

Attention: GW Departments

Re: Sales Tax Exempt Purchases in Utah

Please read the following instructions and explanations carefully:

In order to claim an exemption from sales tax on purchases in UT, different procedures must be followed depending on the dollar amount purchased.

If the purchase totals \$1,000 or more, a completed Exemption Certificate (TC-721), as attached below, must be presented to the vendor at the time of purchase. Please note this form needs to be signed by an authorized person at GW, so provide the name of seller or supplier, date, and a description of the purchase and return to the Tax Department. We will coordinate signature.

If the purchase is less than \$1,000, pay the sales tax at the time of purchase and claim a refund by providing a copy of the receipt and purpose of expense to us at tax@gwu.edu. We will file for refunds periodically once we have \$100 total to request. Claims must be filed within three years from the date the sales tax was paid. However, you do not have to pay sales tax on purchases less than \$1,000 if you have a written contract with the seller, in which case you follow the procedure in the previous paragraph.

In addition, payment for the item and/or services must be made using university funds (ex. GW check or GW p-card). If payment is made using a personal credit card or check, you will have to pay sales tax on the item and/or services, even if later you will be reimbursed by the university.

The UT exemption applies to sales and use taxes such as transient room tax, resort communities tax, prepared food tax, and tourism leasing tax.

Note that GW sales tax exemptions cannot be used for personal purchases.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding RI sales tax exemption, please feel free to reach us at 571-553-8313 or email at tax@gwu.edu.

Sincerely,

GW Tax Department



UTAH STATE TAX COMMISSION

TAXPAYER SERVICES DIVISION 210 N 1950 W SALT LAKE CITY UT 84134-9000

Website: tax.utah.gov

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

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NON-Exempt Taxes

- This exemption does **not** apply to:
 - ◆ Motor Fuel or Special Fuel Taxes
 - ◆ Property Taxes
 - ◆ Waste Tire Fees
 - ◆ City Franchise Taxes
 - ◆ Other State's Taxes
 - ◆ Federal Taxes

How To Claim A Refund

1. You may claim refunds as often as once a month.
 - ◆ You have three years from the date the sales tax was paid to claim a refund. According to Utah law we must deny the claim if it has been more than three years.
 - ◆ Do NOT send receipts, schedules or similar documents to the Tax Commission.
 - ◆ We will send you a refund coupon booklet in January of each year. The booklet will have 12 coupons.
2. Use only original coupons from the coupon booklet. Do not use copies
 - ◆ Do make changes to the coupon.
 - ◆ You may make address corrections on the "Change" form in the back of the coupon booklet.
3. The "Tax Period" on the coupon is for the month you fill out and send the refund request. It does not represent the month the sales tax was paid.
 - ◆ You may pay sales tax for any number of months before you fill out and send a refund request coupon.
 - ◆ If there are months you do not fill out and send a refund request coupon, please discard the coupon for those months.
4. Each claim should be for the total amount of Utah sales tax paid.
5. Each claim should be for \$100 or more.

Records To Keep

- You must keep the following records for three years from the date of the refund request:
 - ◆ Receipts
 - ◆ Invoices
 - ◆ Schedules
 - ◆ Work papers used to calculate the refunds.

Contact Information

If you have any questions, please call Ram Chapagain at (801) 297-7730 or toll free 1-800-662-4335 ext. 7730 or send me a fax at (0) -. You may also write to me at the address at the top of this notice.

Respectfully,
Ram Chapagain
Tax/Motor Vehicle Tech
Taxpayer Services Division



Exemption Certificate

(Sales, Use, Tourism and Motor Vehicle Rental Tax)

TC-721

Rev. 6/14

Name of business or institution claiming exemption (purchaser)		Telephone number	
Street address	City	State	ZIP Code
Authorized signature	Name (please print)	Title	
Name of Seller or Supplier:			Date

The signer of this certificate **MUST** check the box showing the basis for which the exemption is being claimed.

DO NOT SEND THIS CERTIFICATE TO THE TAX COMMISSION
Keep it with your records in case of an audit.

For purchases by government, Native American tribes and public schools, use form TC-721G.

RESALE OR RE-LEASE

Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify I am a dealer in tangible personal property or services that are for resale or re-lease. If I use or consume any tangible personal property or services I purchase tax free for resale, or if my sales are of food, beverages, dairy products and similar confections dispensed from vending machines (see Rule R865-19S-74), I will report and pay sales tax directly to the Tax Commission on my next sales and use tax return.

LEASEBACKS

I certify the tangible personal property leased satisfies the following conditions: (1) the property is part of a sale-leaseback transaction; (2) sales or use tax was paid on the initial purchase of the property; and, (3) the leased property will be capitalized and the lease payments will be accounted for as payments made under a financing arrangement.

COMMERCIAL AIRLINES

I certify the food and beverages purchased are by a commercial airline for in-flight consumption; or, any parts or equipment purchased are for use in aircraft operated by common carriers in interstate or foreign commerce.

COMMERCIALS, FILMS, AUDIO AND VIDEO TAPES

Sales Tax License No. _____
 I certify that purchases of commercials, films, prerecorded video tapes, prerecorded audio program tapes or records are for sale or distribution to motion picture exhibitors, or commercial television or radio broadcasters. If I subsequently resell items to any other customer, or use or consume any of these items, I will report any tax liability directly to the Tax Commission.

FILM, TELEVISION, VIDEO

I certify that purchases, leases or rentals of machinery or equipment will be used by a motion picture or video production company for the production of media for commercial distribution.

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY

Sales Tax License No. _____
 I certify the tangible personal property meets the requirements of Utah Code §59-12-104 and is leased or purchased by or for an alternative energy electricity production facility, a waste energy production facility, or a facility that produces fuel from alternative energy.

FUELS, GAS, ELECTRICITY

Sales Tax License No. _____
 I certify all natural gas, electricity, coal, coke, and other fuel purchased will be used for industrial use only and not for residential or commercial purposes.

STEEL MILL

Sales Tax License No. _____
 I certify the rolls, rollers, refractory brick, electric motors or other replacement parts will be used in the furnaces, mills or ovens of a steel mill as described in Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 3312.

MUNICIPAL ENERGY

Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify the natural gas or electricity purchased: is for resale; is prohibited from taxation by federal law, the U.S. Constitution, or the Utah Constitution; is for use in compounding or producing taxable energy; is subject to tax under the Motor and Special Fuel Tax Act; is used for a purpose other than as a fuel; is used by an entity exempted by municipal ordinance; or is for use outside a municipality imposing a municipal energy sales and use tax. The normal sales tax exemptions under Utah Code §59-12-104 do not apply to the Municipal Energy Sales and Use Tax.

POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify our company has been granted a "Certification of Pollution Control Facilities" as provided for by Utah Code §§19-12-101 - 19-12-305 by either the Air Quality Board or the Water Quality Board. I further certify each item of tangible personal property purchased under this exemption is qualifying.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

I certify the equipment or device checked below is prescribed by a licensed physician for human use.

- Durable Medical Equipment primarily used to serve a medical purpose, is not worn in or on the body, and is for home use only. (Sales of spas and saunas are taxable.)
- Mobility Enhancing Equipment primarily used to improve movement, is for use in a home or motor vehicle, and is not used by persons with normal mobility.
- Prosthetic Device used to replace a missing body part, to prevent or correct a physical deformity, or support a weak body part. This is also exempt if purchased by a hospital or medical facility. (Sales of corrective eyeglasses and contact lenses are taxable.)
- Disposable Home Medical Equipment or Supplies that cannot withstand repeated use and purchased by, for, or on behalf of a person other than a health care facility, health care provider or office of a health care provider. The equipment and supplies must be eligible for payment under Title XVIII, federal Social Security Act, or the state plan for medical assistance under Title XIX, federal Social Security Act.

RELIGIOUS OR CHARITABLE INSTITUTION

Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify the tangible personal property or services purchased will be used or consumed for essential religious or charitable purposes. **This exemption can only be used on purchases totaling \$1,000 or more, unless the sale is pursuant to a contract between the seller and purchaser.**

DIRECT MAIL

Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify I will report and pay the sales tax for direct mail purchases on my next Utah *Sales and Use Tax Return*.

MAILING LISTS
Sales Tax License No. _____
I certify the printed mailing lists or electronic databases are used to send printed material that is delivered by U.S. mail or other delivery service to a mass audience where the cost of the printed material is not billed directly to the recipients.

OUT-OF-STATE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
I certify this tangible personal property will be shipped out of state and will become part of real property located in a state that does not have a sales tax or allow credit for tax paid to Utah.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PURCHASED FOR AIRPORTS
I certify the construction materials are purchased by, on behalf of, or for the benefit of Salt Lake International Airport, or a new airport owned or operated by a city in Davis, Utah, Washington or Weber County. I further certify the construction materials will be installed or converted into real property owned by and located at the airport.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PURCHASED FOR RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS
I certify the construction materials are purchased on behalf of a religious or charitable organization and that they will be installed or converted into real property owned by the religious or charitable organization.
Name of religious or charitable organization: _____

Sales Tax License No. _____
Name of project: _____

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AND NORMAL OPERATING REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT PARTS USED IN A MANUFACTURING FACILITY, MINING ACTIVITY OR WEB SEARCH PORTAL OR ELECTRONIC FINANCIAL PAYMENT SERVICE
Sales Tax License No. _____

I certify the machinery and equipment and normal operating repair or replacement parts have an economic life of three years or more and are for use in a Utah manufacturing facility described in SIC Codes 2000-3999; in a qualifying scrap recycling operation; in a cogeneration facility placed in service on or after May 1, 2006; in the operation of a Web search portal by a new or expanding business described in NAICS Code 518112 between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2014; in the operation of an electronic financial payment service described in NAICS Code 522320; or in a business described in NAICS 212, Mining (except Oil and Gas), or NAICS 213113, Support Activities for Coal Mining, NAICS 213114, Support Activities for Metal Mining, or NAICS 213115, Support Activities for Nonmetallic Minerals (except Fuels) Mining. For a definition of exempt mining equipment, see Utah Code §59-12-104(14).

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY TECHNOLOGY
Sales Tax License No. _____
I certify the tangible personal property purchased will be used in research and development of alternative energy technology.

LIFE SCIENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FACILITY
I certify that: (1) the machinery, equipment and normal operating repair or replacement parts purchased have an economic life of three or more years for use in performing qualified research in Utah; or (2) construction materials purchased are for use in the construction of a new or expanding life science research and development facility in Utah.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCER
I certify the items purchased will be used primarily and directly in a commercial farming operation and qualify for the Utah sales and use tax exemption. THIS EXEMPTION DOES NOT APPLY TO VEHICLES REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED.

LOCOMOTIVE FUEL
I certify this fuel will be used by a railroad in a locomotive engine.

SEMICONDUCTOR FABRICATING, PROCESSING, OR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT MATERIAL
Sales Tax License No. _____
I certify the fabricating, processing, or research and development materials purchased are for use in research or development, manufacturing, or fabricating of semiconductors.

AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND OVERHAUL PROVIDER
I certify these sales are to or by an aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul provider for the use in the maintenance, repair, overhaul or refurbishment in Utah of a fixed-wing, turbine-powered aircraft that is registered or licensed in a state or country outside Utah.

SKI RESORT
Sales Tax License No. _____
I certify the snow-making equipment, ski slope grooming equipment or passenger rope-ways purchased are to be paid directly with funds from the ski resort noted on the front of this form.

TOURISM/MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL
I certify the motor vehicle being leased or rented will be temporarily used to replace a motor vehicle that is being repaired pursuant to a repair or an insurance agreement; the lease will exceed 30 days; the motor vehicle being leased or rented is registered for a gross laden weight of 12,001 pounds or more; or, the motor vehicle is being rented or leased as a personal household goods moving van. This exemption applies only to the tourism tax (up to 7 percent) and the short-term motor vehicle rental tax (Transportation Corridor Funding – 2.5 percent) – not to the state, local, transit, zoo, hospital, highways, county option or resort sales tax.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY OR SOFTWARE
Sales Tax License No. _____
I certify these purchases or leases of equipment, machinery, or software, by or on behalf of a telephone service provider, have a useful economic life of one or more years and will be used to enable or facilitate telecommunications; to provide 911 service; to maintain or repair telecommunications equipment; to switch or route telecommunications service; or for sending, receiving, or transporting telecommunications service.

TEXTBOOKS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
I certify that textbooks purchased are required for a higher education course, for which I am enrolled at an institution of higher education, and qualify for this exemption. An institution of higher education means: the University of Utah, Utah State University, Utah State University Eastern, Weber State University, Southern Utah University, Snow College, Dixie State University, Utah Valley University, Salt Lake Community College, or the Utah College of Applied Technology.

MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT USED BY PAYERS OF ADMISSIONS OR USER FEES
I certify that: (1) the machinery or equipment has an economic life of three or more years and will be used by payers of admissions or user fees (Utah Code §59-12-103(1)(f)); (2) the buyer is in the amusement, gambling or recreation industry (NAICS Subsector 713); and (3) at least 51 percent of the buyer's sales revenue for the previous calendar quarter came from admissions or user fees.

SHORT-TERM LODGING CONSUMABLES
I certify the tangible personal property is consumable items purchased by a lodging provider as described in Utah Code §59-12-103(1)(i).

A sales tax license number is required only where indicated.

NOTE TO SELLER: Keep this certificate on file since it must be available for audit review.

NOTE TO PURCHASER: Keep a copy of this certificate for your records. You must notify the seller of cancellation, modification, or limitation of the exemption you have claimed.

Questions about this form? Email taxmaster@utah.gov, or call 801-297-2200 or 1-800-662-4335.

If you need an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, email taxada@utah.gov, or call 801-297-3811 or TDD 801-297-2020. Please allow three working days for a response.