WHAT'S NEW AT NCDOR

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Overview

1 Legislative and Rule Changes

2 Service and Support Improvements

Technology Updates and Future Projects

Enforcement Initiatives



New Secretary of Revenue





- Secretary Ronald G. Penny Announced Retirement
 - Served for 8 Years
- Governor Elect Josh Stein will Appoint Successor

Legislative Updates







Legislative Updates – Overview of Legislation

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The most significant updates to were incorporated in:

- Session Law 2024-1 (Budget Technical Corrections)
- Session Law 2024-28 (Revenue Laws)
- Session Law 2024-32 (Agriculture Bill)
- Session Law 2024-41 (ABC Omnibus)





Legislative Updates Sales and Use





Remote Seller Updates



Background

- June 21, 2018 South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc.
- August 7, 2018 Directive SD-18-6
- March 20, 2019 Session Law 2019-6 Codified Econ. Nexus Threshold
 - Gross sales > \$100,000 OR
 - 200 or more separate transactions

Repeal of Transaction Thresholds

- Economic Nexus Thresholds now Gross Sales > \$100,000
 - Includes: Direct Sales and Marketplace Facilitated Sales
- Directive SD-24-1 Provides Administrative Guidance



Reference: S.L. 2024-28 (s. 2.1.(a))



E-589CI – Affidavit of Capital Improvement



Time to Obtain E-589Cl

- Within 90 Days of the Sale OR
- Within 120 Day of a request by the Secretary

Penalty for Misuse

 \$250.00 Civil Penalty – Same Penalty as misuse of an exemption cert.



Reference: S.L. 2024-28 (s. 2.4 & 3.1)



Statute of Limitations to Assess After Seller Refunds

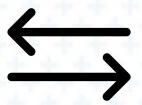


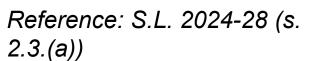
Situation

- Purchaser Requests Refund of Tax From Seller
- Seller Requests Refund from DOR
- DOR Issues Refund to Seller



3 years from Date of Refund to Assess Purchaser







Qualifying Spiritous Liquor – Max. Tax



What is Qualifying Spiritous Liquor?

- > A Single Container of Spiritous Liquor &
- ➤ Purchase Price ≥ \$50,000



Maximum Use Tax - \$1,000

Collections Options

Direct Pay Permit

- 1. Purchaser gets a Direct Pay Permit
- 2. Provides Permit to Retailer
- 3. Retailer Exempts Sale
- 4. Purchaser Pays Max Tax to DOR

Retailer Collects Tax

- 1. Retailer Collects \$1,000 Max Tax
- 2. Retailer Pays Tax to DOR

Effective January 1, 2025

Reference: S.L. 2024 41 (s.

Reference: S.L. 2024-41 (s. 23.(c))



Transportation Commerce Tax

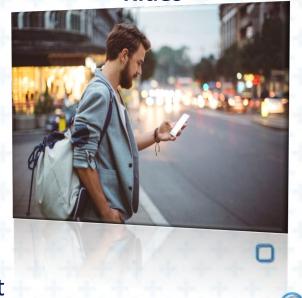
Taxi Rides



Starts July 1, 2025

- Tax Rate:
 - 1.5% for Exclusive Ride Services
 - 1.0% for Shared-Ride Services
- Used for Highway Fund
- Limited Exemptions
 - Service provided by a for-hire ground transport service provider as public transportation for certain governmental entities
 - Sales State cannot tax under Constitution

Transportation
Network Company
Rides





Reference: S.L. 2023-124 (s. 42.19)



New Form - E-589P



PRINT CLEAR NCDOR E-589P Affidavit of Tax Paid by Real Property Contractor Purpose: Real Property Contractors use this form to certify they have paid the sales and use tax due on all items used in a real property contract. Part I - Contractor Information. Enter your information in the spaces provided. General Instructions Real Property Contractor: Verify you have paid the sales and use tax due on all items used Real Property Contractor (e.g. General Contractor or Subcontractor) in the real property contract. Complete this affidavit. Provide the affidavit to the owner, tenant/lessee, or general contractor for the project, as applicable. Owner or Tenant/Lessee or General Contractor: Step 1: Request all contractors complete this form after performing a real property contract. Step 2: Keep a copy of the completed affidavits in your records. Part II - Owner, Tenant/Lessee or General Contractor Information. Enter the information of the owner, tenant/lessee, and/or general contractor. The persons listed below will be relieved of liability if additional tax is found to be due on covered items. Important: If you are a general contractor certifying that you paid sales and use tax on items, do not list yourself in this section. General Contractor State Zip Code Part III - Covered Project and Property. Enter information describing in detail the capital improvement you performed in the spaces provided Project Address (where the work was performed) Part IV - Certification of North Carolina Sales and Use Tax Paid I certify that I have authority to execute this form on behalf of the contractor identified in Part I ("Executing Contractor"). I understand that this affidavit only addresses items purchased by the Executing Contractor that were attached to real property at the project address listed in Part III as part of the project listed in Part III ("Covered Items"). I certify that the Executing Contractor paid all North Carolina sales and use tax due on all Covered Items. The sales and use tax paid includes any State, I understand that this affidavit relieves the persons listed in Part II from liability for any additional North Carolina sales and use tax found to be due on Signature of Authorized Person:



Legislative Updates Income and Franchise Tax



Individual Income Tax Rate





Tax year 2023 - 4.75%

Tax year 2024 - 4.5%

Tax year 2025 - 4.25%



Future Individual Income Tax Rate?

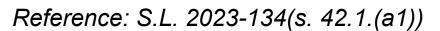


General Fund Revenue > Trigger Amount = Rate Reduction

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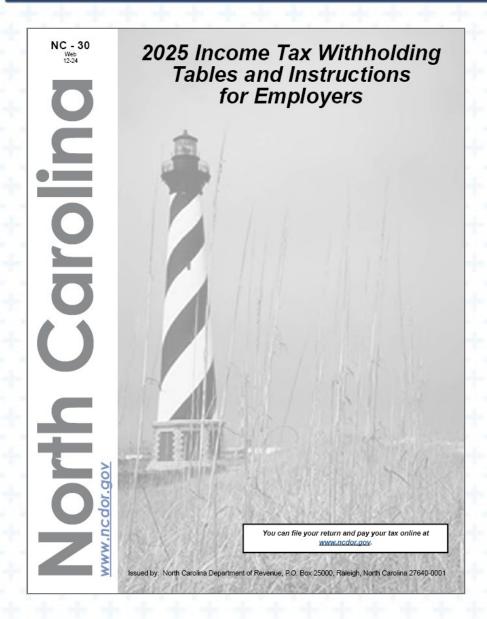
- > The prior year's tax rate decreased by .50% or
- > 2.49%

Fiscal Year	Trigger Amount	Taxable Year Beginning	Aug. General Fund Revenue
FY 2023-2024	N/A	N/A	\$33,694,000,000
FY 2024-2025	N/A	N/A	?
FY 2025-2026	\$33,042,000,000	In 2027	?
FY 2026-2027	\$34,100,000,000	In 2028	?
FY 2027-2028	\$34,760,000,000	In 2029	?
FY 2028-2029	\$35,750,000,000	In 2030	?
FY 2029-2030	\$36,510,000,000	In 2031	?
FY 2030-2031	\$38,000,000,000	In 2032	?
FY 2031-2032	\$38,500,000,000	In 2033	?
FY 2032-2033	\$39,000,000,000	In 2034	?



Withholding Tax





- For tax year 2025, the withholding rate on wages paid in 2025 is 4.35% (4.25% + 0.1%)
- Publication NC-30 will include revised withholding tables and alternative methods of calculating the amount of tax due.
- Tables are broken down by filing status, pay period, amount of pay and number of allowances claimed.
- Publication NC-30 is available on the Department's website.



Extended Corporate Extensions

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- 2025 Corporate & Franchise Tax extensions change from <u>6</u> months to <u>7</u> months starting with tax year 2025
- Rules Review Commission approved amended 17 NCAC 05C .2004 on October 30, 2024







Franchise Tax Rate: 2025 and Later

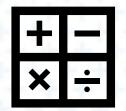


C Corporations:

- Cap of \$500 on first \$1M of the net worth tax base
- \$1.50 per \$1000 on the remainder of the base amount
- \$200 minimum; no maximum

S Corporations:

- Cap of \$200 on first \$1M of the net worth tax base
- \$1.50 per \$1000 on the remainder of the base amount
- \$200 minimum; no maximum



Effective for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2025, and applicable to the 2024 and later corporate tax returns.

NCDOR Corporate Income Tax Rate

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Taxable Years Beginning	Tax Rate		
2024	2.50%		
2025	2.25%		
2026	2.00%		
2028	1.00%		
2030	0%		



(Effective for taxable years beginning on or after Jan 1, 2025; S.L. 2021-180, SB 105.)

NCDOR Tax Credit for Certain Real Property Donations

Reenacted Tax Credit

- **Purpose** Incentivize donations of real property for forestland and farmland preservation, fish and wildlife conservation, military use, floodplain protection, historic landscape preservation, and for public trails.
- **Timing** Qualifying donations made January 1, 2025 December 1, 2026.
- Key Requirements Donation meets all of the stated conditions, including:



- Property must be donated in perpetuity for one of the uses listed in the statute.
- Must be donated to:
 - the State,
 - > a local government, or
 - ➤ a body organized to receive and administer conservation land.

NCDOR Tax Credit for Certain Real Property Donations

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- Available to individuals, corporations, and certain pass-through entities. A Taxed PTE is not eligible to claim the tax credit.
- The General Assembly capped the amount of all qualifying tax credits at \$5 million. Taxpayers must apply for the tax credit.
- The application is due on or before April 15th of the year following the calendar year of the donation, i.e., tax year 2026.



The Department will publish specific guidance and an application to apply for the tax credit in 2025.

Reference: S.L. 2024-32 (s. 15)

2024 Hurricane Helene Relief





Hurricane Relief











Relief - Hurricane Relief



Types of Relief

Automatic Interest Relief

Penalty Relief

Interest Relief by **Application**

(Filed on or before 11/25)

Factors

Location of Taxpayer

Type of Tax

Tax Period

Date of Payment or Filing

Extension of Time to File?

Application?















Penalty Relief - Hurricane Relief

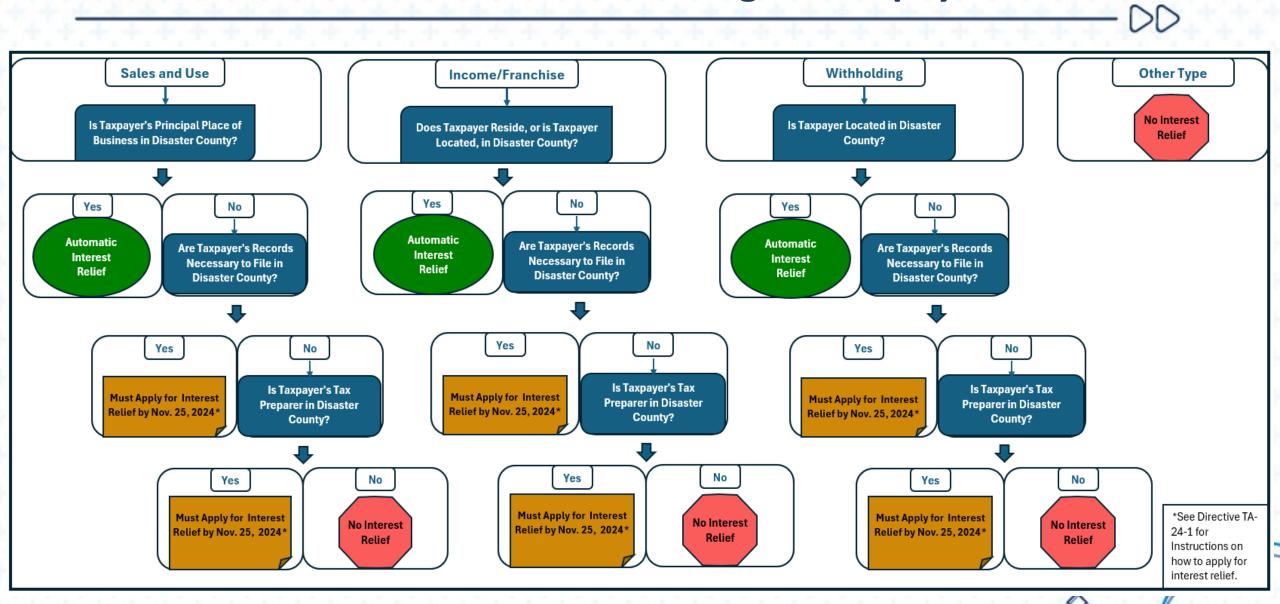
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- October 3, 2024 Announced Penalty Relief
- DOR will remove "Late Action Penalties" assessed against all taxpayers affected by Hurricane Helene who reside in or have a business in North Carolina for tax returns or payments due on September 25, 2024, through May 1, 2025.
- Late Action Penalties are:
 - Failure to Obtain a License
 - Failure to File a Return
 - Failure to Pay Tax When Due
 - Failure to File an Information Return



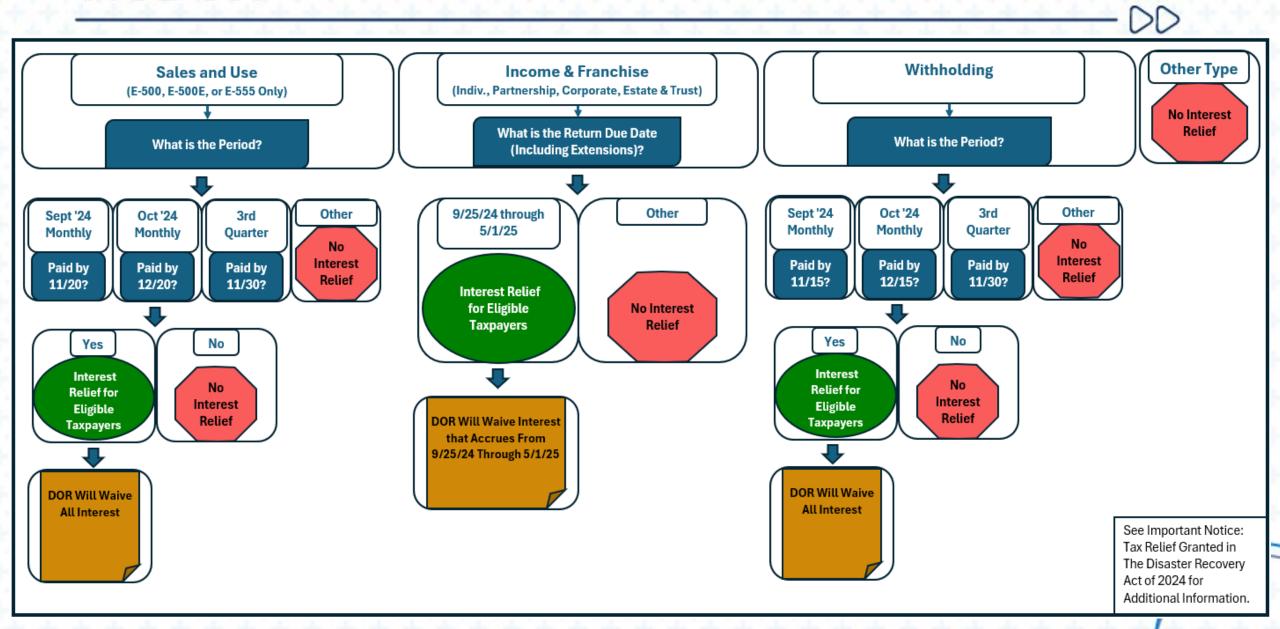


Interest Relief – Eligible Taxpayers





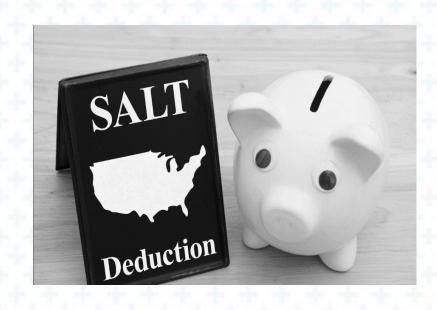
Interest Relief





Taxed PTE Election – Hurricane Relief





- An eligible partnership or an S Corporation must make the Taxed PTE Election on its timely filed annual North Carolina tax return.
- The 2024 General Assembly provided eligible partnerships and S Corporations affected by Hurricane Helene additional time to make the Taxed PTE election
- The PTE election for tax year 2023 will be considered timely on an annual return due after September 25, 2024, and before May 1, 2025, if the election is made on a return filed on or before May 1, 2025.

Reference: S.L. 2024-51 (s. 13.1(d))

Service and Support Improvements



NCDOR Power of Attorney Improvements: Submission Options

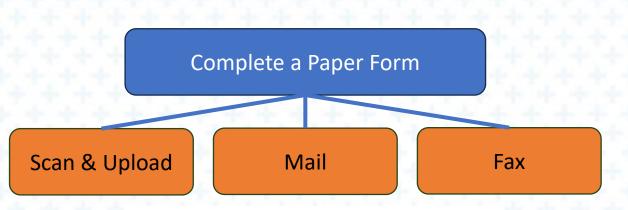
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Complete Electronically at ncdor.gov (DocuSign)

Submits Electronically



Online





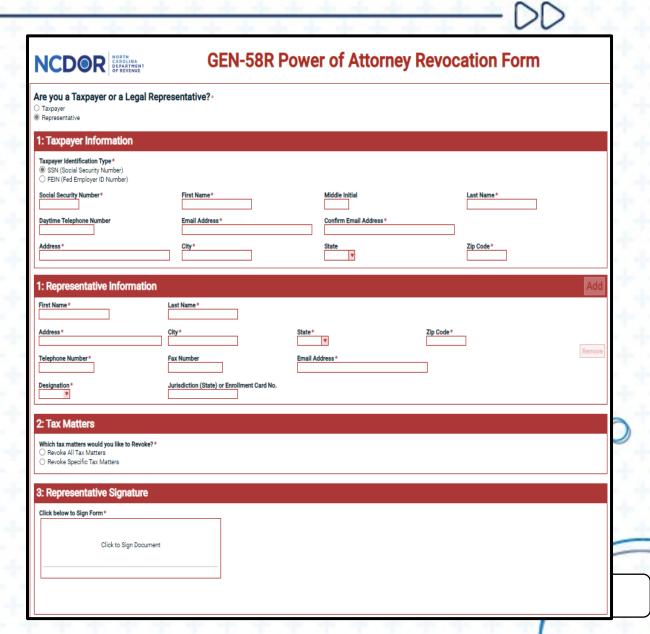
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Power of Attorney Improvements: Revoking a POA

Power of Attorney Revocation (GEN-58R)

Electronic Option





Copies of Notices - Overview

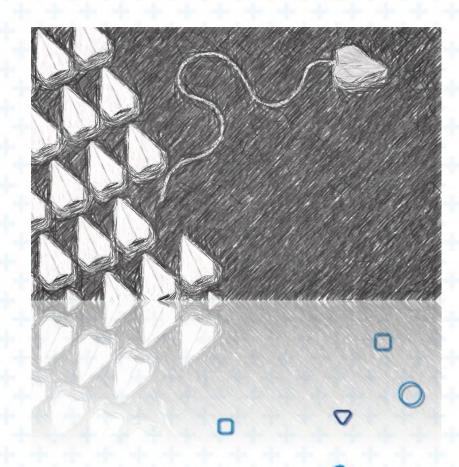
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Multi-Year Project to Send Copies of Notices to Eligible POAs

DOR Started Sending Week of November 18th!

Initially Copies of Notices of Collection

Additional Notice Types will Be Sent in the Future ("Bill of Rights Notices")







Copies of Notices - Reminders to Receive Copies

- Active POA for Taxpayer
- POA Includes Tax Type and Period

Type of Tax

Begin Tax Period

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Entered Email on POA Form

Email Address

Checked Box on POA Form

Check to	receive	available
notice co	pies.	

NCDOR Web-Fill 8-19-24

GEN-58 Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative

DOR Use Only

Part 1. Power of Attorney (Please type or print.)		ID Type (Specify one) 8 8N (Social Security Number) or FEIIN (Fed Employer ID Number)					
1 Taxpayer Information				FEIN (Fed	a Employer ID	Number,)
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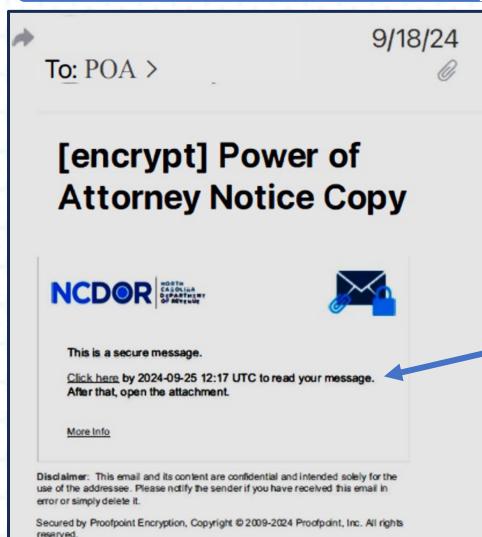
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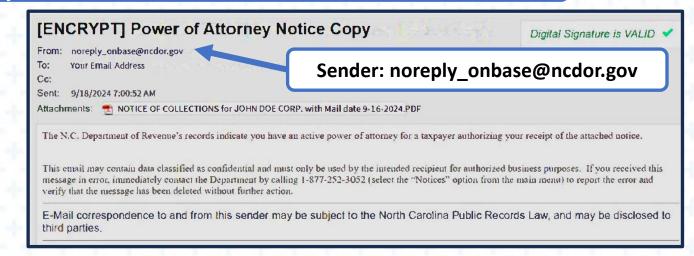


Copies of Notices - What You Will Receive

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Encrypted Email



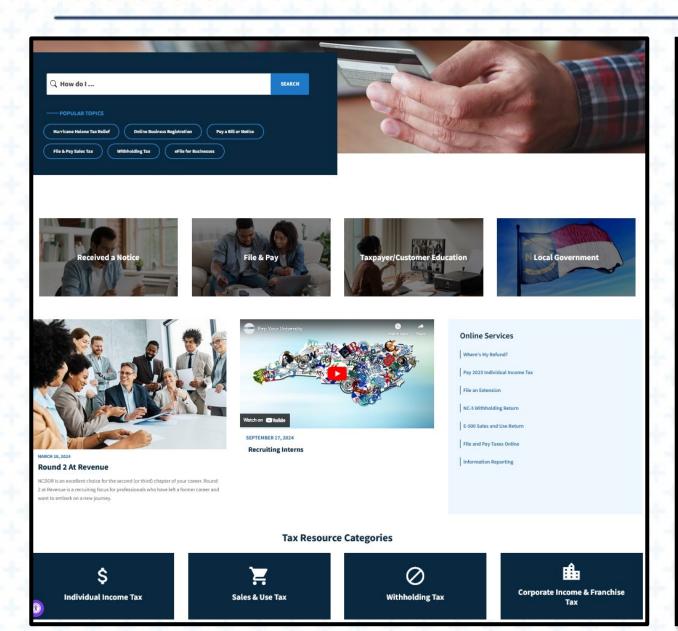


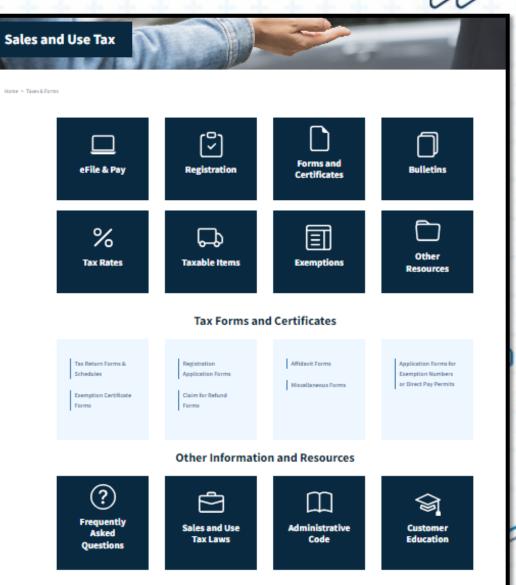
Reminder: Save or print the notice within 7 days



Website Improvements







New Electronic Options

- Form NC-5502 Special Penalty and Interest Waiver
- *Coming Soon* Other Penalty Waiver Forms
- Letter of Good Standing Requests
- Form NC-AC Business Address Correction
- Form NC-BN Out of Business Notification



Technology Updates and Future Projects





System Modernization





Budget Funds



Enhanced Customer Service



Efforts Underway



Expanded File and Payment



Multi-year Project



Online Portal



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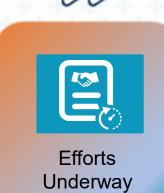
System Modernization







• Starting Other Prep Work



New and Updated Enforcement Initiatives



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Collections - What's New?

Special Operations Teams

Units focused on resolving specific segments of our accounts receivable.

- Income Non-Filer
- Accounts Receivable Reduction
- Large Case
- Interstate
- Correspondence (Process Installment Agreement Exception Requests)

Website Updates - Increased Accessibility and Simplify Language

- Updated Offer In Compromise Instruction Booklet
- Adding Innocent Spouse Relief information
- Enhanced Collection FAQs (garnishments and installment agreements)

Collections – Statute of Limitations



Statute of Limitations on Collections (G.S. § 105-241.24.)

- DOR may collect tax for 10 years from date collectible under G.S. 105-241.22
- May be tolled for same reasons as enforcement period for a CTL (G.S. 105-242(c))
- If not collected within authorized time frame, the remaining liability is abated.

Impact on Certificates of Tax Liability

- Generally, CTL is enforceable for 10 years
- However, enforcement period may not extend beyond the new statute of limitations



Collections – New Focus on Filing Liens



New Focus on Filing Liens if Taxpayer:

- Owns real property
- Fails to respond to letters, notices of intent, or agent outreach
- Refuses to establish a payment plan or defaults on an existing payment plan
- Other forced collection attempts have been unsuccessful





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Collections – Corporate Suspension

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Old Process

- Done at One Time
- Based on Franchise Tax
- Frequent Complaints



New Process

- Not Done at One Time
- More Tax Types Including:
 - Sales and Use, Withholding,
 Income etc.
- Research Prior to Suspension
 - Compliance History
 - Multiple Delinquent Periods
 - Outstanding Balances



Note: Reinstatement still requires total compliance including payment in full. G.S. § 105-232

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