

## **MAINE TAX ALERT**

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## Maine Revenue Services ("MRS") Rulemaking Activity

**Rule 301, "Sales for Resale and Sales of Packaging Materials."** MRS is proposing to amend Rule 301 to reflect that MRS no longer issues a "provisional" resale certificate. Additionally, the proposed Rule clarifies 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."** MRS is proposing to amend Rule 302 to specifically address MRS's authority to periodically review exemption certificates and revoke certificates if needed.

These proposed changes can be found on the MRS website, at

www.maine.gov/revenue/publications/rules, under "Current MRS Rulemaking Activity." Comments on the proposed changes are due by February 9, 2021 and must be directed to Alex Weber, General Counsel of MRS either by email at <u>alexander.j.weber@maine.gov</u> or by mail at P.O. Box 1060, Augusta, ME 04332-1060.

## **Fraud Alert**

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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 <u>fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov</u> as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

<u>Department</u>	<b>Telephone Numbers</b>	FAX Numbers	<u>E-mail Addresses</u>
Taxpayer Contact Center	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	<u>taxpayerassist@maine.gov</u>
Central Registration	(207) 624-5644	(207) 287-6975	taxregistration@maine.gov
Collections & Compliance	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	<u>compliance.tax@maine.gov</u>
Corporate Tax	(207) 624-9670	(207) 624-9694	<u>corporate.tax@maine.gov</u>
E-file Help Desk (1040 ONLY)	(207) 624-9730	(207) 287-6628	<u>efile.helpdesk@maine.gov</u>
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	<u>compliance.tax@maine.gov</u>
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
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Suggestions for the Tax Alert?

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