Google Ads Account Intake Document

1. Business Context

- What are the primary business goals? (e.g., sales, lead generation, subscriptions, calls, store visits)
- What is the target audience? (demographics, geographies, psychographics, intent)
- What are the main offers/products/services promoted?
- What is the average order value (AOV) or customer lifetime value (CLV)?
- Describe the sales funnel or buyer journey (top of funnel → conversion).
- Are there any secondary goals? (brand awareness, app installs, email signups, etc.)
- Key USPs (unique selling points) vs. competitors?
- Known seasonality or demand cycles?

2. Account Structure

- Current campaign structure (Search, Shopping, PMax, Display, YouTube, etc.).
- How are campaigns segmented? (by product type, country, audience, funnel stage, etc.)
- Are there single-country or multi-country campaigns?
- Ad group and keyword setup (match types, SKAGs vs. broad segmentation).
- Audience targeting used? (in-market, remarketing, custom intent, etc.)
- Use of negative keywords, brand vs. non-brand split?
- Labeling or naming conventions followed?

Follow-up if unclear:

- Are campaigns organized for simplicity (few campaigns) or granularity (many segmented campaigns)?
- Is there overlap between keywords/campaigns?

3. Performance History

- What is the **timeframe of available performance data**? (last 30/90/365 days)
- Average ROAS/CPA/CPL achieved historically?
- Key conversion volume trends (increasing, declining, seasonal dips)?
- Which campaigns historically performed best?
- Past experiments or A/B tests run (e.g., bidding strategies, creatives, landing pages)?
- Have there been **major changes** (account restructures, new site, tracking setup)?

Follow-up if incomplete:

• Any sudden performance shifts due to external factors? (e.g., supply chain, policy, algorithm changes)

4. Tracking & Attribution

- What conversions are tracked? (purchases, calls, form fills, offline imports, micro-conversions)
- How is conversion value tracked? (transaction value, fixed values, offline upload)
- Is GA4 integrated with Google Ads?
- Is Enhanced Conversions enabled?

- Is there deduplication across platforms (GA4 vs Ads vs CRM)?
- Current attribution model? (data-driven, last click, linear, etc.)
- Any tracking gaps/issues known?

5. Budget & Bidding

- What is the monthly budget (or daily pacing)?
- How are budgets allocated (by campaign, by geo, by product)?
- Which bidding strategies are being used? (Maximize Conversions, tROAS, tCPA, Manual CPC, etc.)
- What are the **return/profitability targets**? (ROAS, CPA, MER, Profit %)
- Is the budget **flexible** based on performance or capped?
- Are there shared budgets across campaigns?

6. Creative Assets

- What types of **ad formats** are currently running? (RSA, Shopping, Video, Display)
- Current ad copy themes and variations?
- Use of ad extensions/assets? (sitelinks, callouts, images, promotions)
- Landing page setup:
 - Dedicated landing pages vs. generic product/category pages?
 - Page speed, mobile-friendliness, conversion elements (CTAs, forms)?
- Visual creatives (images, videos) availability & refresh cycle?

Quality Score distribution — any keywords/ad groups underperforming?

7. Competitor & Market Insight

- Known direct competitors in auctions?
- Impression share & overlap metrics available?
- Market/industry benchmarks for CPA/ROAS?
- Key competitor strategies noticed (offers, creatives, placements)?
- Any seasonality trends in the niche?

8. Known Issues & Priorities

- What are the biggest current pain points? (e.g., high CPC, low conversion rate, poor tracking, wasted spend)
- What are the **top 3 priorities** for the next 90 days?
- Any **restrictions** (compliance, ad policies, legal terms)?
- What is the desired outcome from this audit/analysis? (quick wins, scaling strategy, new account build, etc.)