

Jefferson County Public Safety Tax Car Dealers and Leasing Companies Effective April 1, 2011

Effective April 1, 2011, local sales and use tax within all of Jefferson County will increase three-tenths of one percent (.003). The tax will be used for criminal justice and public safety purposes.

Businesses must collect the appropriate new rate of sales tax for retail sales and services provided with Jefferson County. Persons or businesses within Jefferson County will be subject to the new rate of use tax on items purchased for their personal or business use if sales tax has not been paid.

Special Reporting Instructions for Sales or Leases of Motor Vehicles:

Businesses that report sales or leases of motor vehicles (for up to the first thirty-six months of the lease) will need to report using the following location codes and tax rates. After the thirty-six months of motor vehicle leases, the original city/county code would be used.

Location	Location Code Number	Local Sales Tax Rate	State Sales Tax Rate	Total Sales Tax Rate
Unincorporated Areas - MVET	1650	.019	.065	.084
Port Townsend - MVET	1651	.019	.065	.084

Reporting Instructions for Retail Sales:

Business that report retail sales (other than sales or leases of motor vehicles) will need to report using the following location codes and tax rates:

Location	Location Code Number	Local Sales Tax Rate	State Sales Tax Rate	Total Sales Tax Rate
Unincorporated Areas	1600	.022	.065	.087
Port Townsend	1601	.022	.065	.087

Below is an example of how to report local retail sales tax on your excise tax return assuming sales of motor vehicles total \$50,000 and repairs total \$10,000 in Port Townsend.

Location Code	Taxable Amount	Local Rate	Tax Due City or Co.
1601	10,000 00	.022	220 00
1651	50,000 00	.019	950 00
TOTAL TAXABLE	60,000 00	TOTAL	1170 00

New sales tax applies i.e. service and parts.

Represents only motor vehicle sales.

Tax Classification	Taxable Amount	Rate	Tax Due
Motor Vehicle Sales/Leases (eff. 7/1/03)	50,000 00	.003	150 00

Note: The three-tenths of one percent (.003) Motor Vehicle Sales/Lease Tax that was implemented July 1, 2003 still applies to the sale, lease, or rental of motor vehicles.

To determine the proper codes and rates of local sales tax you may access our Tax Rate Lookup Tool located at dor.wa.gov. On the home page, click on the **Find a sales tax rate (GIS) link**.

This notice is being sent to businesses that have reported local sales or use tax to any of the above location codes within the last year.

If you have questions, or if Sales Tax Collection Schedules are needed, please go to our web site at dor.wa.gov or call the Department of Revenue at 1-800-647-7706.