

Summary of Business License Research

Counties	Which Dept Issues Business Licenses?	Fees charged & \$4 remitted to the State (Note 1)	Software used?	Any exclusions from the License & Fee?	Billing Cycle?
Alameda County	Business License Unit Division	\$20 initially, credited back at renewal.	HdL	Short term rentals excluded, as these are prohibited	Calendar Year, due Jan 15
Butte County	Only in cities, not required in the unincorporated areas.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Rolling. Issue renewal 45 days before expiration
Calaveras County	Tax Collector	\$83/\$89.25 and \$20 at renewal. Renew by Feb 28, \$29, by April 30, \$45.	Central Square	Ag businesses excluded	Calendar. Mail renewals in Jan, due Feb 28.
Humboldt County	Tax Collector/Treasurer	\$74-425 range Storefront: \$425, homebased or mobile: \$230/317, or \$74-153 for "special" such as booth space in a hair salon.	HdL	No exclusions	Rolling
Placer County	Tax Collector/Treasurer	\$111 home based/\$131 commercial initially, \$20 at renewal.	HdL	No exclusions	Rolling
Sacramento County	Dept of Finance, Tax Collection & Licensing	\$244.35-3 Yr General Bus Lic. \$221.36- 1 Yr Spec Bus Lic. \$521.28 1 Yr Tobacco. \$18 late fee for late renewal	Accela	Apartments, Financial institutions that pay State in-lieu tax, and Ag bus if sold onsite	Rolling. Notified 45 days in advance of expiration.
San Joaquin County	Auditor -Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector	\$608.76, \$104 renewal. \$10 late fee for late renewals	Accela	No exclusions	Rolling
San Luis Obispo County	Tax Collector/Treasurer/Auditor Office	\$45 initially, \$33 on renewal	HdL	exempt businesses already licensed by the State	Rolling. 45 days notice in advance of expiration.
Stanislaus County	Tax Collector	\$146 for 3Yr, \$10 late fee.	Custom built	No exclusions	Rolling. 60 days notice.
Yuba County	Tax Collector/Treasurer	Varies by type. Appears to be \$200-300 range (check this further)	unknown	unknown	unknown
Cities					
City of Grass Valley	Outsourced to HdL (Note 2)	\$63-378 range depending upon # of employees. Prorated by month of app.	HdL	No exclusions	Calendar year. First year is prorated.
Nevada City	Finance Dept.	\$130-160 range <10 EE's, \$200 if >10. Offers 1 year and 3 year license, w/5% discount for 3YR	Manually, but switching to Accela	No exclusions, but do use fee waivers	Calendar year. First year is prorated.
Town of Truckee*	Not required	n/a	Excel	No exclusions (check this)	n/a

NOTES: (1) All jurisdictions indicated that they remit the \$4 to the State, however Sacramento County states they remit 10%, and the remaining 90% goes into an "Accessibility Compliance Fund"

(2) HdL is both a tax collections software, and an outsourced business solution for end to end management.

* The Town of Truckee has engaged the Truckee Chamber to create a business landscape program. This has been a struggle and isn't working quite as hoped. The Chamber is eagerly waiting to see how Nevada County handles this going forward.