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LOTUS & WINDOWARE, INC. ACCOUNT APPLICATION

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Applicant (Legal Business	Name):						
List DBAs:							
Phone:			Fax:				
E-Mail Contact:							
Mailing Address:						□Rent	□Own
City:		State:			Zip:	-	
Physical Address (if differen	nt from above):					Rent	□ Own
City:		St	tate:		Zip:	-	
Mortgagor or Lessor:				Phone:			
Business Entity:	☐ Sole Propri	ietor Partners	ship Corporation	_			
Proprietor, Partners or Corporate			ers	SSN or FEIN			
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Authorized Purchasers:				1			
(Applicant agrees to notify Lotus &	Windoware, Inc. immedia	ately if this authoriza	tion changes.)				
Business Start Date	Sales Tax	Number	Annual Revenues		Customer Base		
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Bank & Branch		Account Number			Phone		
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Trade References		Account Number			Phone		
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Credit Line Requested:							
Where did you hear about u	s?						

The Applicant authorizes the Company to make inquiry of trade or bank references and other credit agencies for purposes of determining credit extension. Please read the terms and conditions described on the reverse side of this application and sign where indicated. Lotus & Windoware, Inc. appreciates your business. Please insure that this application has been completely filled out to assist us with processing your request as quickly as possible. All information is required even if open credit is not being requested. *Credit line of \$5000 assumed if amount is not specified.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In consideration for credit extended by Lotus & Windoware Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "Company", the Applicant, hereinafter referred to as the "Customer", agrees to be bound by the following terms and conditions.

Customer agrees to pay all charges as set forth on the invoice. Items remaining open beyond the invoice term will be charged interest at a rate of 1.5% monthly. Any payment received by the Company which is returned by the Customer's bank as NSF, Refer to Maker, Account Closed or for any other reason will require that the Customer pay a service charge of \$25.00 and may, at the discretion of the Company, subject the unpaid balance to interest penalties as described above. No shipments shall be made to past due accounts.

Damages and shortages must be reported to the carrier at the time of delivery and noted on the delivery receipt. Acceptance of delivery without noting damage or shortage shall mean that the complete order was delivered in good condition and shall operate as a waiver of any claim for lost, missing or damage product. Damaged items must be held for 14 days for inspection if deemed necessary by either the Company or the freight carrier. Claims for damaged merchandise, shortages or any other product dispute must be brought to the attention of the Company within 48 hours of the date of delivery. The Customer must contact customer service at RMA@lotusblind.com or (800) 338-8826 to receive a Return Merchandise Authorization before shipping any product back to the Company. Product returns which have been authorized by the Company, but are the result of errors in the Customer's purchase order, will be shipped at the Customer's expense and shall be subject to a restocking charge of not less than 35% of the invoice amount.

The failure to timely deliver notice of missing or damaged items shall operate as a waiver of any claim for missing or damaged product.

Upon receipt of notice of damage or missing product, the Company will arrange for any damaged product not refunded at delivery to be picked up by the carrier. The Company will then issue a credit for replacement product in its sole and absolute discretion.

If products are shipped to Customer in a Shipping or Cargo Container (which, together with the chassis and related equipment shall be referred to as the "Container") and the Container is left with Customer, the Customer shall be solely liable for the Container and all product in the Container from the date of delivery until Customer has returned the Container to the Company or Shipper regardless of whether the Container is delivered to the Customer or to an end user. While the Container is in the care, custody or control of Customer, Customer shall indemnify Company for any damage or loss to the Container or any Company property delivered with the Container, whether delivered to the Customer or to an end user.

If Customer elects to dropship orders to their customer's location, Customer remains solely liable for receipt of all documentation and that the receiving requirements identified above and in "Receiving Instructions" have been adhered to. Failure to do so will relieve the Company of all liability for drop shipped items.

This Lotus & Windoware, Inc. Account Application ("Application") and the Guaranty below is further subject to the Company's Terms and Conditions ("T&Cs") provided herewith and on any applicable Company invoice to Customer. This Application, the T&Cs and any invoice together represent the exclusive, only and entire agreement between the parties unless modified in a written addendum hereto, signed and dated by the parties hereto. The undersigned further understands and agrees that Seller rejects and objects to any terms proposed by Customer which are additional to or different from those set forth in this Application, the T&Cs and any invoice. In the event that legal action is necessary to enforce any of the terms set forth on this Application, the T&Cs or invoices, including any action for collection, the Customer agrees to be responsible for all attorney fees. Applicant hereby waives its right to assert jurisdiction and/or venue outside of San Bernardino County, California, with respect to any dispute arising from or relating to this Agreement. The parties specifically consent to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue in the state or federal courts, as appropriate, located in San Bernardino County, California.

Customer has thoroughly read and understands all of the terms and conditions applicable to this application for credit and agrees to be bound by all of the provisions contained herein. Customer further warrants that the information provided on this application is true and correct, and Customer authorizes the Company to contact any of the suppliers or financial institutions the Customer has referenced on this Application to verify the information provided.

Signature of Applicant	Date	
Print Name & Title	-	

In ord	der to consider granting terms for a credit line and determining the amount, we will need to do any or all of the following:
1.	Contact current bank references.
2.	Contact current trade references.
3.	Contact and obtain a credit report from one of the national credit reporting agencies.
	er, in order to increase or maintain any credit terms that are granted to Applicant, Company may need to access this same mation in the future.
Plea	se indicate your acceptance of these conditions below and return this acknowledgment and agreement to:
	Credit & Collection Department e-mail: ar@lotusblind.com Fax: 909-597-9726
	licant authorizes Company to obtain one or more credit reports and to contact trade and bank references in order to consider ally granting credit and / or to maintain or increase an open credit line in the future.
Sign	nature of Applicant Title Date
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	CONTINUING GUARANTEE
timel Com other paym insol exter agair prote exha	undersigned ("Guarantor") jointly and severally (if more than one guarantor) guaranty unconditionally and absolutely the full and y payment, when due, of all indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations (collectively, the "Obligations") owed by Applicant to the pany and its subsidiaries, including, without limitation, default interest and court costs, attorney fees, collection agency fees, and costs of collecting any indebtedness, whether now existing or hereafter created or arising. This personal guaranty is a guaranty of nent and not of collection. Guarantor agrees that its liability hereunder will not be released or reduced in the event of: (a) the vency, bankruptcy, or discharge of Applicant; (b) the renewal, extension, modification or amendment of the terms of the credit aded to Applicant; or (c) the failure, delay, or waiver by the Company and its subsidiaries to exercise, in whole or in part, any right ast Applicant. Guarantor hereby waives presentment, demand for payment, notice of dishonor or nonpayment, protest and notice of set with respect to the Obligations and any requirement that suit be brought against, demand be made on, or any other action or ustion of remedies by the Company be taken against the Customer or any other person first as a condition to Guarantor's obligations or this guaranty.
Signa	ature of Guarantor Date
Print	Name

UNIFORM SALES & USE TAX RESALE CERTIFICATE — MULTIJURISDICTION

The below-listed states have indicated that this certificate is acceptable as a resale/exemption certificate for sales/use tax, subject to the instructions and notes on pages 2—6. The issuing Buyer and the recipient Seller have the responsibility to determine the proper use of this certificate under applicable laws in each state, as these may change from time to time. This form was revised as of October 14, 2022.

that: f Firm (Buyer)):	_	is engaged or is registered as a Wholesaler Retailer Manufacturer
		_	Seller Lessor (see notes on pages 2—4)
		-	Other (Specify)
es are for wholes. Buyer is in the	s/use tax with the below-listed states and citie sale, resale, or ingredients or components of a business of wholesaling, retailing, manufacture.	new product o rring, leasing (
description of ta	ingible property or taxable services to be purch	hased from the	e Seller:
	ate Registration, Seller's Permit, or ID	State	State Registration, Seller's Permit, or ID Number of Purchaser
AK/ARSSTC ¹		MO ¹⁹	
AL^2		NE	
AR		NV^{20}	
AZ^3		NJ	
CA ⁴ CO ^{5,6}		NM ^{5,21} NC ²²	
CT ⁷		ND ND	+
FL ⁸		OH ²³	
GA ⁹		OK ²⁴	
HI ^{5,10}		PA ²⁵	
ID ¹¹		RI ²⁶	
IL ^{5,12}		SC	
IA KS ¹³		SD ²⁷ TN ²⁸	
KY ¹⁴		TX ²⁹	
ME ¹⁵		UT	
MD ¹⁶		VT ³⁰	
MI^{17}		WA ³¹ WI ³²	
MN ¹⁸		WI ³²	

INSTRUCTIONS

In order to comply with state and local sales tax law requirements, the Seller must have in its files a properly completed exemption certificate from all of its customers (Buyers) who claim a sales/use tax exemption. If the Seller does not have this certificate, it is obliged to collect the tax for the state in which the property or service is delivered.

Generally, a Buyer must be registered as a retailer for sales/use tax in states where the Buyer has sales/use tax nexus. The sales/use tax registration number for the state should be entered on this certificate in the box for that state. A Buyer has sales/use tax nexus in a state if the Buyer has physical presence in that state or has made sufficient sales to cust omers in that state to have sales/use tax economic nexus. The threshold of sales activity needed to establish sales/use tax economic nexus may differ by state. If the Buyer is entitled to claim a resale sales tax exemption or exclusion, the Buyer should complete the certificate and send it to the Seller at the time of purchase or as soon thereafter as possible. If the Buyer purchases tax free for a reason other than resale, ingredient or component exemption, the Buyer cannot use this form and must provide to the Seller the proper state exemption certificate for that specific exemption.

Caution: Misuse of this certificate by Buyer, Seller, lessor, lessee, or the representative thereof may be punishable by fine, imprisonment or loss of right to issue or accept a certificate in some states or cities.

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- 1. Alaska Remote Sellers Sales Tax Commission (ARSSTC): This certificate is valid as a resale certificate only if it contains the purchaser's name, address, signature and either the purchaser's ARSSTC Remote Reseller Certificate of Exemption number or the purchaser's resale certificate number issued by the local taxing jurisdiction. The purchaser should also provide a general description of the tangible personal property or taxable services that are being purchased from the seller. The purchaser's claim for exemption may be verified by calling the ARSSTC at 907-790-5300.
- 2. Alabama: Each retailer shall be responsible for determining the validity of a purchaser's claim for exemption.
- 3. Arizona: This certificate may be used only when making <u>purchases</u> of tangible personal property for resale in the ordinary course of business, and not for any other statutory deduction or exemption. It is valid as a resale certificate only if it contains the purchaser's name, address, signature, and Arizona transaction privilege tax (or other state sales tax) license number, as required by Arizona Revised Statutes § 42-5022, *Burden of proving sales not at retail*.
- 4. California: a) This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. Its use is limited to use as a resale certificate subject to the provisions of Title 18, California Code of Regulations, Section 1668 (Sales and Use Tax Regulation 1668, Resale Certificate).
 - b) By use of this certificate, the purchaser certifies that the property is purchased for resale in the regular course of business in the form of tangible personal property, which includes property incorporated as an ingredient or component of an item manufactured for resale in the regular course of business.
 - c) When the applicable tax would be sales tax, it is the Seller who owes that tax unless the Seller takes a timely and valid resale certificate in good faith.
 - d) A valid resale certificate is effective until the issuer revokes the certificate.
- 5. Colorado, Hawaii, Illinois, and New Mexico: these states do not permit the use of this certificate to claim a resale exemption for the purchase of a taxable service for resale.
- 6. Colorado: Sellers should review 1 Code Colo. Regs. 201-1, Rule 39-26-105-3 (Documenting Exempt Sales) prior to accepting this form. The Colorado Department of Revenue collects and administers the state sales and use taxes and the sales and use taxes of certain cities, counties, and special districts (see department publication DR 1002). Use of this form (along with the other documentation required by department rule) is acceptable for taxes administered by the Colorado Department of Revenue. This form may not be accepted by self-collecting Colorado home-rule cities. Sellers are advised to contact those cities directly for further instruction.
- 7. Connecticut: This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. Its use is limited to use as a resale certificate subject to Conn. Gen. State §§12-410(5) and 12-411(14) and regulations and administrative pronouncements pertaining to resale certificates. The good faith of the seller will be questioned if it has knowledge of facts which give rise to a reasonable inference that the purchaser does not intend to resell the property, as, for example, knowledge that the purchaser of particular merchandise (or service) is not engaged in the business of selling that kind of merchandise (or service).
- 8. Florida: Allows the Multistate Tax Commission's Uniform Sales and Use Tax Resale Certificate Multijurisdiction for tax-exempt purchases for resale; however, the selling dealer must also obtain a resale

- authorization number from the Florida Department of Revenue at <u>floridarevenue.com/taxes/certificates</u>, or by calling 877-357-3725, and entering the purchaser's Florida *Annual Resale Certificate* number.
- 9. Georgia: a) The purchaser's state-of-registration number will be accepted in lieu of Georgia's registration number when the purchaser is located outside Georgia, does not have nexus with Georgia, and the tangible personal property is delivered by drop shipment to the purchaser's customer located in Georgia.
 - b) The certificate relieves the seller from the burden of proof on sales for resale if the seller acquires from the purchaser a properly completed certificate, taken in good faith, from a purchaser who:
 - (i) Is engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property;
 - (ii) Has a valid sales tax registration number at the time of purchase and has listed his or her sales tax number on the certificate; and
 - (iii) At the time of purchasing the tangible personal property, the seller has no reason to believe that the purchaser does not intend to resell it in his or her regular course of business.
- 10. Hawaii: Allows this certificate to be used by the seller to claim a lower general excise tax rate or no general excise tax, rather than the buyer claiming an exemption. The no tax situation occurs when the purchaser of imported goods certifies to the seller, who originally imported the goods into Hawaii, that the purchaser will resell the imported goods at wholesale. If the lower rate or no-tax does not in fact apply to the sale, the purchaser is liable to pay the seller the additional tax imposed. See Hawaii Dept. of Taxation Tax Information Release No. 93-5, November 10, 1993, and Tax Information Release No. 98-8, October 30, 1998.
- 11. Idaho: This certificate may be used only when making purchases of tangible personal property for resale in the ordinary cours e of business, and not for any other statutory deduction or exemption. It is valid as a resale certificate only if it complies with Idaho Code Section 63-3622(c).
- 12. Illinois: Use of this certificate in Illinois is subject to the provisions of 86 Ill. Adm. Code Ch.I, Sec. 130.1405 (Seller's Responsibility to Obtain Certificates of Resale and Requirements for Certificates of Resale). Illinois does not have an exemption for sales of property for subsequent lease or rental, except as follows: (i) a motor vehicle that is used for automobile renting subject to the Automobile Renting Occupation and Use tax Act (35 ILCS 120/2-5(7)) and (ii) merchandise that the purchaser certifies is purchased to be rented subject to the Rental Purchase Agreement Occupation and Use Tax Act (35 ILCS 120/2-5(43)). Buyers purchasing items for lease or rental that meet either of these two exceptions should not use this Uniform Sales and Use Tax Resale Certificate, but instead must provide to Sellers proof of registration for the Automobile Renting Occupation and Use Tax or the Rental Purchase Agreement Occupation and Use Tax, as appropriate, and, in the case of the Rental Purchase Agreement Occupation and Use Form ST-261 (Exemption Certificate for Property Subject to Rental Purchase Agreement Tax). The use of this certificate for claiming resale purchases of services does not have any application in Illinois.

The registration number to be supplied next to Illinois on page 1 of this certificate must be the Illinois registration or re sale number; no other state's registration number is acceptable.

"Good faith" is not the standard of care to be exercised by a retailer in Illinois. A retailer in Illinois is not required to determine whether the purchaser actually intends to resell the item. Instead, a retailer must confirm that the purchaser has a valid registration or resale number at the time of purchase. If a purchaser fails to provide a certificate of resale at the time of sale in Illinois, the seller must charge the purchaser tax.

While there is no statutory requirement that blanket certificates of resale be renewed at certain intervals, blanket certificates should be updated periodically, and no less frequently than every three years.

13. Kansas: Purchaser must enter a valid Kansas Registration Number issued by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Exemption certificates must be obtained from the purchaser at the time of the sale, but no later than 90 days subsequent to the date of sale. This resale certificate may only be used as a resale exemption certificate or ingredient or component part exemption certificate. This resale certificate may not be used by contractors to purchase materials without sales tax. This resale certificate may not be used by Manufacturing Companies to purchase machinery and equipment without sales tax. See Kansas Certificate ST-201. This resale certificate need not be renewed or updated when there is a recurring business relationship between the buyer and seller. A recurring business relationship exists when a period of no more than 12 months elapses between sales transactions. This resale certificate cannot be used by contractors to purchase labor services from other contractors without tax.

- 14. Kentucky: a) Kentucky does not permit the use of this certificate to claim a resale exclusion for the purchase of admissions.
 - b) This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. Its use is limited to use as a resale certificate subject to the provisions of Kentucky Revised Statute 139.270.
 - c) The use of this certificate by the purchaser constitutes the issuance of a blanket certificate in accordance with Kentucky Administrative Regulation 103 KAR 31:111.
- 15. Maine: This state does not have an exemption for sales of property for subsequent lease or rental. This certificate is not valid for use by manufacturers purchasing tangible personal property that becomes an ingredient or component part of a product manufactured by the manufacturer. Please use Maine's Industrial Users Exemption Certificate (ST-A-117).
- 16. Maryland: This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. Its use is limited to use as a resale certificate subject to the provisions of Md Tax Gen §11-408(b). All claims for the resale exclusion, even those made with this certificate, must include the Buyer's Maryland sales and use tax registration number. Certificates without a Maryland sales and use tax registration number will not be honored by the State. Ho wever, in lieu of a sale and use tax registration number, sellers may accept resale certificates that bear the exemption number issued to a religious organization. Exemption certifications issued to religious organizations consist of 8 digits, the first two of which are always "29". Maryland sales and use tax registration numbers, exemptions, and direct pay numbers may be verified on the website of the Comptroller of the Treasury at www.marylandtaxes.gov.
- 17. Michigan: Blanket certificates are effective for a period of four years unless a lesser period is mutually agreed to and stated on this certificate. A seller who receives and maintains a record of a properly completed certificate is not generally liable for sales or use tax on the transaction, even if a purchaser improperly claims an exemption. There are certain limited situations in which a seller can be liable for the tax, such as those involving fraud on the part of the seller. For more information, see revenue Administrative Bulletin (RAB) 2016-14.
- 18. Minnesota: Purchaser's Minnesota tax identification number should be inserted into the row labeled "MN" in the state chart on page 1. If purchaser does not have a Minnesota tax identification number, the following are acceptable:

Purchaser's tax identification number issued by a state other than Minnesota and the name of the state;

Purchaser's federal Employer identification Number;

The number of Purchaser's valid state -issued driver's license, or a valid state -issued identification number, along with the state of issue.

Purchaser must identify purchaser's type of business using Minnesota's business -type coding system. Check the correct box near the top of page 1. If you check the box labeled "Other," provide the appropriate Minnesota business code in the space following the "Other" check box. You can find a list of Minnesota business codes on the Minnesota exemption certificate (Form ST3).

Purchaser must update the certificate data, as necessary, if this certificate is to be used as a blanket exemption certificate for continuing future purchases.

Note that Minnesota allows this certificate to be used to claim a resale exemption only. It does not permit this certificate to be used to claim any other type of exemption. To claim an exemption other than resale, use the Minnesota exemption certificate (Form ST3) or the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board exemption certificate (Form F0003).

- 19. Missouri:
- a) Purchasers who improperly purchase property or services sales-tax free using this certificate may be required to pay the tax, interest, additions to tax, or penalty.
- b) Even if property is delivered outside Missouri, facts and circumstances may subject it to Missouri tax, contrary to the second sentence of the first paragraph of the above instructions.

- 20. Nevada:
- a) This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. Its use is limited to use as a resale certificate subject to the provisions of NRS 372.165, NRS 372.170, NRS 372.175 and NRS 372.180 regarding sales tax, and NRS 372.235, NRS 372.240 and NRS 372.245 regarding use tax.
- b) By use of this certificate, the purchaser certifies that the property is purchased for resale in the regular course of business in the form of tangible personal property, which includes property incorporated as an ingredient or component of an item manufactured for resale in the regular course of business.
- c) When the applicable tax would be sales tax, it is the Seller who owes that tax unless the Seller takes a timely and valid resale certificate.
- d) A valid resale certificate is typically effective until the issuer revokes the certificate, but periodic renewal of the certificate is recommended.
- e) Contractors are generally considered consumers of tangible personal property pursuant to NAC 372.200 and are unable and should not use this certificate, and Sellers should not accept it from a contractor.
- 21. New Mexico: For transactions occurring on or after July 1, 1998, New Mexico will accept this certificate in lieu of a New Mexico nontaxable transaction certificate and as evidence of the deductibility of a sale of tangible personal property provided:
 - a) this certificate was not issued by the State of New Mexico;
 - b) the buyer is not required to be registered in New Mexico; and
 - c) the buyer is purchasing tangible personal property for resale or incorporation as an ingredient or component of a manufactured product.
- 22. North Carolina: This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate if signed by a person such as a contractor who intends to use the property. Its use is subject to G.S. 105-164.28 and any administrative rules or directives pertaining to resale certificates.
- 23. Ohio:
- a) The buyer must specify which one of the reasons for exemption on the certificate applies. This may be done by circling or underlining the appropriate reason or writing it on the form above the state registration section. Failure to specify the exemption reason will, on audit, result in disallowance of the certificate.
- b) If no certificate is provided or obtained from the buyer at the time of the sale or within ninety days after the date on which such sale is consummated, it shall be presumed that the tax applies.
- 24. Oklahoma: Oklahoma would allow this certificate in lieu of a copy of the purchaser's sales tax permit as one of the elements of "properly completed documents" which is one of the three requirements which must be met prior to the vendor being relieved of liability. The other two requirements are that the vendor must have the certificate in his possession within ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of sale and must accept the documentation in good faith. The specific documentation required under OAC 710:65-7-6 is: Written certification containing the purchaser's name, address, type of business, sales tax permit number, and the signature of the purchaser. OAC 710:65-7-8.

Absent strict compliance with these requirements, Oklahoma holds a seller liable for sales tax due on sales where the claimed exemption is found to be invalid, for whatever reason, unless the Tax Commission determines that purchaser should be pursued for collection of the tax resulting from improper presentation of a certificate.

- 25. Pennsylvania: This certificate is not valid as an exemption certificate. It is valid as a resale certificate subject to the provisions of 61 PA Code §32.3. The buyer should enter their eight-digit Pennsylvania Sales and Use Tax license number. If the buyer does not have a Pennsylvania Sales and Use Tax license number, they must provide an explanation as to why they are not licensed.
- 26. Rhode Island: Rhode Island allows this certificate to be used to claim a resale exemption only when the item will be resold in the same form. It does not permit this certificate to be used to claim any other type of exemption.
- 27. South Dakota: Services which are purchased by a service provider and delivered to a current customer in conjunction with the services contracted to be provided to the customer are claimed to be for resale. Receipts from the sale of a service for resale by the purchaser are not subject to sales tax if the purchaser furnishes a resale certificate which the seller accepts in good faith. In order for the transaction to be a sale for resale, the following conditions must be present:
 - (a) The service is purchased for or on behalf of a current customer;

- (b) The purchaser of the service does not use the service in any manner; and
- (c) The service is delivered or resold to the customer without any alteration or change.
- 28. Tennessee: This certificate may only be used to claim a resale exemption for purchases of tangible personal property or taxable services, amusements, or digital products that are for resale; or a component part of a manufactured, assembled, processed, or refined product that is for resale. This certificate may not be used to claim any other type of exemption in Tennessee.

A Tennessee supplier that sells tangible personal property or taxable services to an out-of-state dealer for resale and drop ships the goods to the out-of-state dealer's Tennessee customer, may accept a resale certificate issued by another state, a fully completed Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate, or the Uniform Sales and Use Tax Resale Certificate – Multijurisdiction that includes the sales tax ID number issued by the other state to make drop shipped sales for resale without tax. See important notice 22-01 Drop Shipment Rule Repealed for more information.

Any tangible personal property or other taxable item or service purchased without the payment of tax using this resale certificate, that is later used or consumed in any manner by the buyer, or is given away, must be reported and the tax paid directly to the Tennessee Department of Revenue.

- 29. Texas: Items purchased for resale must be for resale within the geographical limits of the United States, its territories, and possessions.
- 30. Vermont: The reseller must be registered to collect Vermont sales tax. Vermont allows this certificate to be used to claim a resale exemption for goods only, not component parts to a service. It is not to be used by contractors. Vermont's manufacturing exemption is limited to property consumed in the manufacturing process, used directly and exclusively in the manufacturing process, or packaging or shipping materials for use by a manufacturer or wholesale distributor. Any other uses and the use for any other exemptions is not permitted.
 - While there is no statutory requirement that blanket certificates of resale be renewed at certain intervals, blanket certificates should be updated periodically, and no less frequently than every three years.
- 31. Washington: Buyer acknowledges that in addition to the amount of tax due, the misuse of this form may result in interest and penalties being imposed by law.
- 32. Wisconsin: Allows this certificate to be used to claim a resale exemption only. It does not permit this certificate to be used to claim any other type of exemption.

Frequently Asked Questions Uniform Sales and Use Tax Certificate – Multijurisdictional

- To whom do I give this certificate?
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- Which states accept the certificate?
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- I am a drop shipper. Can I use this certificate?
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- Can this certificate be used as a blanket certificate?
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- Is there a more recent version of this certificate?
- To whom should I talk to for more information?

To whom do I give this certificate?

If you are purchasing goods for resale, you will give this certificate to your vendor, so that your vendor will not charge you sales tax.

If you are selling goods for resale, and you have received this certificate from your buyer, you will keep the certificate on file.

Can I register for multiple states simultaneously?

A buyer must be registered as a retailer for sales/use tax in states where the buyer has sales/use tax nexus in a state. Registration in each state must be done separately with that state. See the state tax agency's website. The Federal Tax Administrators (FTA) maintains a centralized list of links to state agency websites:

https://taxadmin.memberclicks.net/state-tax-agencies. The Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board, Inc. maintains a centralized registration system that can be used to register in states that are members. For more information, see www.streramlinedsalestax.org.

I have received this certificate from my customer. What do I do with it?

Once you have examined the certificate and you have accepted it, you will keep it on file as prescribed by applicable state laws. The relevant state will generally be the state where you are located, or the state where the sales transaction took place.

Am I the Buyer or the Seller?

If you are purchasing goods for resale, you are the Buyer. If you are selling goods to a buyer who is purchasing them for resale, you are the Seller.

What is the purpose of this certificate?

This certificate is to be used as supporting documentation that the Seller should not collect sales tax because the good or service sold to the Buyer, is exempt from the tax as a sale for resale or as an ingredient or component of a product manufactured by the Buyer and to be resold.

How do I fill out the certificate?

The individual filling out the certificate is referred to as the Buyer. The first two lines, "Issued to Seller" an "Address", should be filled in with the name and address of the Seller. The rest of the information refers to the Buyer (name and address of Buyer, business engaged in, description of business, property or services to be purchased). The line next to each state abbreviation should be filled out with the relevant state ID number.

What information goes on the line next to each state abbreviation?

The line next to each state abbreviation should be filled in with the relevant state ID number. This will be the sales/use tax registration or resale authorization number issued by the state (see next FAQ for an exception). For example, on the line next to AL, provide the sales/use tax registration number issued by Alabama. The relevant registration number may be given various names in the different states. Some of the terms for this number are State Registration or Seller's Permit Number. Regardless of the name, this will be a number that has been issued by the state to the Buyer (see next FAQ for an exception). This number is generally associated with the reseller's authority to collect and remit sales/use tax.

What if I don't have a registration number for any (or some) state(s)?

The states vary in their rules regarding requirements for a reseller exemption or exclusion. Some states require that the reseller (Buyer) be registered to collect sales tax in the state where the reseller makes its purchase. Other states will accept the certificate if the registration number is provided for some other state (such as the resident state of the Buyer). You should check with the relevant state to determine whether you meet the requirements of that state.

Who should use this resale certificate?

A Buyer who is registered in one of the states listed on the resale certificate may be able to use this certificate to make purchases of tangible property or taxable services that are for resale tax-exempt. States vary in their policies for use of this certificate. Questions regarding your specific eligibility to use this certificate should be addressed to the revenue department of the relevant state.

Can I use this resale certificate?

The states vary in their rules for use of this resale certificate. You should check with the relevant state to determine whether you can use this resale certificate for purchases from sellers registered in that state. The footnotes to the certificate provide some guidance; however, the Multistate Tax Commission cannot guarantee that any state will accept this certificate. States may change their policies without informing the Multistate Tax Commission.

Which states accept the certificate?

States listed on the certificate have accepted this certificate. States may change their policies for acceptance of the certificate without notifying the Multistate Tax Commission. You may check with the relevant state to determine the current status of the state's acceptance policy. See next FAQ.

I am based in, buying from, or selling into Maine. Can I use this certificate?

Please contact Maine Revenue Services.

I am a drop shipper. Can I use this certificate?

If you are the Buyer and your Seller ships directly to your customers, you may be able to use this certificate because you are a reseller. However, your Seller may be unwilling to accept this certificate if you are not

registered to collect sales tax in the state(s) where your customers are located.

If you are the Seller, and you have nexus with the state(s) into which you are shipping to your Buyer's customers, you may be required by such state(s) to remit sales tax on those sales if your Buyer is not registered to collect sales tax.

Do I have to fill this resale certificate out for every purchase?

In many cases, this certificate can be used as a blanket certificate, so that you will only need to fill it out once for each of your Sellers. Some states require periodic replacement with a renewed certificate (see notes on certificate).

Can this resale certificate be used as a blanket certificate?

In many states this certificate can be used as a blanket certificate. You should verify this with the applicable state. A blanket certificate is one that can be kept on file for multiple transactions between a specific Buyer and specific Seller.

Who determines whether this resale certificate will be accepted?

The Seller will determine whether it will accept the certificate from the Buyer. The applicable state will determine whether a certificate is acceptable for the purpose of demonstrating that sales tax was properly exempted. The applicable state will generally be the state where the Seller is located or has nexus or the state where the sales transaction took place, or where the Buyer is located. The Multistate Tax Commission does not determine whether this certificate will be accepted either by the Seller or the applicable state.

I have been asked to accept this resale certificate. How do I know whether I should accept it?

You should contact your state revenue department if you are not familiar with the policies regarding acceptance of resale certificates.

In order for the certificate to be accepted in good faith by the Seller, Seller must exercise care that the property or service being sold is of a type normally sold wholesale, resold, leased, rented or incorporated as an ingredient or component of a product manufactured by Buyer and then resold in the usual course of its business. A Seller failing to exercise care could be held liable for the sales tax due in some states.

Is there a more recent version of this certificate?

No. The most recent version is posted on our website (revised as of October 14, 2022). You may have seen a version that has been modified in an unauthorized manner. You should not use any version other than the one available on our website.

Whom should I talk to for more information?

For information regarding whether the certificate will be accepted in the applicable state, you should contact the revenue department of that state. The Multistate Tax Commission's <u>Member States</u> webpage has links to revenue department websites.