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NEVADA TAX NOTES

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Effective December 7, 2026 taxpayers, tax preparers and other tax professionals must submit the following online: tax returns, payments, refund claims, license applications, registrations, permit applications, waiver requests, petitions & appeals and other tax-related documents. More information can be found here: Electronic Submission FAQs

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UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURES

Friday, October 30
In Observance of Nevada Day

My Nevada Tax - Phase 3

The Department will launch Phase 3 of My Nevada Tax on Monday, December 7, 2026. The final phase will include Bank Excise, Exhibition Facility Fee, Local Government Finance (LGF), Lodging, Cannabis Excise – Wholesale and Retail, Property Tax on Interstate and Inter-County Companies – Centrally Assessed (Mining Valuations), Tire Fee and Transportation Connection. If you already have an account at My Nevada Tax, you will be able to request access to your Phase 3 tax type.

Additional information on page 5.

The Department of Taxation is hiring! We are recruiting for multiple positions in our Northern and Southern Nevada offices. If you are interested in applying, check out the Department's careers page.

WE'RE HIRING!

Call Center: (866) 962-3707 Monday - Friday 7:30AM-5:00PM

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Carson City, Nevada 89706
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Reno, Nevada 89521

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

NEVADA TAX AND RELATED REGULATIONS APPROVED

Several regulations affecting alcoholic beverages, taxation, tobacco products, sales and use taxes, and property taxes have been approved. The regulations update existing requirements, clarify tax procedures, and modernize several administrative processes.

Alcoholic Beverages - LCB File No. R005-26
New provisions establish a surcharge on certain sales of alcoholic beverages by covered food establishments when the beverages are sold for consumption off the premises. The regulation also establishes requirements for the administration, collection, and remittance of the surcharge to the Department of Taxation. In addition, it provides requirements for the delivery of alcoholic beverages in sealed containers by covered food establishments and establishes civil penalties for violations.

Tax Administration and Filing Requirements -LCB File No. R081-26
Several changes update the procedures governing tax administration and proceedings before the Nevada Tax Commission. The regulations require certain tax returns and other documents to be filed electronically unless a waiver is granted. They also expand acceptable payment methods, revise procedures for Department communications and advisory opinions, and update requirements for sales and use tax permits.

The regulations further clarify taxpayer responsibilities for filing returns and other required documents, update procedures for disputing Department determinations and requesting redeterminations, and revise requirements for using the Department's online portal. Provisions that are obsolete, redundant, or no longer applicable have also been removed.

Cigarette and Tobacco Product Regulations - LCB File No. R082-26
Changes to the cigarette and other tobacco product regulations establish procedures for contested cases involving certain license holders and tobacco product manufacturers. The regulations also revise administrative procedures related to the suspension or revocation of tobacco-related licenses and the removal of manufacturers and brand families from the Department's directory.

Certain outdated provisions, including procedures for refunding precollected cigarette and tobacco product taxes to Indian tribes and obsolete definitions and requirements, have been eliminated.

Sales and Use Tax - LCB File No. R085-26
The regulations make several changes affecting sales and use tax. Provisions concerning the furnishing of tangible personal property by morticians have been consolidated, and the application of sales and use tax to charges by dispensing opticians for eyeglasses and related products has been clarified.

The regulations also revise the calculation used to determine when food sold by a retailer is considered prepared food subject to sales and use tax. Requirements for information included on receipts for tangible personal property have been updated, while several obsolete provisions and references have been removed or revised.

Property Tax and Real Property - LCB File No. R098-26
Changes affecting real property revise the process for claiming certain partial property tax abatements. The regulations also update the information that may be included on the declaration of value form accompanying certain real property transfers.

The declaration of value form may now be electronically signed, providing an additional option for completing and submitting required documentation.

CANNABIS TAX PERMIT REQUIRED FOR CURRENT LICENSEES

New requirements established by SB 41 require current cannabis licensees to obtain a Cannabis Tax Permit from the Nevada Department of Taxation. To obtain the permit, cannabis businesses must complete and submit the Cannabis Tax Permit Application now.

Obtaining a Cannabis Tax Permit is an important step in maintaining compliance with Nevada's cannabis tax requirements. Businesses must also remain in compliance with applicable cannabis excise tax requirements to qualify for and maintain an active permit.

Following submission, the Department will review each application, including the applicant's tax accounts and business locations, to determine compliance.

Businesses with outstanding compliance issues should contact the Department as soon as possible and work with a Revenue Officer to resolve those issues. Any outstanding obligations must be resolved in sufficient time for the business to be eligible for approval as of December 31, 2026.

The Department will notify applicants of any application denials by December 7, 2026. Approved Cannabis Tax Permits will be available online no later than January 15, 2027.

Cannabis businesses should not wait until the deadline to address outstanding tax compliance issues. Failure to hold an active Cannabis Tax Permit by January 1, 2027, will result in suspension of the associated cannabis license.

If a business does not resolve its noncompliance before December 31, 2026, the Department must notify the Cannabis Compliance Board that the licensee has failed to meet the requirements for a Cannabis Tax Permit. Upon receiving the Department's notice, the Board will deem the applicable cannabis license suspended effective the date the Department issued the notice.

Cannabis licensees should carefully review the Cannabis Tax Permit Application, complete all required sections, and submit the application to the Department at taxpio@tax.state.nv.us.

Businesses with outstanding tax compliance issues are encouraged to contact the Department as soon as possible to allow adequate time to resolve those issues before the December 31, 2026, deadline.

Please remember that the Department no longer accepts cash payments. All cannabis tax payments must be made by check, ACH or credit card.

TAX PAYMENTS

All tax payments must be paid online:

- You can pay online through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), E-check, Credit Cards and ACH Credit on My Nevada Tax website.
- No cash payments will be accepted by drop off or mail.

AUTOMATED VAPOR PRODUCT VENDING MACHINES

The sale and distribution of tobacco products are highly regulated activities in Nevada. Businesses operating within the tobacco industry must have specific statutory authority to conduct the particular activity at issue.

A cigarette vending machine license does not authorize the sale of other tobacco products (OTP) through a vending machine when that activity is not otherwise authorized under Nevada law. The type of tobacco product being sold and the method of sale must both fall within an activity permitted by Nevada law.

At this time, the Nevada Legislature has not specifically authorized an OTP vending machine license. Under the current statutory framework, a business may not operate an OTP vending machine based solely on a cigarette vending machine license.

In Nevada's highly regulated tobacco industry, the absence of a prohibition does not, by itself, create authorization to conduct an activity. Rather, the Legislature must specifically authorize the activity. Accordingly, an existing cigarette vending machine license cannot be used to extend authorization to an otherwise unauthorized OTP vending operation.

For an OTP vending machine operation to become permissible, the Nevada Legislature would need to specifically authorize the activity and establish an applicable licensing framework, if appropriate. Until that authorization exists, an OTP vending machine operation may not be conducted under Nevada law.

This determination is limited to the sale of OTP through vending machines. Other methods of selling tobacco products may be subject to different statutory and licensing requirements.

Bottom line: A cigarette vending machine license is not the proper licensure for selling OTP through a vending machine. Because Nevada law does not currently provide specific legislative authorization for an OTP vending machine license, operation of an OTP vending machine is not permissible under the current Nevada statutory framework.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

The sale of tangible personal property belonging to the United States Government, the State of Nevada, or any of their agencies – including cities, counties, districts or political subdivisions – is exempt from sales tax. Therefore, auctioneers or other individuals who sell property owned by these governmental entities are not subject to collect sales tax for sales made on their behalf. Additionally, purchasers of property from governmental entities, whether buying directly or through an agent, are exempt from use tax.

REQUESTING A REFUND OF USE TAX PAID ON VEHICLES USED CONTINUOUSLY IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE

Nevada imposes a use tax on vehicles that are purchased and delivered to a purchaser in another state and brought into Nevada for use, storage, or consumption. Accordingly, upon bringing the purchased vehicle into Nevada, the use tax is due and payable and may be paid to the Department of Taxation ("Department") or at the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles ("DMV"). Once the tax is paid, the purchaser may register the vehicle in Nevada.

However, under NRS 372.258, a rebuttable presumption may be established that a vehicle delivered outside Nevada to a purchaser, is not purchased for use, storage or consumption in Nevada (and, therefore, not subject to the use tax) if two additional conditions are met: (1) the vehicle was first used in interstate or foreign commerce outside of Nevada, and (2) the vehicle is then used continuously in interstate commerce for at least 12 months after that first use. When all of these conditions are met, the purchaser may request a refund of the use tax paid.

Strict adherence to the following requirements must be followed in order to take advantage of the presumption for a use tax refund:

1. The vehicle must be:

(a) purchased outside Nevada and
(b) delivered to the purchaser outside of Nevada.

1. The use tax must be paid to either the Department or the DMV. Bringing the vehicle to Nevada solely for the purpose of registration will not be considered part of the first use of the vehicle.
2. The vehicle's first use in interstate commerce must occur entirely outside the state of Nevada. If the vehicle was brought to Nevada for registration, it must leave Nevada before beginning its first use in interstate commerce. To qualify, the first use must:
3. begin outside Nevada;
4. cross State lines outside Nevada;
5. end outside Nevada; and
6. accomplish the transportation of passengers or property between two or more states without crossing into Nevada.
7. The vehicle must be continuously used in interstate commerce for at least one full year following its first use in interstate commerce. This means a 12-month period of usage which is not interrupted by wholly intrastate travel, periods of storage, or periods of noncommercial use.

Each step is required. Failure to adhere to any of these steps cannot be remedied by completing the remainder of the requirements.

After these four requirements are met, a request for refund of the use tax may be submitted to the Department. The refund request should be submitted with supporting documentation for each of the requirements:

1. The purchase invoice which reflects out-of-state purchase and delivery;
2. Receipt from the DMV or your consumer use tax return showing payment of the use tax;
3. An amended Use Tax Return, if applicable
4. Documents showing that the vehicle's first use in interstate commerce occurred entirely outside the state of Nevada; and
5. Documents showing that the vehicle was continuously used in interstate commerce for the entire year following its first use in interstate commerce. These documents may include bills of lading, shipping manifests, weigh station records, fuel receipts, GPS logs, and delivery receipts; any other documents showing how and where the vehicle was used during the full 12-month time period.

Where the Department verifies that the documents establish the NRS 372.258 presumption, the Department will issue the refund. Where the Department determines that the documents do not establish the NRS 372.258 presumption, the Department will deny the refund.

CLOSING ACCOUNTS IN MY NEVADA TAX

Once logged into your My Nevada Tax account proceed to the “More” tab. Under the section Account Management, click “Request to Close an Account” hyperlink. Choose the Account that you would like to close. Enter the closure date and choose the reason for closure in the drop-down selection. Answer the additional questions. Click submit. Your request will be reviewed by Department staff before closing.

CLOSING A LOCATION IN MY NEVADA TAX

Accounts that have locations can click on the “View Locations” hyperlink on the right side of the screen. Choose the “Close Location” hyperlink, choose the close date, and enter an explanation then click submit. Your request will be reviewed by Department staff before closing.

NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD TAX HOLIDAY

The Nevada National Guard Sales Tax Holiday is coming October 30, 2026 through November 1, 2026. Effective July 1, 2023, Senate Bill 50 revised the way certain members of the Nevada National Guard or a qualifying relative of such members claim the Nevada Sales tax exemption. Instead of seeking the exemption by presenting the exemption letter to the retailer, the member or qualifying relative must pay the Sales tax at the time of purchase and seek a refund of the Nevada Sales tax directly from the Department.

This refund must be submitted through the My Nevada Tax website under Request a Nevada National Guard Refund, no more than 30 days after the purchase.

To request an exemption letter, Nevada National Guard members must contact their Administrative Personnel to apply before the statutorily imposed deadline each year.

For more information, please visit our website FAQs: https://tax.nv.gov/faqs/nevada-national-guard-exemption-faqs/.

TIPS TO TAXPAYERS

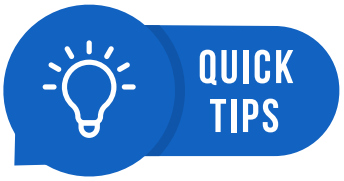
The Nevada Department of Taxation is pleased to announce the launch the final phase of its modernized e-Services platform, My Nevada Tax, taking place on Monday, December 7, 2026. This next phase expands the platform's capabilities to include the following tax types: **Bank Excise, Exhibition Facility Fee, Local Government Finance (LGF), Lodging, Cannabis Excise — Wholesale and Retail, Property Tax on Interstate and Inter-County Companies — Centrally Assessed (Mining Valuations), Tire Fee and Transportation Connection.**

My Nevada Tax offers taxpayers a convenient, secure and user-friendly online portal to manage their tax obligations, file returns, make payments and access important account information across a broad range of tax types.

Enhanced Features and Functionalities:

In addition to expanding tax types, My Nevada Tax continues to offer robust features that simplify tax compliance for Nevada taxpayers:

- File Returns and Make Payments
- Update Account Information
- View and Manage Permits and Licenses
- Business Registration & Secure Access
- Manage Multiple Business Locations
- Schedule Appointments with the Department
- Manage Corporate Officers
- Close a Tax Account



The Launch of Phase 3 marks the final milestone in the Department's effort to modernize its services, offering greater efficiency and transparency for businesses and individuals statewide.

For more information or to get started with My Nevada Tax, visit the Department of Taxation's website at tax.nv.gov.

My Nevada Tax videos can be found here: https://tax.nv.gov/education/how-to-videos-for-nevada-tax/.

Tips to Taxpayers Column: *The Nevada Department of Taxation's newsletter was called Tips to Taxpayers from its 1968 inception until 1990. The Department is paying homage to the newsletter's first decades of taxpayer assistance by including a Tips to Taxpayers column with tax account tips and hints in each edition of Nevada Tax Notes.*

If you have any questions with any matters addressed in this newsletter, please call our call center at (866) 962-3707.

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