## APPLICATION TO UPDATE SALES TAX AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE PARISH OF TERREBONNE-SALES AND USE TAX DEPARTMENT

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## INFORMATION FOR NEW BUSINESS OWNERS

Starting a business can be a very tedious task, therefore we are providing this letter as reference on what is expected from you for local sales tax purposes. If you have questions at any time, please do not hesitate to contact this department. (Questions regarding state sales tax should be directed to the Louisiana Department of Revenue).

The primary burden for the collection of sales tax is on dealers who sell merchandise, perform taxable services and/or lease or rent tangible personal property. They add tax to the selling price, collect the tax from their customer and remit the tax to the Terrebonne Parish Sales And Use Tax Department either electronically or on forms that are made available to them. Sales tax is due on the first day of the month following the period covered and becomes delinquent by the 21<sup>st</sup> day. Should your business have no taxable sales for a particular filing period, you must file a "zero" sales tax return for that period. Although the forms are usually mailed to all dealers, failure to receive the form does not relieve the dealer from the responsibility of filing and remitting sales tax that may be due. Electronic remittance of sales tax can be set up by going to www.parishe-file.revenue.louisiana.gov. Registration requires an email address, bank account number and routing number and your sales tax account number (the last 6 digits – for example 00357A or 000357 if no letter has been assigned).

If a return is paid or received delinquent, penalty and interest is computed on the amount of tax due. Penalty is imposed at 5% of the tax due for each thirty-day period of delinquency not to exceed 25%. (Line 21 of our sales and use tax return) Interest is imposed at a rate of 12% per annum, computed daily from the due date of the return until paid. (Line 22 of our sales and use tax return)

Businesses must pay sales or use tax on purchases of goods that are not resold by them but used or consumed in their business. Some examples are office equipment, computers, office supplies, shop equipment, cleaning supplies, etc. If purchased locally with state and local sales tax paid to the vendor, you have satisfied your sales tax obligation. If these types of purchases are made tax-free, use tax is due at the same rate as sales tax and is applied to our sales tax return using line 14, "purchases subject to use tax in Terrebonne Parish". Enter the cost price of any goods purchased tax-free.

In addition to the requirements for sales tax purposes, all businesses having a physical location in Terrebonne Parish are required to obtain an occupational license and shall be renewed annually. License renewals are due January 1<sup>st</sup> and become delinquent on March 1<sup>st</sup>. As with delinquent sales tax returns, penalties and interest are applied in the same fashion. The license fee varies based upon the type of business and amount of business activity. As with forms supplied for sales tax purposes, we will forward renewal applications for the occupational licenses.

Upon termination or transfer of business, the dealer shall make a final return, with payment, within fifteen days after the date of selling or quitting the business. The sales tax registration certificate and occupational license should be returned to the sales and use tax department noting the date of closure.

Failure to collect, account for, or pay any tax, penalty, or interest due shall ultimately result in assessments and legal action against you by this department and/or collection by the Louisiana Office of Debt Recovery. Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, the Sheriff's Department, the School Board and the Levee District depend on the sales taxes collected by dealers to provide services to the citizens of this parish.

If your business sells any type of food products, you must report to the Board of Health, located at 600 Polk Street, Houma, LA 70360, prior to opening your business.

By your signature below, you acknowledge you are the person responsible to collect and remit sales and use tax.

Print Name:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_