



1st Quarter 2008



REMINDER

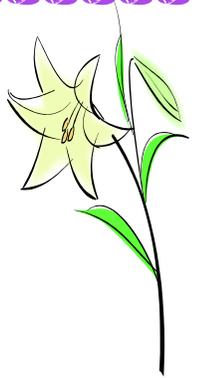


The sales tax rate is 6% during the months of April, May, June, July, August, and September. Rentals of Real Property (except for Long term residential units - see below) for thirty or more consecutive days remain at 5% (SGC 4.09.120). Bed tax remains at 6%.

A 6% sales tax chart may be obtained in our offices or on our website at www.cityofsitka.com under the "Doing Business in the City" link.

LONG TERM RENTAL ACCOUNTS

On July 1, 2007, Sitka General Code 4.09.100 (AA) went into effect making long term residential units exempt from tax. Boat stalls and trailer spaces remain taxable. In February, 2008, if you were a landlord that had only long term rental activity (thus no sales tax to remit), you were sent a letter stating that you would automatically be converted to a yearly filer unless you notified our offices that you wished to remain on a quarterly filing status or should not be eligible. We did this automatic conversion to ease the paperwork burden on everyone. If you did not receive a letter and wish to be converted to a yearly filer, please contact our offices.



Have you applied for your 2008 Resale Exemption Card???

Thank you to those businesses that are requiring presentation of the exemption cards. It is required that you document all exemptions in your records for up to 6 years.

Government Supported Non-profit Exempt Agencies

Recently the Assembly passed Ordinance 2008-04 which changed the exemption for non-profit government supported agencies to those agencies that are under IRC 501 (c) and derive at least 50% of their gross revenue from local, state, and/or federal government sources. These agencies must apply yearly for this exemption. An application is available on the website and the approved list is posted yearly on the website as well as included in the first newsletter of the year.

Reminder: Beginning this issue, newsletters are no longer being mailed. They will be available on our website, in our offices, or we will email them to you. If you would like to have the newsletter and other important correspondence such as filing reminders emailed to you, contact our office and request this at salestax@cityofsitka.com.

The City Offices will be closed Monday, May 26th recognizing Memorial Day.

1st Quarter, 2008
January, 2008
February, 2008
March, 2008
DUE APRIL 30TH



We're on the Web
www.cityofsitka.com
Under the "Doing Business in the City" link





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GOVERNMENT FUNDED TAX EXEMPT AGENCIES

2008

Expiration: 12/31/08

N08-409 Alaska Marine Safety Education Assoc.
N08-402 Alaska Network on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
N08-406 Big Brothers/Big Sisters
N08-403 Center for Community
N08-411 River's Edge Property Inc.
N08-412 Sitka Counseling & Prevention Services
N08-407 Sitka Economic Development Assoc. (SEDA)
N08-401 Sitka Trail Works
N08-405 Sitka Works
N08-417 Sitkan's Against Family Violence
N08-414 South East Regional Resource Center
N08-416 Southeast AK Indian Culture Center
N08-415 Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium
N08-408 Southeast Alaska Independent Living Sitka Branch
N08-404 Southeast Region EMS Council
N08-413 Swan Lake Senior Center (Catholic Community Services)
N08-410 Youth Advocates of Sitka

The above agencies are exempt from sales tax only in the City and Borough of Sitka; they are required to pay bed tax when applicable.

PERMANENT ISSUED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TAX EXEMPTION NUMBERS:

Below is a list of some of the common local government agencies with exemption numbers. If one is not listed and they don't know their number, please call the Sales Tax office for the number. Government agencies are exempt from sales and bed tax.

G01-0004 City of Sitka
G01-3004 Sitka Community Hospital
G01-5005 Sitka Convention & Visitor's Bureau
G00-0504 Sitka Tribe of Alaska
G00-0503 ALPS Federal Credit Union

as of March 5, 2008