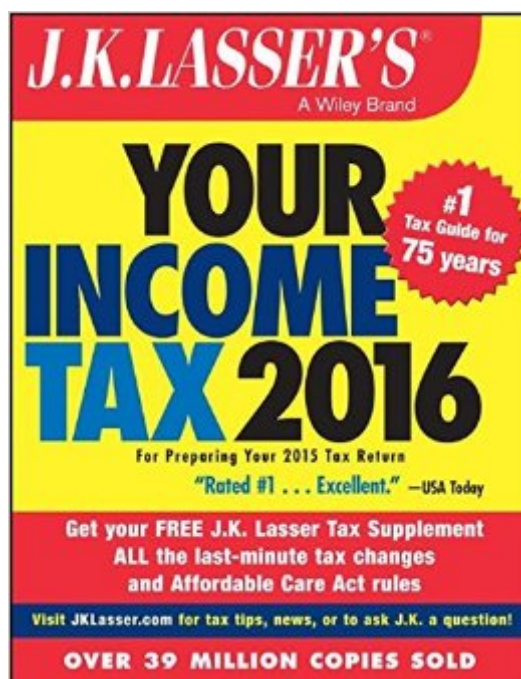


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# J.K. Lasser's Your Income Tax 2016: For Preparing Your 2015 Tax Return



## Synopsis

Prepare your 2015 taxes with ease! J.K. Lasser's *Your Income Tax 2016: For Preparing Your 2015 Tax Return* is a bestselling tax reference that has been trusted by taxpayers for over seventy-five years. Updated to reflect the changes to the 2015 tax code, this authoritative text offers step-by-step instructions that guide you through the worksheets and forms you need to file your taxes according to the best tax strategy for your financial situation. Approachable yet comprehensive, this highly-regarded resource offers tax-saving advice on maximizing deductions and sheltering income, and provides hundreds of examples of how up to date tax laws apply to individual taxpayers. Additionally, special features inserted throughout the text highlight important concepts, such as new tax laws, IRS rulings, court decisions, filing pointers, and planning strategies. Tax laws change each year, and it is critical that you choose a trusted reference when updating your understanding of current tax codes. This highly-regarded text features the updated information you are looking for, as well as the fundamental best practices you need to confidently and accurately file your taxes in 2016. Review the most recent tax law changes, ensuring that your tax preparation strategy is in line with legal requirements. Explore over 2,500 tax-saving tips that maximize your return by making the most of available deductions, sheltering income, and more. Access free supplemental materials encompassing the tax forms you need to file. Leverage a comprehensive topic index and quick reference section to quickly pinpoint specific information and expedite the tax preparation process. J.K. Lasser's *Your Income Tax 2016: For Preparing Your 2015 Tax Return* is an essential text that guides you in preparing and filing your tax return with confidence.

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\*Note: This is specifically for the Kindle edition. I own a kindle fire 1st gen. The book itself--meaning the content--seems fantastic. The problem is that the Kindle edition leaves something to be desired. Unfortunately, the tables are a little bit off and for some reason I have to swipe through the same page more than 10 times to get it to move to the actual next page. The first time it did this, I thought, "Meh...these things happen in book conversions." But, this multi-swiping of pages has happened roughly six or seven times already, and I'm only on the third chapter. It has made reading the book a bit of a chore, something that I'm sure the author never intended. It is probably a better idea to get the old-fashioned paper copy until this gets worked out. I do believe it is worth investing in the book. In the meantime, I'm hoping will allow me a paper copy.

OK for general tax knowledge. However, says an e-supplement available on their website [...] with updated tax developments since publication. However, can only find 2015 supplement (for tax year 2014) posted on site, not 2016. Since many Federal tax law extensions were passed in December, without this update, publication usefulness is questionable for many situations. Other publishers have updates available- may want to check this before ordering.

I'm a tax professional. There is no better inexpensive tool than this to answer 90% of tax questions, even some fairly complicated ones. I've been using it for 3 decades. Just don't tell my clients that I pay so little for quality answers! It's a trade secret.

I bought to this to use for an enrolled agent online CPE course, it was the first time I purchased one of these books and it was quite good. I used to get the Pub 17 free from the IRS office each year, but they quit printing them out and only have the online version, and to me the book is more convenient to use. Next year I plan on getting the small business income tax edition.

Great book. Pro's it has MOST everything you could need to assist you through this joyous annual ritual we go through. CON'S: It doesn't seem to go through the most important part I was looking for in detail. Dot transportation and deductions. Any other Dot employees who can point me in the right direction. If K.K. Lasser's is monitoring this perhaps you could lead me int the right direction.

I would not have dared do my 2015 taxes without the 2016 Lasser's because I have used these things for nearly twenty years. Every year, the IRS has a ton of esoteric changes in the tax code that no normal person who is not a tax professional could even start to remember, maybe even understand, and apply. The 2016 Lasser's, like every year's, stays completely on top of those changes, explains them in a way that even laypeople can understand, and even gives a lot of helpful example scenarios. This year, we had some changes to our tax situation that made it more complicated, but the 2016 has an excellently usable and thorough index, so I was able to look up the answers to all my questions. If the Lasser's did not answer my specific question directly, it did a good job of explaining analogous situations so that I found it easy to extrapolate the answers to ours. Many years ago, a tax professional told me that the J. K. Lasser's is sort of the industry's dirty little secret and that many, maybe even most, keep a copy of it out of sight behind their desks, and even they consult it. That seemed a pretty good endorsement to me, and as they have through the years, the 2016 version has again proved its worth (not to mention its value--inexpensive PLUS has saved me a lot of money in taxes!). If your tax picture is truly simple or if you just file a 1040 EZ, then no, you probably will not have much use for this, but if your picture is at all complicated, I recommend it.

Disappointing. I purchased this when I was had questions while using Turbo Tax and based on all of the reviews I read here I thought this book would be helpful. Much of what I found in this book was already available for free online with a little bit of easy searching, or was already clearly explained in various IRS publications which are also available for free. I also didn't like how the contents of the book were laid out, and while I have no problem with technical or archaic subjects like learning the basics of the tax code, this book really didn't answer the few remaining questions I had as clearly as I needed them answered. The sections on tax deductions for vehicle mileage and state sales tax exemptions left me particularly disappointed. I actually have a case of buyers remorse over purchasing this book. It's just not all that it's made out to be, and their tips and suggestions didn't help me much either. In short, it's overhyped and I have no intent of purchasing the 2017 edition.

Seems useless to review a book already out of date. However, each year income tax is due and this book has been my great go-to reference sine way back in the 70s. I was referred to Lasser's income tax book by a retired corporate accountant. Ever since I get one each year even though I can now download everything from the IRS and read it on my PC or print it (and cost more in ink and paper than the price of the book), but I cannot not make notes or underline or otherwise find things quickly

using digital media. So even in the age of supposedly all things digital this book is well worth the cost. Using this book I have yet to have a problem with itemizing my taxes or accounting for special tax requirements.

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