MAINE TAX ALERT



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Maine Revenue Services ("MRS") Rulemaking Activity

Rule 301, "Sales for Resale and Sales of Packaging Materials." Effective March 15, 2021, Rule 301 is adopted. MRS has amended Rule 301 to reflect that MRS no longer issues a "provisional" resale certificate. Additionally, MRS has clarified that a sale for resale is not an "exemption," but rather an exclusion from retail sale, and, therefore, sales tax need not be collected on such sales, provided the selling retailer receives the appropriate documentation from the purchaser.

Rule 302, "Sales to Governmental Agencies and Exempt Organizations." Effective March 15, 2021, Rule 302 is adopted. MRS has amended Rule 302 to specifically address MRS's authority to periodically review exemption certificates and revoke certificates if needed.

The adopted rules can be found on MRS's website, at www.maine.gov/revenue/publications/rules, under "Sales/Use Tax."

MRS Sales Tax Bulletin Updates

The Sales Tax Division has posted two bulletin updates to the MRS website:

- Bulletin No. 60 Sales of Medical Marijuana and Related Products. This updated bulletin describes the application of service provider tax to medical marijuana manufacturing facilities that may extract marijuana concentrate or produce marijuana products from marijuana provided by and returned to their customer.
- Bulletin No. 61 Sales of Adult Use Marijuana and Related Products. This new bulletin discusses the application and reporting of sales and use taxes of sales and certain purchases for those operating an adult use marijuana establishment in Maine.

Careers at MRS

The mission of MRS is to fairly and efficiently administer the tax laws of the State of Maine, while maintaining the highest degree of integrity and professionalism.

MRS is looking for smart, motivated, and team-oriented people to join our team. Benefits include:

- Public service
- Competitive salary
- MainePERS retirement plan and deferred compensation
- Qualifying employer for federal student-loan forgiveness
- Generous insurance and paid leave (including all state holidays)
- Flexible spending accounts and longevity pay
- Gym membership reimbursement
- Tuition reimbursement for continuing education

Regularly posted, full-time positions at MRS include the Tax Examiner and Revenue Agent positions. Click the following link for more information about these positions: https://apps.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/bhrsalary/jobs.pl.

Current job openings at MRS are listed here: <u>www.maine.gov/revenue/about/careeropportunities</u>.

Fraud Alert

If you believe you are a victim of identity theft or that a breach of personally identifiable information has occurred, contact MRS at (207) 624-7658 or email fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

<u>Department</u>	Telephone Numbers	FAX Numbers	E-mail Addresses
Taxpayer Contact Center	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	taxpayerassist@maine.gov
Central Registration	(207) 624-5644	(207) 287-6975	taxregistration@maine.gov
Collections & Compliance	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Corporate Tax	(207) 624-9670	(207) 624-9694	corporate.tax@maine.gov
E-file Help Desk (1040 ONLY)	(207) 624-9730	(207) 287-6628	efile.helpdesk@maine.gov
Electronic Funds Transfer	(207) 624-5625	(207) 287-3618	efunds.transfer@maine.gov
Estate & Fiduciary Tax	(207) 626-8480	(207) 624-9694	estatetax@maine.gov
Fuel & Special Taxes	(207) 624-9609	(207) 287-6628	fuel.tax@maine.gov
Forms Request Line	(207) 624-7894		
Individual Income Tax Assistance	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	income.tax@maine.gov
Insurance Premium Tax	(207) 624-9753	(207) 624-9694	
NexTalk (TTY Service)	(888) 577-6690		
Payment Plan/Income Tax	(207) 621-4300	(207) 621-4328	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Payment Plan/Other	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Practitioners' Hotline	(207) 626-8458	(207) 624-9694	
Property Tax	(207) 624-5600	(207) 287-6396	prop.tax@maine.gov
Public Communications	(207) 626-8478	(207) 624-9694	
Sales Tax	(207) 624-9693	(207) 287-6628	sales.tax@maine.gov
Tax Clearance Letters	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	
Office of Tax Policy	(207) 624-9677	(207) 287-3618	
Taxpayer Advocate	(207) 624-9649	(207) 287-3618	taxpayer.advocate@maine.gov
Withholding Tax	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	withholding.tax@maine.gov
Tax Violations Hot Line	(207) 624-9600		

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Suggestions for the Tax Alert?

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