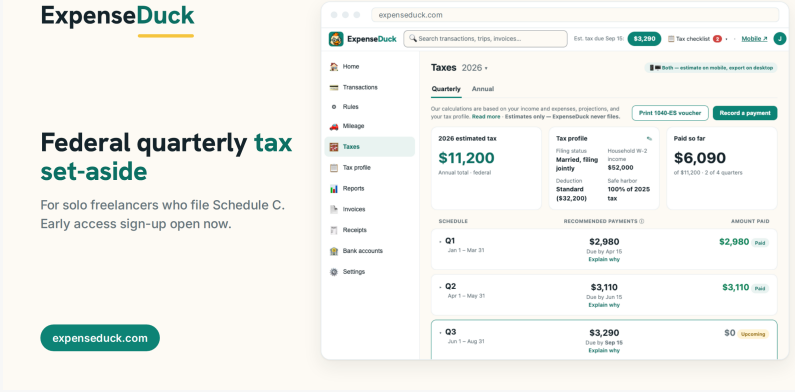
ExpenseDuck Opens Early Access Sign-Up for Former QuickBooks Self-Employed Users

ExpenseDuck imports QuickBooks Self-Employed transactions and mileage and shows a federal quarterly tax set-aside; Q3 2026 estimated taxes are due Sept. 15.



ExpenseDuck's federal quarterly tax set-aside for a Schedule C freelancer.

LITTLETON, CO, UNITED STATES, September 10, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- ExpenseDuck, a bookkeeping and federal tax estimate app for solo freelancers who file Schedule C, opened early access sign-up today, with early access beginning October 1 ahead of an October 2026 public launch. It imports QuickBooks Self-Employed transactions and mileage, shows a federal quarterly tax set-aside, and costs $14.99 a month after a 30-day free trial, as published on expenseduck.com.

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> *Dave Rodenbaugh, founder of ExpenseDuck*

The timing follows the IRS calendar. Estimated tax payments for 2026 fall on four dates, according to IRS Form 1040-ES for 2026: April 15, June 15, September 15, and January 15, 2027. The third-quarter payment is the one due September 15, 2026. Individuals, including sole proprietors, generally have to make estimated payments if they expect to owe $1,000 or more when they file, according to the IRS estimated taxes page.

The app is aimed at former users of QuickBooks Self-Employed, often shortened to QBSE. Intuit's help article "Introduction to QuickBooks Solopreneur," updated August 5, 2026 and read on September 2, 2026, says that for new customers the QuickBooks Self-Employed mobile app "is no longer available for download after March 24, 2024." The same article points new customers to QuickBooks Solopreneur and tells existing subscribers they "can still continue your subscription."

Two kinds of data come across from QuickBooks Self-Employed: transactions and mileage. Invoices, clients and receipts do not come across, because QuickBooks Self-Employed does not export them. The company's guide to moving from QuickBooks Self-Employed to ExpenseDuck covers what transfers, what does not, and how long the move takes. The company is not affiliated with Intuit, QuickBooks or TurboTax.

The app records business drives automatically at the IRS standard mileage rate, which for 2026 is 72.5 cents a mile through June 30 and 76 cents from July 1 under IRS Notice 2026-10 and Announcement 2026-11, and stores the date and route of each drive. It sorts expenses into Schedule C categories and shows why it chose each one. Receipts sent by photo or email get matched to their transactions. Bank feeds bring in new activity. At year end, the app exports a Schedule C. Users can create, send and track invoices, and clients pay the user directly, because the app does not move money.

The federal quarterly estimate includes the minimum payment that avoids an underpayment penalty, and it accounts for household W-2 wages and withholding. The estimate covers federal taxes only. State and local taxes are outside its scope, and the app does not file a return or give tax advice; it produces estimates. It is not double-entry accounting software. It runs in a web browser on a phone or a desktop. iPhone support is coming soon, pending App Store approval.

Sign-up is open now on the ExpenseDuck early access page. Early access opens on October 1, 2026, according to the company; members receive an email that day and start their 30-day free trial ahead of the public launch. The company does not ask for a credit card at any point in the trial. After the trial, the single plan costs $14.99 a month, as published on the ExpenseDuck pricing page.

"I built ExpenseDuck for freelancers left out in the cold when Intuit wound down QuickBooks Self-Employed. Three decades of filing my own Schedule C taught me what they lose and what to build first," said Dave Rodenbaugh, founder of ExpenseDuck.

Dave Rodenbaugh is a serial entrepreneur and founder of DeductibleDuck and ExpenseDuck, as well as Recapture, an ecommerce email marketing service. A freelancer for more than 30 years who tracks his own Schedule C expenses, he builds and supports all three products from Littleton, Colorado, with a team of three.

Q: When are quarterly taxes due in 2026?

A: IRS Form 1040-ES for 2026 lists four due dates for estimated tax payments: April 15, 2026, June 15, 2026, September 15, 2026, and January 15, 2027. The third-quarter payment is due September 15, 2026. The IRS estimated taxes page adds that a payment due on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday is on time if it is made on the next business day.

Q: Is QuickBooks Self-Employed discontinued?

A: Intuit's help article "Introduction to QuickBooks Solopreneur," read on September 2, 2026, says the QuickBooks Self-Employed mobile app "is no longer available for download after March 24, 2024." The same article points new customers to QuickBooks Solopreneur and says existing subscribers "can still continue your subscription." So new customers cannot download the mobile app, while existing subscribers can keep their subscription, as of that reading.

Q: What app replaced QuickBooks Self-Employed?

A: Intuit points new customers to QuickBooks Solopreneur, according to its help article "Introduction to QuickBooks Solopreneur," read on September 2, 2026. ExpenseDuck is an independent app built for former QuickBooks Self-Employed users. It imports their transactions and mileage, shows a federal quarterly tax set-aside, and is not affiliated with Intuit.

Q: How much should I set aside for taxes as a 1099 freelancer?

A: Enough to cover the federal tax on the year's profit, after any withholding from a household W-2 job. IRS Form 1040-ES for 2026 gives the general rule: payments through the year should reach at least 90 percent of this year's tax, or 100 percent of last year's tax if that is smaller. The 100 percent figure becomes 110 percent when 2025 adjusted gross income was above $150,000 ($75,000 if married filing separately). ExpenseDuck shows that minimum as its federal set-aside and accounts for household W-2 wages and withholding.

Q: Which taxes does ExpenseDuck estimate?

A: Federal taxes only. It shows a federal quarterly set-aside that accounts for household W-2 wages and withholding; state and local taxes are outside its scope.

About ExpenseDuck

ExpenseDuck is a bookkeeping and federal tax estimate app for solo U.S. freelancers who file Schedule C. It records business drives automatically at the IRS mileage rate, sorts expenses into Schedule C categories, matches receipts to transactions, and shows how much to set aside for federal quarterly taxes. It imports transactions and mileage from QuickBooks Self-Employed. ExpenseDuck runs in a web browser on a phone or a desktop and costs $14.99 a month after a 30-day free trial. ExpenseDuck is a trade name of Skyline Consulting, a Littleton, Colorado company that also makes DeductibleDuck. ExpenseDuck is not affiliated with Intuit, QuickBooks or TurboTax. Learn more at https://expenseduck.com.

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