Missouri Sales Tax Quick Reference Guide (2020)



Disclaimer: This guide is not a substitute for professional tax advice. Consider it an asset to help you understand and prioritize your sales and use tax priorities for 2020.

Who is required to collect sales tax in Missouri?

The requirement to charge and remit sales tax in Missouri is based on the connections a company has with the state. These connections, whether legal or physical, may trigger a sales tax collection obligation referred to as nexus.

To identify possible nexus, begin by listing ways in which your company may be connected to Missouri. Consider the list of sales tax nexus triggers listed below.

Missouri sales tax nexus triggers

Companies doing business in Missouri should be aware of the following activities that may trigger sales tax liability. Failure to be tax compliant can result in audits and other legal actions.

Click on each of the nexus triggers listed for more details

- <u>Economic nexus</u>
- Affiliate nexus
- Click-through nexus
- Physical presence

Missouri sales tax compliance steps

1. Determine sales tax exposure

As mentioned above, there are a number of ways in which a company may become responsibile for collecting sales tax in Missouri.

Get help determining your nexus profile

2. Register with state and local tax authorities

If you have determined you have established nexus in Missouri, you will need to register your business with the Missouri Department of Revenue prior to collecting any sales tax revenue.

Get help with sales tax registration

3. Collect, file, and remit sales tax

Once your business is registered with the appropriate tax authorities in Missouri, you may begin collecting sales tax and filing returns. Refer to the table at the right for filing deadlines.

Get help with managing sales tax compliance

Other tax compliance notes

Zero Dollar Returns

Completed sales tax returns must be submitted to the Missouri Department of Revenue by the assigned due date each filing period even if no sales tax was collected.

Contact Options

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Missouri sales tax filing due dates for 2020

Missouri monthly sales tax returns are due by the 20th day of the month following the end of the filing period with the exception of quarter ending months when the return is due by the last day of the month. Annual returns are due by the last day of January.

Monthly, quarterly, and annual filing frequencies are most commonly assigned to businesses filing sales tax returns.

Filing due dates adjusted for weekends or holidays are indicated by an * in the chart below.

| 2020 Reporting Period | Filing Due Date |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Annual Filing | |
| 2020 | February 1, 2021* |
| Quarterly Filing | |
| Q1 | April 30, 2020 |
| Q2 | July 31, 2020 |
| Q3 | November 2, 2020* |
| Q4 | February 1, 2021* |
| Monthly Filing | |
| January | February 20, 2020 |
| February | March 20, 2020 |
| March | April 30, 2020 |
| April | May 20, 2020 |
| May | June 22, 2020* |
| June | July 31, 2020 |
| July | August 20, 2020 |
| August | September 21, 2020* |
| September | November 2, 2020* |
| October | November 20, 2020 |
| November | December 21, 2020* |
| December | February 1, 2021* |

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