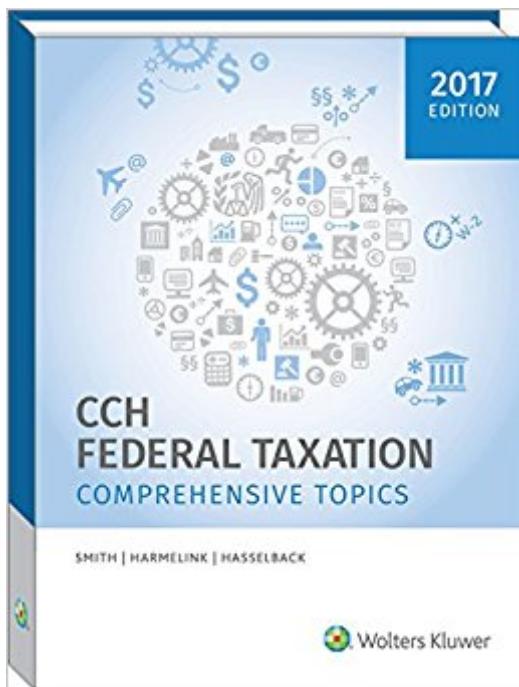


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I am in my second year of taking courses involving taxation and I just love this book. I bought a used copy for \$20 and can use it to study for 5 different courses I am enrolled in. It covers everything: tax procedure, tax research, income taxes, partnerships, gift and estate taxes . . . . I wish I had bought it last year when I was in basic tax. I use it to supplement my casebooks and the IRC itself. For this purpose, and given I have at least a minimum foundation in the material, the book is concise, informative, and well organized. Given other reviews, it may or may not be what someone needs. For my purposes, I would give it 6 stars if I could.

Tax documentation obviously has a limited shelf life as tax laws are constantly changing. CCH is the authority on tax and tax law and this book gives you a really good overview of common tax situations and how they are handled. The one key element missing in this book would be more in-depth information on how research tax issues. I've often said that taxes are like fingerprints, each situation is unique to the person and must be researched accordingly. If you're looking for a book to get you started in understanding common tax practices then I'd recommend it.

This text was used for my Federal Taxation II course so we only used the later chapters. The text is intimidating and the way it is structured by paragraph number is confusing at first. But once you get used to it makes researching the right section simple. The examples given are very instructive and the text references the tax code often enough that if you need to find the actual IRS line you can use the text material to narrow an online search.

Book is organized terribly

School books are price controlled and they are part of a huge racket.

Purchased this book for an advanced tax class I took last semester. The book was filled with information but a hard read, very dense. I would recommend a different book if teachers are thinking about using this for a class. A lot of information in each chapter and for someone that is learning the tax code, it is extremely hard to comprehend.

Great reference and study guide.

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