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Thoughtful Digital Strategy

Back-To-Business Website Audit Checklist

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Accuracy

Make sure every piece of information is current and consistent.

- O Verify your business name, address, and phone are correct.
- O Check your "Contact Me" works (send yourself a test)
- O Update hours of operation across your site & Google Profile
- O Confirm service lists or menus reflect what you currently offer
- O Update pricing so it reflects current rates
- O Remove reference to past promotions or events
- O Make sure your footer has updated copyright year and links

Speed

A slow site loses visitors.

- O Use Google PageSpeed Insights or GTMetrix to test load times
- O Compress large images that are slowing pages down
- O Limit autoplay videos or sliders on your homepage
- O Remove unused plugins or apps
- O Enable browser caching / lazy loading if available
- O Check speed on Wi-Fi vs. cellular data
- O Ensure your hosting plan isn't too small for your traffic

Mobile Friendly

Your site should be seamless on a phone.

- O Open your site on your phone & tablet and scroll every page
- O Check if text is readable without zooming
- O Ensure buttons are large enough to tap with one finger
- O Test your navigation menu
- O Try filling out a form. Is it easy to type and submit?
- O Check if images resize properly or cut off awkwardly
- O Test embedded content (maps, videos, etc.) for responsiveness.

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Freshness

A fresh, active site signals trust and relevance.

- O Updated homepage text to reflect current season or focus
- O Replace dated photos with current, high-quality images
- O Scan blog/news pages and add or update at least one post
- O Refresh team bios or "About" info
- O Remove mentions of past years/events
- O Add a new testimonial, case study, or portfolio item
- O Update social media feeds/widgets if embedded

Clear Calls to Action

Guide your visitors where you want them to go.

- O Make sure every page has one clear next step (book, call, buy, email)
- O Use action language
- O Make buttons stand out with clear color and size
- O Ensure your contact forms work and your phone number is clickable on mobile
- O Add booking links or calendars
- O Place CTAs above the fold so they are visible without scrolling
- O Avoid overwhelming with too many CTAs per page

Searchability

Be findable where people look.

- O Google your business name to see what comes up first.
- O Check consistency across Google,
- Yelp, Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.
- O Search for your primary service + city. Do you appear?
- O Update your Google Business Profile (photos, posts, Q&A)
- O Verify your site metadata are clear and rich
- O Add alt text to images
- O Make sure your domain is HTTPS-secured (SSL)

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