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2026 INCOME

Paid on a 1099?
The $400 rule decides if you file

The number that matters isn't on your 1099. It's your profit after business expenses.

THE RULE	SCHEDULE SE
File if net self-employment earnings reach Even if you owe no income tax	$400
Profit after expenses, in practice Net earnings = 92.35% of profit	~$434
Self-employment tax rate 12.4% Social Security + 2.9% Medicare	15.3%
Example: $10,000 of profit Before income tax	~$1,413

KEY DATES	2026 INCOME
4th 2026 estimated payment Federal, NJ and NY	Jan. 15, 2027
Payers send Form 1099-NEC For 2026 pay of $2,000 or more	Feb. 1, 2027
Form 1040 + Schedules C and SE NJ-1040 and NY IT-201 too	Apr. 15, 2027
Estimates if you expect to owe Federal. NJ: over $400. NY: $300 or more	$1,000+

NOT THE FILING RULE

$2,000
Form 1099-NEC
When a payer must send you a form for 2026.

$20,000
Form 1099-K
And more than 200 transactions, for apps.

No form?
Still report it
All income counts, with or without a 1099.

Now
Set money aside
No one withholds tax from 1099 pay.

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