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Useful Web sites and Links by Keyword / Category

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Small business info sites

<http://www.asbdc-us.org/#reference> // their main web page.

Just as an example for the state ND:

<http://www.ndsbdc.org/about/default.asp?ID=321> // North Dakota Small Business Development Center (every state has one) – you may get a free and individual consultation

<http://www.ndsbdc.org/about/> // North Dakota Small Business Development Center (SBDC), just as an example every state has one of these; they typically offer free business advising

www.sba.gov/sbds // Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

<http://www.score.org/mentors> // Non profit organization for developing small businesses. E-mail mentoring. (I never got a reply to my e-mails, however).

www.corporate.com // Information about corporations

Small business info sites ... registration

http://www.diybizplan.com/Business_Registration_Overview/

http://www.diybizplan.com/Business_Legal_Structure_with_Single_Owner

http://www.diybizplan.com/Business_Legal_Structure_with_Multiple_Owners

<http://www.nd.gov/businessreg/> // Business registration in ND, any state has this kind of web site, I guess.

Consider this link as an example.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sMCEavypBgg> // Home based business

<http://www.uspto.gov/main/trademaks.html> // Trademark search, is the company name you plan to use available?

<https://secure.apps.state.nd.us/sc/busnsrch/busnSearch.htm> // ND Business record search. (Company name available?) That is a sublink on the business registration site for ND. Similar web sites can be found for any state, I guess. Consider it as an example.

<http://tess2.uspto.gov/bin/gate.exe?f=tess&state=4007:unalgv.1.1> // see above

Web stuff

Web stuff... web site design/browser

www.99designs.com // There are basically endless web design services available. Consider this link as an example.

www.odesk.com // see above

www.mozilla.com/firefox // free web browser

www.google.com/analytics // add statistics analysis to your web site for free, your web host may offer similar features

www.google.com/webmasters/tools/ // check it out

Web stuff... domain registration

www.Godaddy.com // domain registrar in the U.S., the domain registration is often part of hosting packages

www.Registar.com // domain registrar

www.Networksolutions.com // domain registrar

Web stuff... hosting

<http://www.comparewebhosts.com/> // webhost search – there are 10th of 100th of these sites just an example
www.hostgator.com // webhost, webhost often provide shopping carts and features to enhance visibility
www.bluehost.com // webhost
www.hostmonster.com // webhost
<http://www.ixwebhosting.com/hosting-plans/> // webhost
www.bluehost.com
www.webhostingpad.com
<http://www.hosting-review.com/>

Web stuff... shopping carts

<http://www.bestshoppingcartreviews.com/content/find-best-shopping-cart.html> // how to find the best shopping cart?
www.PayPal.com // Most popular on-line shopping system, good for the startup
<https://accounts.google.com/> // Google checkout
<https://checkout.google.com/sell?gl=US&hl=en> // Google checkout
<http://code.google.com/apis/checkout/articles.html> // Google checkout - help files
<http://www.toodledo.com/info/help.php?sel=36> // What is the difference between google checkout and PayPal?
<http://ecommercesoftwarereviews.blogspot.com/2009/08/PayPal-vs-google-check-out.html> // What is the difference between google checkout and PayPal ?
<http://oscommerce.com/> // Free (?) shopping cart software
www.Checkout.google.com // Simple shopping cart for single item purchases
www.Smallbusiness.yahoo.com/ecommerce // Simple shopping cart
www.1shoppingcart.com // Full fetched shopping carts
www.WebAssist.com // Full fetched shopping carts
www.cartweaver.com // Full fetched shopping carts
<http://www.qbaroo.com/> // No merchant account required, but quite expensive for my taste

Web stuff... free scripts

www.scriptarchive.com // Free scripts for adding a web mail form, password protection, or counters to your web site, see example below
<http://www.zubrag.com/scripts/> // Free scripts
<http://www.zubrag.com/forum/index.php/topic,45.0.html> // Free scripts, example

Tax

www.irs.gov // See publication 334 “tax guide for small businesses” and publication 17
<http://www.irs.gov/publications/p334/index.html>
www.taxcut.com // Tax software – I would rather ask a professional to run your taxes, even if it costs you a little
www.turbotax.intuit.com // Tax software
<http://infotaxsquare.com/sales-tax-service.htm> // Sales tax permit
<http://www.nd.gov/tax/misc/faq/salesanduse/index.html> // Sales tax permit for ND, any state has this kind of site, I guess
<http://www.nd.gov/tax/misc/faq/salesanduse/index.html#ven1>
<http://www.nd.gov/tax/salesanduse/electfiling/> // Filing sales tax online, this is the site for ND, but most states will have one.
<http://findaccountingsoftware.com/> // Software list including specialized businesses
<http://www.cnet.com/> // Software/hardware reviews

Insurance. Liability, etc. (good luck with that)

<http://www.businessinsurancenow.com/>

<http://www.microsoft.com/business/en-us/resources/finance/business-insurance/protect-your-business-7-types-of-insurance-coverage.aspx?fbid=8Mr0M-nC1T> // Description of insurance types

<http://www.netquote.com/business-insurance/> // ← Online quotes

<http://www.iii.org/>

<http://www.workerscompensation.com/> // With links for each state. (Required if you have employees.)

<http://www.everymanbusiness.com/search.php?q=Business+Insurance>

<http://businessinsure.about.com/od/liabilityinsurance/a/prodliains.htm>

<http://www.products-liability-insurance.com/sample-quotes.php>

<http://www.products-liability-insurance.com/>

products@sadlerco.com

Product testing

<http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/IBID/product-development-assistance>

<http://www.ndsu.edu/ime/>

http://www.imrtest.com/what_we_do/product-testing-services/

Product Liability Attorney

<http://www.ndakotalaw.com/PracticeAreas/Product-Liability.asp>

http://www.northdakotapersonalinjurylawyers.com/dangerous_defective_products.html

<http://www.lawyers.com/Products-Liability/North-Dakota/All-Cities/law-firms.html?N=0&r=0&sort=0>

Misc.

<http://www.w3schools.com/> // Learning basic HTML

<http://www.avery.com/> // Templates for self-made business cards

<http://www.cknow.com/cms/articles/why-do-i-see-this-web-site-does-not-supply-ownership-information-in-my-browser.html>

// ... are certified web sites important?

Advertisement

<http://pages.EBay.com/sellerinformation/video/photovideo.html> // Video about low budget but professional looking product images

Shipping

<https://store.usps.com/store/> // You can get free shipping boxes, etc.

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