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### Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers

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Muncie, Indiana

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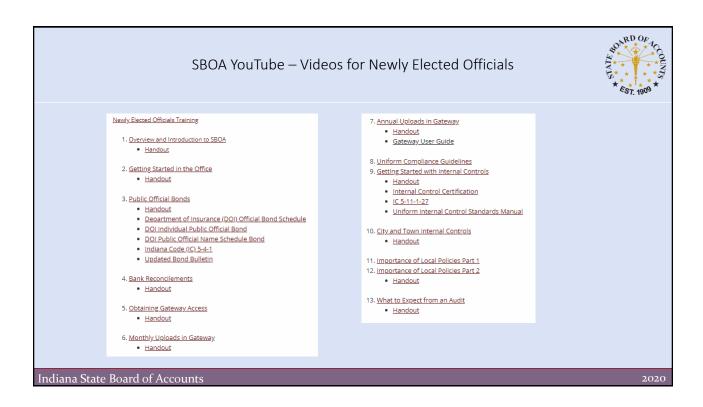


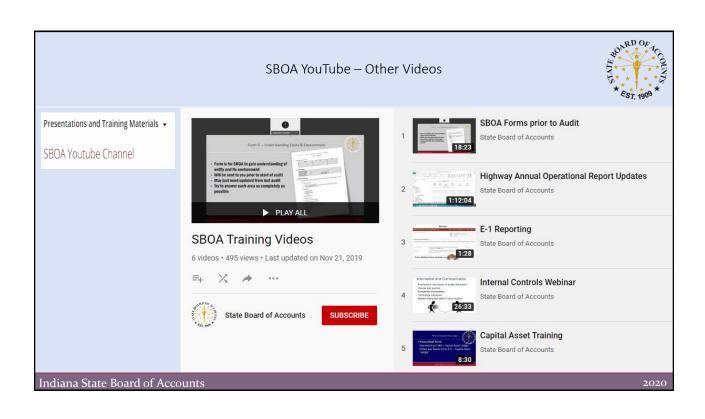
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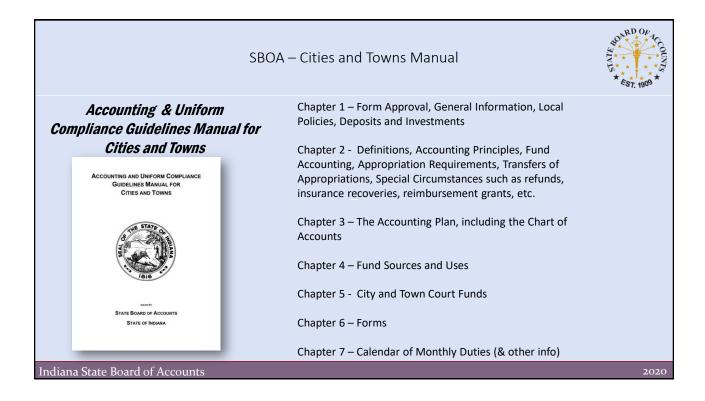
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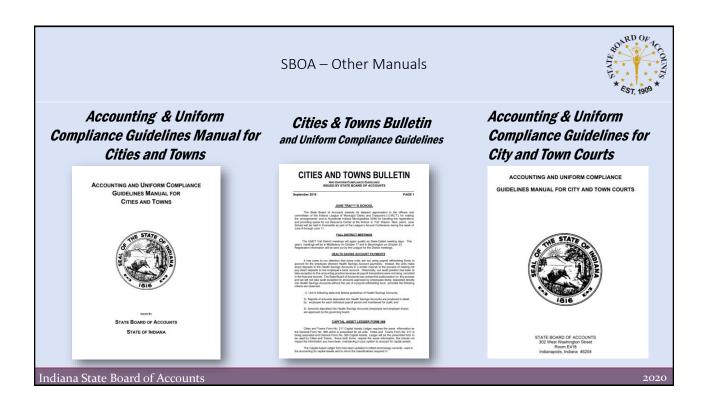
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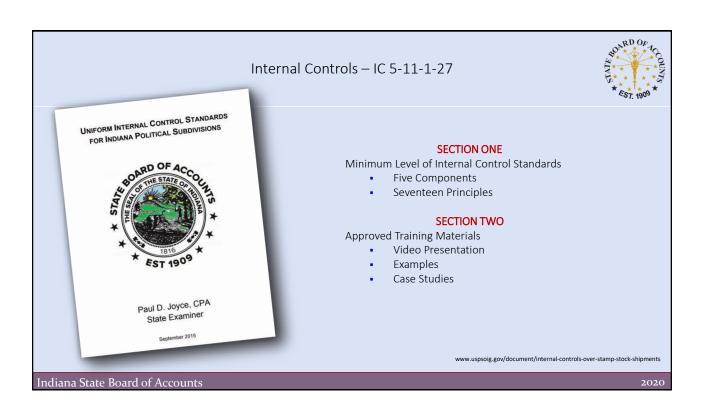












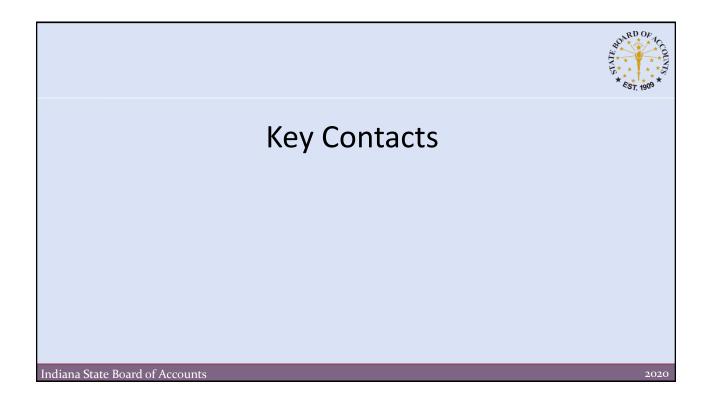
# Internal Control Training • www.in.gov/sboa • Navigate to 'cities' or 'towns' • Scroll down to Internal Control Standards ▼ • Then Training • Find this • Find this Indiana State Board of Accounts Indiana State Board of Accounts

#### State Examiner Directives

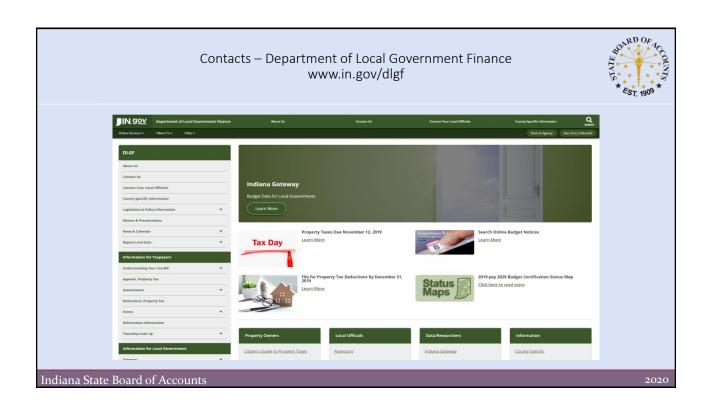


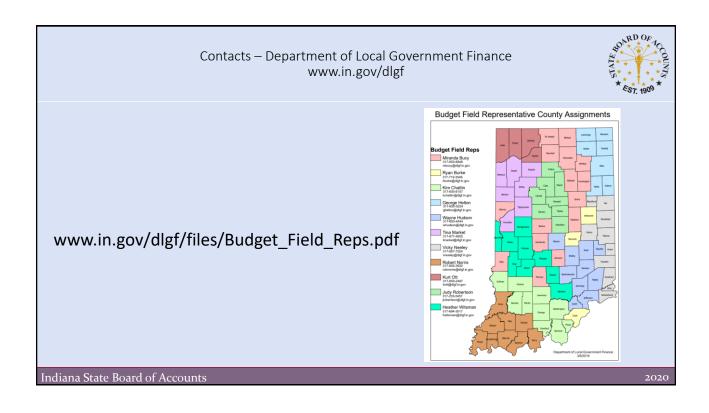
- Eight State Examiner Directives apply to Cities and Towns
- Examples:
  - Accounting for MVH Fund
  - Monthly and Annual Engagement Uploads
  - Moving Traffic Violations
  - Materiality Threshold for reporting irregular variances, losses, shortages, and thefts
  - GAAP Annual Financial Reports
- Located on the Cities or Towns page: www.in.gov/sboa

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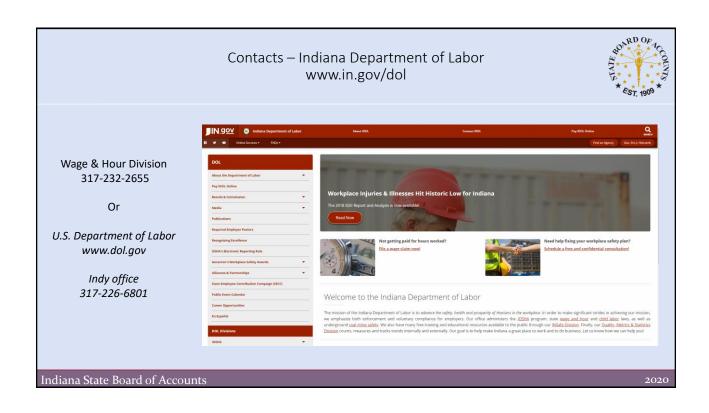














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Official Duties



## Official Duties of the City Clerk, Clerk Treasurer, and Controller

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#### City Clerk & City/Town Fiscal Officer Duties



IC 36-4-10-4

City Clerk: 2<sup>nd</sup> class Cities

IC 36-4-10-4.5

Clerk-Treasurers: 3rd class Cities

IC 36-4-10-5

Controllers: 2<sup>nd</sup> class Cities

IC 36-5-6-6

Clerk-Treasurers: Towns

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#### City/Town Fiscal Officer Duties



#### As a city clerk in a 2<sup>nd</sup> class city, duties include:

- ✓ Serve as clerk of the legislative body
- ✓ Maintain all records required by law
- √ Keep the city seal
- ✓Administer oaths when necessary, without charging a fee
- √ Take depositions, without charging a fee
- √ Take acknowledgements of instruments without charging a fee
- ✓ Serve as clerk of city court (if judge doesn't & doesn't appoint one)

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#### City/Town Fiscal Officer Duties



#### As a city or town fiscal officer, duties include:

- ✓ Receive and care for all city/town money
- √ Keep accounts showing receipts and disbursements
- ✓ Prescribe payroll and account forms for all offices
- ✓ Prescribe the manner in which creditors, officers, and employees are paid
- ✓ Prepare budget estimates

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#### City/Town Fiscal Officer Duties



#### Fiscal officer duties continued:

- ✓ Issue licenses and collect fees fixed by statute or ordinance
- ✓ Serve as clerk of the legislative body (council) by attending meetings & recording its proceedings
- ✓ Serve as clerk of city/town court if
  - Judge does not serve or
  - A court clerk is not appointed by the judge
- ✓ Perform all other duties prescribed by statute

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## What to Expect and How to Prepare for an Audit

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SBOA - An Overview



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> FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT OF TOWN OF BROWNSBURG HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA



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What is the State Board of Accounts?

- Audits the records & accounts of all state and local governmental units
- Prepares reports indicating the financial condition of these units & noting any noncompliance with laws.
- Prescribed uniform system of accounting

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SBOA – Mission Statement



"We are dedicated to providing the citizens of the State of Indiana with complete confidence in the integrity and financial accountability of state and local government."

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#### Goals of the Engagement



#### Financial Statement Opinion

- · Unmodified, or "clean" opinion, lets readers know the information is materially correct
- Modified opinion lets readers know there are issues that need to be taken into consideration when it comes to the information presented

#### Audit Findings - Inform the reader of Noncompliance

- Federal: Section II (Financial Statement Compliance); Section III (Major Program Compliance)
- State: Audit Results and Comments (substantial and impactful to the unit/public)

#### Management Letter

 Noncompliance with State Statute or Uniform Compliance Guidelines (significant, but less than substantial and impactful to the unit/public)

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#### **Initial Contact**



- Initial contact from Field Examiner
- Forms to complete
  - Form 7 Understanding the Design and Implementation of Internal Controls

Form 9 – Understanding the Entity and Its Environment

Form 45 – Understanding of Controls of Significant Audit Areas

Form 13 – Management Oversight of Non Audit Services



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#### SBOA – Work Location



#### **On-site**

#### conducted at city/town offices

#### Off-site

- > conducted at another location
- > "Box audit"

#### **Centralized Remote**

- » Audits conducted at a centralized location
- > Records electronically transmitted to SBOA through Gateway

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#### **Entrance Conference**



#### Who is invited?

Those charged with governance – Council President

Management – Fiscal Officer: Clerk-Treasurer or Controller

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#### **Entrance Conference**



#### What is discussed?

- Introduction to the Field Examiners working on the audit
- · General overview of:
  - ✓ Audit Objectives
  - ✓ Management Responsibilities
  - ✓ Audit Procedures (general, internal control, compliance)
  - ✓ Informing Management of general records that will be requested
  - ✓ Start date & expected issuance date
- Established Method for Continued Communication
- Answers to any Questions Asked

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#### Records Needed



- Financial Ledger
- Bank Statements and Reconcilements
- Claims / Receipts / Supporting Documentation
- Minutes of Meetings (include to current date)
- Ordinances / Resolutions
- Contracts
- Policies and Procedures *including Internal Controls*
- Financial Reports filed with State and/or Federal Government
- Grant Documents
  - Federal
  - Grant Applications and Agreements are key
- Other

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#### Single Audit of Federal Programs



- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA)
- Generated from Gateway Grant Schedule
- Expenditures Greater than \$750,000
- Selection of Major Programs
- Audit of Major Programs



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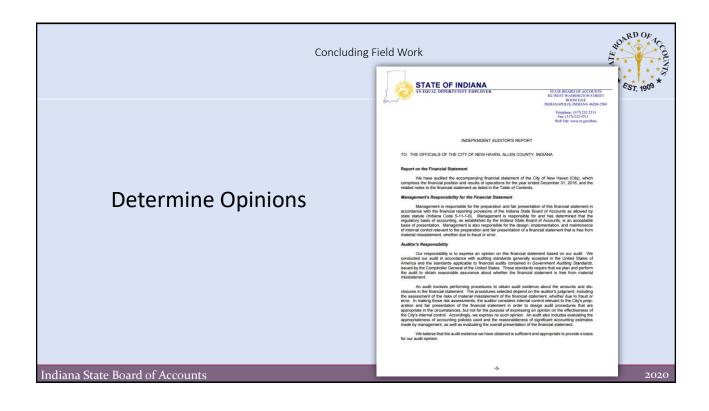
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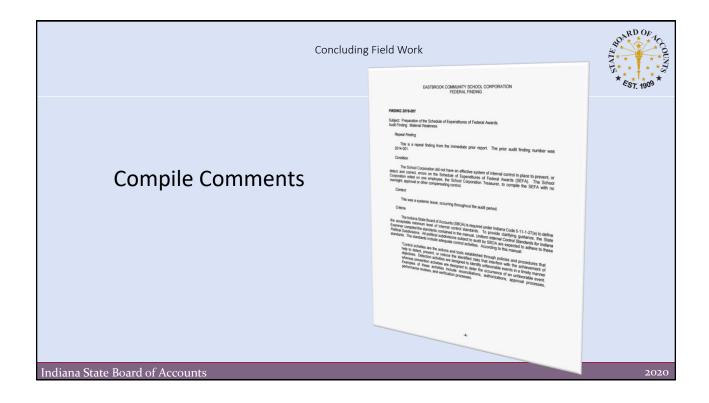
#### Field Work



- Importance of Internal Control Procedures
- Financial Statements
- Notes to the Financial Statements
- Compliance

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#### Concluding Field Work - Report Contents



- Cover Page
- Schedule of Officials
- Independent Auditor's Report
- Financial Statement & Accompanying Notes
- Other Information Unaudited
- Other Reports

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# Concluding Field Work Fig. 13 Programment Letter Compile Management Letter Communication for Auditory Auditory Communication and the Communication for the C

#### Exit Conference



#### **Exit Conference**

- Who is invited
- What is discussed
- Options to respond

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#### Audit Report Issuance



#### Who gets a copy of reports?

- ✓ Official(s) examined
- ✓ President of governing bodies
- ✓ Other Requested Officials

#### Audit Reports Posted to Website:

https://secure.in.gov/apps/sboa/audit-reports/#/



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#### Contact with SBOA Before and After Audit



- In-person training sessions
- Individual questions via phone or email
- Webex Meetings
- YouTube Videos
- Manuals
- Quarterly Bulletins
- Emails through SBOA Communications

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#### Take Aways



- Review prior audit report and take care of any audit findings
- Gather records for audit, including any explanations for unusual items
- Make sure monthly and annual uploads are up to date
- Come to our Training Sessions
- Keep in Touch
  - Call or Email us
     Get on the mailing list by contacting <u>communications@sboa.in.gov</u>.

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#### **Other Items**

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#### Other Items – Conflict of Interest IC 35-44.1-1-4



- "A public servant who knowingly or intentionally has a pecuniary interested in or derives a profit from a contract or purchase connected with an action by the governmental entity served commits a conflict of interest..."
- Statutory provisions for when a disclosure should be filed and the type of information required in the disclosure.
- SBOA is the repository for disclosure statements
  - file through the Gateway SBOA application

Seek the advise of an attorney for a determination on whether disclosure is needed or whether information disclosed is sufficient

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#### Other Items – Nepotism Policy IC 36-1-20.2



- "Individuals who are <u>relatives</u> may not be <u>employed</u> by a <u>unit</u> in a position that results in one (1) relative being in the <u>direct line of supervision</u> of the other relative." (underlining added)
- Nepotism Policy must be adopted by Council
- policy must include the requirements set out in IC 36-1-20.2
- policy may contain more stringent standards
- Uploaded with the 100R SBOA application in Gateway

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#### Other Items – Contracting With a Unit Policy IC 36-1-21



"A <u>unit</u> may enter into a contract or renew a contract for the procurement of goods and services or a contract for public works with: (1) an individual who is a relative of an <u>elected official</u>; or (2) a business entity that is wholly or partially owned by a <u>relative</u> of an elected official; only if the requirements of this section are satisfied and the elected official does not violate IC 35-44.1-1-4." (underlining added)

- Disclosure Requirements IC 36-1-21-5
- Annual Certification IC 36-1-21-6

"Each elected officer of the unit shall annually certify in writing, subject to the penalties for perjury, that the officer is in compliance with this chapter. An officer shall submit the certification to the executive of the unit not later than December 31 of each year."

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Other Items - Materiality Threshold
State Examiner Directive 2015-6



#### Reporting Losses, Variances, and Thefts

IC 5-11-1-27(j)

"All erroneous or irregular material variances, losses, shortages, or thefts of political subdivision funds or property shall be reported immediately to the state board of accounts."

#### State Examiner 2015-6

"Political subdivisions must recognize that variances, losses, shortages, and thefts may occur. If an incident occurs, it is imperative that the political subdivision have a policy in place that outlines the steps to be taken. Such a policy must include a materiality threshold at which point the political subdivision reports incidents to the State Board of Accounts."

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Other Items - Materiality Threshold State Examiner Directive 2015-6



#### **Reporting of Misappropriation**

- IC 5-11-1-27(l)
- Misappropriation of public funds (loss or theft by public official) is to immediately be reported in writing to:
  - SBOA
  - County Prosecuting Attorney
- No materiality threshold for misappropriation of public funds

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