



Client Onboarding Checklist

Welcome

- Provide a client intake form.
- Send basic information about your business (like office and help desk hours, information on how to access client accounts and settings, instructions on changing billing information, etc).
- Enter your client into a special email drip campaign that provides initial and ongoing information that may be important.

Legal

- Send non-disclosure agreements (NDAs).
- Include a service contract.

Financial

- Send or request tax forms (you may need to send clients a W-9 if you are in the United States).
- Add client information to your accounting and invoicing software.
- Document project-based estimates and/or ongoing hourly rates.
- Provide banking information to your client for ACH payments.
- Ask the client to put a card on file for automatic invoice payments.
- Prompt the client to sign up for a subscription service.

Communication and Project Management

- Add the client to your project management software, Slack channel, or other collaboration software (or join theirs).
- Create initial project and list of tasks.
- Assign tasks and add due dates.
- Configure labels for client emails.
- Create a schedule for project-related calls.
- Determine project leads and other points of contact within your business and on the client's team, so conversations are directed at the correct individuals.

File sharing

- Share files with your client through their account on your website, a file sharing platform like Google Drive, or a secure third-party client portal software.
- Add your client and relevant team members to the file sharing environment.
- Request files from your client (e.g. brand guidelines, image assets, templates, and inspiration references).