

# Detailed Credit Limit Worksheet

## Step 1: Enter Your Credit Information

List all your credit accounts, including credit cards, loans, and other lines of credit.

| Credit Type           | Current Limit (\$) | Credit Used (\$) | Available Credit (\$) | Monthly Payment (\$) |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Credit Card 1         | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |
| Credit Card 2         | ___                | ___ ↓            | ___                   | ___                  |
| Personal Loan         | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |
| Auto Loan             | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |
| Mortgage Loan         | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |
| Line of Credit        | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |
| Other Debts (Specify) | ___                | ___              | ___                   | ___                  |

- ◆ Total Current Credit Limit: \$ \_\_\_
- ◆ Total Credit Used: \$ \_\_\_
- ◆ Total Available Credit: \$ \_\_\_



## Step 2: Calculate Debt-to-Credit Ratio

The Debt-to-Credit Ratio (DCR) is a key factor in determining your creditworthiness. A lower percentage is generally better.

$$\text{Debt-to-Credit Ratio} = \left( \frac{\text{Total Credit Used}}{\text{Total Credit Limit}} \right) \times 100$$

- ◆ Debt-to-Credit Ratio: \_\_\_%
- ◆ Ideal DCR: Below 30% is good; above 50% may reduce creditworthiness.



## Step 3: Determine Maximum Allowable Credit

Financial institutions calculate credit limits based on income, credit score, and debt obligations.

### A. Income & Debt Considerations

- Annual Income: \$ \_\_\_
- Monthly Income: \$ \_\_\_
- Existing Debt Payments (Sum of Monthly Payments from Step 1): \$ \_\_\_
- Debt-to-Income Ratio (DTI):

$$\text{DTI} = \left( \frac{\text{Total Monthly Debt Payments}}{\text{Monthly Income}} \right) \times 100$$

- ◆ Debt-to-Income Ratio: \_\_\_%
- ◆ Ideal DTI: Below 36% is best; above 43% can impact loan approvals.



### B. Credit Score Consideration

- Your Current Credit Score: \_\_\_
- Minimum Score Required for Credit Limit Increase: \_\_\_
- Credit Score Category:
  - 800-850 (Excellent) – Higher credit limit likely