## **BUSINESS DECISION MAKING CHECKLIST**

## SEVEN STEPS TO MAKING STRONG BUSINESS DECISIONS CHECKLIST

1	Identify the end goal and the need to make the decision  – Discuss the situation with stakeholders and managers  – Agree that a decision needs to be made	
2	Gather all relevant information  – Dispatch team members to do research on problem and options  – Learn what competitors are doing, if relevant  – Organize learnings into different decision scenario options	
3	Identify various alternatives - not necessarily every one, but every one that could work for this situation  – Eliminate ones that are inappropriate or unfeasible  – Ensure company can accomplish all alternatives (financially, legally, from deadline or resource perspective, etc.)	
4	Come together in your small team to compare all the evidence of all the alternatives, all pros and cons	
5	Choose the decision	
6	Execute the decision	
7	Evaluate the decision after the fact  – Adjust process in aftermath as necessary for optimum results  – Capture decision-making process information for rest of company and for future similar needs  – Re-evaluate as necessary	

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