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INFORMATION FOR NEW BUSINESSES

To obtain a City Business License, an application must be submitted with the requirements for the specific type of business. Businesses located in Gulf Shores will be required to obtain approval from Zoning, Building and the Fire Marshal's office.

CONTRACTORS

All contractors certified with a State Board listed below must supply a copy of their Certification. Also, general contractors must supply original \$5,000 Business License Bond.

Alabama Contractors Licensing Board	800-356-6361	www.genconbd.state.al.us
Alabama Home Builders Licensure Board	800-304-0853	www.hblb.state.al.us
Alabama Heating and & Air Conditioning Board	866-855-1912	www.hvacboard.state.al.us
Alabama Electrical Contractors Board	334-269-9990	www.aecb.state.al.us
Alabama Plumbers & Gas Fitters Board	205-945-4857	www.pgfb.state.al.us
Alabama Dept of Agriculture and Industries (Landscaping)	800-642-7761	www.agi.alabama.gov

BUSINESSES SERVING FOOD

A copy of your food permit issued by the Health Department is required before applying for a City business license.

Baldwin County Health Department	251-947-3618	www.adph.org
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BUSINESSES SERVING ALCOHOL

Contact the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to apply for a state liquor license prior to making application to the City. Allow a minimum of 30 days after submitting application to the City for processing.

Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control	251-947-2971	www.alabcboard.gov
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SALES & USE TAX

Business selling merchandise in Gulf Shores are required to charge a total of 10% (8.5% in the police jurisdiction) sales tax (4% State, 3% County, 1.5% [P.J.] or 3 City). Returns must be filed separately to the State, County and City. State and City returns can be filed online - go to Alabama Department of Revenue Website for more information.

Alabama Department of Revenue - Sales & Use Tax	866-576-6531	www.myalabamataxes.alabama.gov/
Baldwin County Sales & Use Tax Office	251-943-5061	www.co.baldwin.al.us
City of Gulf Shores Revenue Division	251-968-2426	www.gulforesal.gov

LODGING TAX

Homes and condos rented less than 180 consecutive days in Gulf Shores are required to charge a total of 16% (11% in the Police Jurisdiction) lodging tax (4% State, 2% County, 5% [in P.J.] or 10% City). Returns must be filed separately to the State and City, and can be filed online -- go to Alabama Department of Revenue Website for more information.

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OTHER AGENCIES YOU MIGHT NEED TO CONTACT

Alabama Board of Cosmetology	800-815-7453	www.aboc.state.al.us
Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries	800-642-7761	www.agi.alabama.gov
Alabama Real Estate Commission	334-242-5544	www.arec.alabama.gov
Alabama Massage Therapy Board	334-269-9990	www.almtbd.state.al.us
Alabama Department of Revenue	251-344-4737	www.myalabamataxes.alabama.gov/
Baldwin County Business Licenses	251-943-5061	www.co.baldwin.al.us
Baldwin County Zoning Department	251-943-5611	www.planning.co.baldwin.al.us