

Client Onboarding SOP

BrightScale Marketing Agency
Standard Operating Procedure
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Purpose

To ensure every new client is onboarded through a consistent process covering communication, documentation, scheduling, project setup, and internal coordination.

Scope

This SOP applies to all new clients after the signed proposal or service agreement has been received.

Required Tools

Tool	Purpose
Gmail	Client communication
Google Calendar	Schedule meetings and deadlines
Google Drive	Store client documents
Asana	Project and task management
Google Meet	Kickoff and client meetings
Canva	Presentation and marketing assets

Roles & Responsibilities

Role	Responsibilities
Executive Assistant	Coordinate onboarding process
Account Manager	Primary client communication
Marketing Team	Campaign preparation
Operations Manager	Internal workflow setup

Client Onboarding Workflow

Step 1 — Receive Signed Proposal

Objective

Confirm the client has officially approved the proposal before beginning onboarding.

Checklist

- ☐ Signed proposal received
- ☐ Client information verified
- ☐ Payment terms confirmed

Step 2 — Create Client Folder

Create a Google Drive folder.

Recommended folder structure:

Client Name

- Contracts
- Meeting Notes
- Presentations
- Invoices

- Brand Assets
- Reports

Step 3 — Create Asana Project

Project Name:

Client Name - Onboarding

Assign:

- Executive Assistant
- Marketing Team
- Operations Manager

Create initial tasks:

- Kickoff Meeting
- Collect Brand Assets
- Create Timeline
- Internal Team Brief

Step 4 — Schedule Kickoff Meeting

Create a Google Calendar invitation.

Include:

- Google Meet link
- Date & time
- Meeting agenda
- Attendees

Step 5 — Send Welcome Email

The email should include:

- Welcome message
- Introduction of primary contact

- Kickoff meeting confirmation
- Expected timeline
- Next steps

Step 6 — Confirm Client Access

Verify that the client has access to:

- ☐ Google Drive
- ☐ Shared resources
- ☐ Meeting links
- ☐ Contact information
- ☐ Project timeline

Quality Control

Quality Checklist

Item	Status
Signed proposal received	✓
Client folder created	✓
Calendar invitation sent	✓
Kickoff meeting scheduled	✓
Welcome email sent	✓
Asana project created	✓
Internal team notified	✓
Client access confirmed	✓

Communication Standards

- Respond to client inquiries within one business day.
- Keep communication clear, professional, and timely.

- Document important discussions after meetings.
- Notify internal stakeholders of any onboarding changes.

Exception Handling

If onboarding cannot proceed due to missing documents, delayed approvals, or unavailable stakeholders:

- Notify the Account Manager immediately.
- Inform the client of any delays.
- Record the issue in the project tracker.
- Resume onboarding once requirements are completed.

Document Control

Item	Details
Document Owner	Executive Assistant
Department	Operations
Review Frequency	Every 6 Months
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