

ENTREPRENEUR SELF TEST

The *Entrepreneur Self-Test* consists of three sections: motivation, capacity, and support.

Motivation

Evaluate your overall motivation to start and operate your own business. Score on a 1 to 10 scale, where 10 indicates strong agreement with the statement and 1 indicates little or no agreement with the statement.

- () Perceive Opportunities - I am constantly seeing business opportunities or ideas that have potential commercial value.
- () Growth Oriented - I like growing or building business, or taking ideas and make something of them.
- () Creative - I am creative and I am regularly coming up with new ideas on how to do things better or more efficiently.
- () Innovative - I am innovative and I am able to find solutions to challenges and problems.
- () Resourceful - I am resourceful and I am able to find solutions to challenges and problems.
- () Dynamic - I am a dynamic person providing vision, hope and energy to those I am working and partnering with.
- () Hard Working - I am a hard working person and I do what it takes to succeed.
- () Flexible - I am flexible and I am able to adapt to changes and surprises quickly and successfully.
- () Risk Tolerant - I am risk tolerant and I am able to successfully manage risk associated with creating and growing a business.
- () Open to Learning - I thrive on learning and I am constantly seeking out new information that can help me with my business.
- () Competitive - I am motivated by success and driven to do well.
- () Collaborative - I believe in working with others who can help me make my dream a reality.

Capacity

Evaluate your capacity related to the following business skills. Consider not only your own capacities, but also the capacities of the other members of your management team. Rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 10 with 1 being no capacity and 10 being high capacity.

- () Ability to assess market opportunities.
- () Ability to develop products or services.
- () Ability to provide products or services.
- () Marketing and communications capacity.
- () Fiscal management.
- () Ability to acquire financial capital.
- () Personnel or team development and management.
- () Ability to develop and sustain partnerships.
- () Quality control.

Evaluate your ability to network and partner with other organizations and individuals. Score on a 1 to 10 scale where 10 indicates strong agreement with the statement and 1 indicates little or no agreement with the statement.

- () I am comfortable seeking out information from others.
- () I regularly network with others to gain information for my business.
- () I have an extensive resource network that I am constantly building.
- () I am comfortable with partnerships.
- () I have two or more partnerships associated with my business.
- () I have learned how to deal with the challenges of partnering with others.

Support

Evaluate the level of support you feel from your family and community as you pursue your business opportunities. Score on a 1 to 10 scale where 10 indicates strong agreement with the statement and 1 indicates little or no agreement with the statement.

- () I am challenged and happy in my work building a business.
- () I believe there is good balance between my work and my personal life.
- () My family and friends are supportive of my work and encouraging to me.
- () My community is supportive of me and my business undertakings.
- () My community is actively helping me build my business.

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