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Data Entry As A Telecommuting Career

By Nell Taliercio

Telecommuting jobs are becoming more popular and easier to do with the internet. Data entry, which is simply inputting and organizing information for the company in spreadsheets or databases, is a growing field for telecommuters.

Where to find Data Entry Jobs:

There are several reputable job searches on-line that will have listings. Look in your local want ads as well. It pays to do your research before getting involved with any company. The Better Business Bureau is a good resource to check for complaints. There are also many telemarketing forums where the members share information on which companies to be wary of and which have good reputations.

Before you apply for a job, take time to create a good resume to present yourself as a professional, self-motivated worker. Find out what kind of skills they are looking for before applying and emphasize the ones that are your strongest areas.

Skills you need:

You should have excellent typing skills, not only for standard touch-typing, but for the numeric keys (referred to as 10 key) at the right side of the keyboard. There are many on-line typing tests where you can check your speed and accuracy. A good average to aim for is 60 wpm (although some may only require 30 wpm) with little to no errors.

Tools you need:

There are a few software programs you should be familiar with, such as spreadsheets, databases and word processors. Many companies have preferred software. Most will probably use Microsoft, or compatible, programs. A reliable computer is a must and a high-speed connection is probably best.

How much money can you make?

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An average rate of pay is \$8.00 an hour to start, although you may be offered a 'per item' rate instead.

Many companies will have a set pay rate, but if you're able to set your own rate, or bid on a job, research the going rate, so you can be competitive. Don't forget that the company's physical location could affect the pay rate, due to the cost of living in those areas.

If a company does not require a W-2, you will have to pay your own taxes, as you will be considered a freelance worker. You have probably heard this over and over, but it bears repeating: never pay for a job. If a company requires a fee up front, it is probably a job finding service at best, a scam at worst.

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Is there no real Data Entry Opportunities Online today?

By Vipul gupta

Hi Friend,

Its has been 4 years since I started my

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home business. As like most

of new home business seekers I started it looking for a Data Entry Job - and like 98% of them I ended up in a Scam losing \$50 in the process. Well the amount may not seem to be much but the experience I gained from it was priceless - "If anything seems too good to be true, it most probably is".

Now a days the internet is all covered up with getting paid for Data Entry Scams - anywhere you look you will encounter an add saying "Make \$1000 per day from the comfort of your home working just 30 Mins a day". To a bit experienced people it is a sure shot call of a Scam but to online newbies like me 4 years ago it looked like the best opportunity I could come across. I am not saying that such programs do not work. Sometimes they do. Here is a brief dexcription how they work –

What they do is they will take a one time fee from you to give a tutorial to you explaining how to post similar ads like those you responded to online. The catch is you sell on their behalf and may make money - or you may not! And also it's quick money and not a long term security.

So now, answering the question - If there are still

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genuine legitimate online data entry jobs out there - I would say yes there are! But you will have to know the right place to look for it. The best place to begin are free lance opportunities. There are places like Elance and Contracted Work which posts the requirement of people who require data entry operators on contract basis and there is always a legitimate Data Entry Job available there! Start from such places and once you get some recognition requests just come pouring in. Who knows you may also start your own successful data entry company some day!!! All you have to do is just hang in to it.

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