

## Leverage Your Buying Power with Section 179!

Section 179 was designed with businesses in mind and makes purchasing qualified equipment or software during this calendar year financially attractive.

Section 179 of the IRS tax code allows businesses to deduct the full purchase price of qualifying equipment or software purchased or financed during the tax year. That means that if you buy (or lease) qualifying equipment or software, you can deduct the FULL PURCHASE PRICE from your gross income. An increasingly popular use of the IRS §179 Deduction is for software.

**2011 Deduction Limit** - \$500,000 Good on new and used equipment, including new software.

### What Software Qualifies?

**For basic eligibility, the software must meet all of the following general specifications:**

1. The software must be purchased outright by you or be financed by qualified loans or leases.
2. The software must be used in your business or income-producing activity.
3. The software must have a determinable useful life.
4. The software must be expected to last more than one year.

**In addition, these three specific stipulations must be met:**

1. The software must be readily available for purchase by the general public.
2. The software must be subject to a non-exclusive license.
3. The software must not have been substantially modified.

It includes any program designed to cause a computer to perform a desired function. However, a database or similar item is not considered computer software unless it is in the public domain and is incidental to the operation of otherwise qualifying software.

In other words, if the core software is standardized, a small amount of customization is fine

**Please keep in mind that to qualify for the Section 179 Deduction, the software must be purchased and put into use between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011.**

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