

Digital distribution – action lists

Name of business:

Date completed:

Actions – step 1: Get ready to distribute digitally (activities)	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
Review your products / experiences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Are they suitable for online distribution: bookable, paid-for, suitable for FITs? Do you know your opening times / availability?</i>
Review your pricing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Do you have enough margin to offer commission?</i>
Identify your USPs and write descriptions for your products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short elevator pitch • Full description 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>What makes people want to book your product? Consider asking trade contacts or other customers for feedback.</i>
Source images and videos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Review existing images and videos. Arrange more images and videos if required.</i>
Summarise operational information for your listing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>To include duration, language, accessibility, meeting point / address etc.</i>
Review your T&Cs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Review cancellation policy, cut off time for bookings etc.</i>
Write 3-5 bullet points of “Highlights”	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Summarise the experience and USPs in a bullet point list.</i>
Write a list of what is included, but also what is not included (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>For example: admission, transport, gratuities etc.</i>
List any other important information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>For example: Is there an age limit? Do guests need to sign a waiver? Anything else they need to know or bring? Is your product not suitable for certain people (children, wheelchair users etc)?</i>
If you have a COBS – make sure the information on your booking system is correct and up to date, such as availability and rates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Actions – step 1: Get ready to distribute digitally (accommodation)	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
Review your products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Do you know your season / availability? What are your terms & conditions?</i>
Review your pricing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Do you have enough margin to offer commission?</i>
Identify your USPs and write descriptions for your products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short elevator pitch • Full description 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>What makes people want to stay with you? Consider asking trade contacts or other customers for feedback.</i>
Source images and videos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Review existing images and videos. Arrange more images and videos if required.</i>
Summarise operational information for your listing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>To include parking, wi-fi, breakfast, check in and check out time, pets etc</i>
Review your T&Cs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Review cancellation policy, cut off time for bookings, child policies etc.</i>
List any other important information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Anything they need to know before staying? Is your product not suitable for certain people (children, wheelchair users etc)?</i>
If you have a PMS or channel manager – make sure the information on your system is correct and up to date, such as availability and rates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Actions – step 2: Get a COBS (connected online booking system)	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
If you don't have a COBS, review the benefits of getting one	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Review what functionalities are important for you, and make a list of priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Consider cost – would a monthly subscription or a fee per booking work best for you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Review different COBS, and arrange demos with the ones that offer the functionalities you require	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sign up with a COBS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Set up your products and rates on the COBS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Connect your COBS to your website, by adding a “book now” button to your website	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If already set up on OTAs, connect your OTA listings to the COBS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Actions – step 3: Start selling on OTAs	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
Identify the OTAs and platforms that would suit your products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>For example: which are your target markets? How much commission are you able to pay? Are there any specialist OTAs selling your type of experience / product?</i>
Sign up with your selected OTAs and platforms online	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fill in your company profile information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Add your product information and images	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>See action list 1 above</i>
Consider developing OTA specific products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Connect the OTA listing to your COBS (or update manually if no COBS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Actions – step 4: Start selling on TXGB	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
Register with TXGB, and complete your profile	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Go to the TXGB website and click on “Get started”</i>
If you have a COBS, connect it with TXGB	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>TXGB will help you connect your COBS with TXGB</i>
If you don't have a COBS, consider using TxLoad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>TXGB can help you get set up on TxLoad</i>
Choose the distribution channels you would like to work with	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>See action list 3 above – review their target markets, commission level, T&Cs etc.</i>

Actions – step 5: Improve your online visibility	To do	In progress	Completed	Notes
Connect your COBS to your website, by adding a “book now” button to your website	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Check your website's UX (user experience), SEO and fix any issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Consider using tools like: https://pagespeed.web.dev/</i>
Create a social media strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Consider introducing a monthly plan for your posting.</i>
Review different social media platforms, and sign up with any that suit your audience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Which social media platforms should you be posting on – consider your audience (age groups, interests, nationalities etc).</i>
Claim your company profiles on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Google • TripAdvisor 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Check your listings on review sites and update if needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Add info and images / videos to review sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sign up to get review notification emails from review sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	