



Informational

Bulletin

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Sales Tax Rate Change Summary

To: All retailers and servicepersons conducting business in taxing jurisdictions whose sales tax rate is changing effective January 1, 2011

This bulletin is written to inform you of recent changes; it does not replace statutes, rules and regulations, or court decisions.

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Effective **January 1, 2011**, certain taxing jurisdictions have imposed a local sales tax or changed their local sales tax rate on general merchandise sales. The following taxes are affected:

- home rule sales tax
- business district sales tax

These local sales taxes are referred to in this bulletin as "locally imposed sales tax."

You must adjust your cash register and any computer program so that beginning on January 1, 2011, you will collect and pay the correct sales tax. You need to contact your software vendor if you use software to create your forms.

To verify your new combined sales tax rate (*i.e.* state and local sales taxes), go to the **Tax Rate Finder** on our web site at tax.illinois.gov and select rates for January 2011.

What is taxed?

The same items of general merchandise reported on Line 4a of Forms ST-1 and ST-2 that are subject to state sales tax are also subject to the locally imposed sales tax.

Locally imposed sales tax does **not** apply to

- sales of qualifying food, drugs, and medical appliances¹ that are reported on Line 5a of Forms ST-1 and ST-2; or,
- items that must be titled or registered by an agency of Illinois state government and reported on Form ST-556, Sales Tax Transaction Return

Note: Some jurisdictions may impose and administer taxes **not** collected by the Illinois Department of Revenue. Contact your municipal or county clerk's office for more information.

How do I report an earlier sale that was subject to a different tax rate?

If a sale was subject to a sales tax rate different from the current sales tax rate, report this sale on Line 8a.²

Note: Line 8a is used only to report sales subject to a different sales tax rate. No other use of Line 8a is permitted.

¹ 86 Ill. Adm. Code 130.310 and 130.311.

² 86 Ill. Adm. Code 130.101 (a)



Where can I find tax rate changes or combined sales tax rates?

The chart below outlines the sales tax rate for each jurisdiction that has imposed a change in local sales tax rates effective January 1, 2011. For a complete list of all sales tax rates, go to the **Tax Rate Finder** on our web site at tax.illinois.gov.

How do I know if my sales are subject to a business district sales tax?

Your business address determines whether business district sales tax applies to your sales. Refer to our **Tax Rate Finder** on our web site at tax.illinois.gov for a list of addresses.

To verify a tax rate or business district address, select **January 2011** on the **Tax Rate Finder**.

Sales Tax Rate Changes for Sales of General Merchandise				
Jurisdiction	Combined rate as of December 31, 2010	Rate Change	NEW Combined rate as of January 1, 2011	Type of Local Tax
Municipalities				
Brighton (Jersey County)				
• Inside Central Business District	6.75%	+1.00%	7.75%	Business District
• Outside Business District	6.75%	No change	6.75%	
Brighton (Macoupin County)				
• Inside Central Business District	6.25%	+1.00%	7.25%	Business District
• Outside Business District	6.25%	No change	6.25%	
East Dundee (Kane County)				
• Inside Christina Drive Bus. District	8.50%	+0.50%	9.00%	Business District
• Inside Vlg of E. Dundee IL RTE 72 & 25 Business District	9.00%	No change	9.00%	
• Inside Dundee Gateway Bus. District	9.00%	No change	9.00%	
• Outside Business Districts	8.50%	No change	8.50%	
Lincolnshire (Lake County)	7.00%	+0.50%	7.50%	Home Rule
Maywood (Cook County)	8.50%	+1.00%	9.50%	Home Rule
McHenry (McHenry County)	7.00%	+0.50%	7.50%	Home Rule
Neoga (Cumberland County)				
• Inside Neoga Business District	6.25%	+1.00%	7.25%	Business District
• Outside Business District	6.25%	No change	6.25%	
New Athens (St. Clair County)				
• Inside New Athens Business Dist.	6.60%	+1.00%	7.60%	Business District
• Outside Business District	6.60%	No change	6.60%	
Sesser (Franklin County)	7.25%	+0.75%	8.00%	Home Rule
Venice (Madison County)				
• Inside Venice Business District	6.85%	+1.00%	7.85%	Business District
• Outside Business District	6.85%	No change	6.85%	