Application of Section 199A - 20% Business Deduction



(1) <u>W-2 Wages</u> = Employee wages subject to withholding (including owner), elective deferrals, and deferred compensation paid by the qualified trade or business entity.

(2) <u>Deduction</u> = Lesser of: 1) QBI x 20% <u>OR</u> 2) Taxable Income less net capital gains x 20%

(3) <u>Deduction</u> = Same calculation as (4) below but multiply <u>Applicable %</u> by both the W-2 limitation***(if applies) <u>AND</u> all (QBI * 20%) references in the formula. If the W-2 Limitation is greater than QBI * 20%, the deduction calculation is simply <u>Applicable %</u> x QBI * 20% (2). (i.e. Formula in RED is N/A).

Applicable % = 100% - [Taxable Income - \$315K MFJ (\$157.5K all others) / \$100,000 MFJ (\$50K all others)]

(4) Deduction = QBI * 20% - [Taxable Income - \$315K MFJ (\$157.5K all others) x [(QBI * 20%) - W-2 Wage Limitation***]]

\$100,000 MFJ (\$50K all others)

****Note:** If W-2 Wage Limitation ("3a" or "3b" in above orange square) > QBI * 20%, deduction calculation is simply QBI * 20% (2) (Formula in RED is N/A).

(3) <u>Example</u>: Single T/P has taxable income of \$167,500, QBI of \$120,000 (*service*) and entity W-2 Wages of \$40,000. The "Red Formula" will apply since QBI * 20% is greater than the W-2 limitation (\$120,000 * 20% = \$24,000 > \$40,000 * 50% = \$20,000). The Applicable % is calculated as 100% - [10,000/50,000)] = <u>80%</u>. Therefore, the deduction calculation is: (120K QBI * 20% * 80%) - [((167.5K - 157.5K) / 50K) * ((120K * 20% * 80%)) - (40K * 50% * 80%))] = \$18,560 QBI deduction (full deduction was reduced by \$5,440). Note: If wages were \$50,000, the deduction would just be QBI * 20%(2) x Applicable % (\$120,000 * 20% * 80% = \$19,200) since the W-2 limitation is higher than QBI * 20% (\$50,000 * 50% = \$25,000 > \$24,000).

4) <u>Example:</u> Single T/P has taxable income of \$167,500, QBI of \$120,000 (*non service*) and entity W-2 Wages of \$40,000. The "Red Formula" will apply since QBI * 20% is greater than the W-2 limitation (\$120,000 * 20% = \$24,000 > \$40,000 * 50% = \$20,000). Therefore, the deduction calculation is: (\$120K * 20%) - [((167.5K - 157.5K) / 50K) * ((120K * 20%) - (40K * 50%))] = \$23,200 QBI deduction (full deduction was reduced by \$800). Note: If wages were \$50,000, the deduction would be QBI * 20%(2) (\$120,000 * 20% = \$24,000) since the W-2 limitation is higher than QBI * 20% (\$50,000 * 50% = \$25,000 > \$24,000).