

# 2015 Sales, Use and Withholding Taxes Annual Return

Issued under authority of Public Act 167 of 1933 and 94 of 1937, as amended.

**File this return by February 28, 2016.**

Do not use this form to replace a monthly/quarterly return.

Taxpayer's Business Name	Business Account Number (FEIN or TR Number)
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## PART 1: SALES AND USE TAX SECTION

	A. Sales Tax		B. Use Tax: Sales & Rentals
1. Total gross sales for tax year being reported.....			
2. Rentals of tangible property and accommodations .....	XXXXXXXXXX		
3. Telecommunication services.....	XXXXXXXXXX		
4. Add lines 1, 2 and 3.....			

## 5. ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

	A. Sales Tax		B. Use Tax
5a. Resale exemption.....			
5b. Industrial processing exemption.....			
5c. Agricultural production exemption.....			
5d. Interstate commerce exemption.....			
5e. Exempt services.....			
5f. Bad debt.....			
5g. Food for human/home consumption.....			
5h. Government exemption.....			
5i. Michigan motor fuel tax.....			
5j. Direct payment exemption.....			
5k. Other exemptions (see instructions).....			
5l. Tax included in gross sales.....		XXXXXXXXXX	
5m. Total allowable deductions. Add lines 5a - 5l.....			
6. Taxable balance. Subtract line 5m from line 4.....			
7. Gross tax due. Multiply line 6 by 6% (0.06).....			
8. Tax collected in excess of line 7.....			
9. Add lines 7 and 8.....			
10. Total discount allowed (see instructions).....			

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11. Total tax due. Subtract line 10 from line 9 .....	11.			
12. Tax payments and credits in current year (after discounts).....	12.			

**PART 2: USE TAX ON ITEMS PURCHASED FOR BUSINESS OR PERSONAL USE**

13. Total amount of taxable purchases and withdrawals from inventory for tax year being reported .....	13.			
14. Multiply line 13 by 6% (0.06) .....	14.			
15. Total use tax payments paid for tax year being reported.....	15.			

**PART 3: WITHHOLDING TAX**

16. Gross Michigan payroll, pension and other taxable compensation received for the year .....	16.			
17. Total number of W-2 and 1099 forms .....	17.			
18. Total Michigan income tax withheld per W-2 and 1099 forms .....	18.			
19. Total Michigan income tax withholding paid during current tax year .....	19.			

**PART 4: SUMMARY**

20. Total sales, use and withholding taxes due. Add lines 11A, 11B, 14, and 18 .....	20.			
21. Total sales, use and withholding taxes paid. Add lines 12A, 12B, 15, and 19.....	21.			
22. If line 21 is greater than line 20, enter the difference here. If not, skip to line 25 .....	22.			
23. Amount of line 22 to be credited forward. Treasury will notify you when your credit forward is verified and available .....	23.			
24. <b>REFUND.</b> Subtract line 23 from line 22.....	24.			
25. If line 21 is less than 20, enter balance due .....	25.			
26. Total penalty due for late filing of return (see instructions) .....	26.			
27. Interest due (see instructions) .....	27.			
28. <b>TOTAL PAYMENT DUE.</b> Add lines 25, 26 and 27.....	28.			

**PART 5: SIGNATURE (You are required to complete all information requested below.)**

<b>Taxpayer Certification.</b> I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this return and attachments is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.		<b>Preparer Certification.</b> I declare under penalty of perjury that this return is based on all information of which I have any knowledge.	
<input type="checkbox"/> By checking this box, I authorize Treasury to discuss my return with my preparer.		Preparer's Signature	
Signature of Taxpayer or Official Representative (must be Owner, Officer, Member, Manager, or Partner)		Preparer's Business Address	
Print Taxpayer or Official Representative's Name	Date		
Title	Telephone Number	Preparer's Identification Number	Preparer's Telephone Number

Make check payable to **"State of Michigan"** and include your account number on your check.  
**Send your return and any payment due to:** Michigan Department of Treasury, P.O. Box 30401, Lansing, MI 48909-7901

# Instructions for 2015 Sales, Use and Withholding Taxes Annual Return (Form 5081)

**IMPORTANT:** This is a return for Sales Tax, Use Tax, and/or Withholding Tax. If the taxpayer inserts a zero on (or leaves blank) any line for reporting Sales Tax, Use Tax, or Withholding Tax, the taxpayer is certifying that no tax is owed for that tax type. If it is determined that tax is owed, the taxpayer will be liable for the deficiency as well as penalty and interest.

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## PART 1: SALES AND USE TAX SECTION

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**Line 1a: Total gross sales for tax year being reported.** Any costs incurred before ownership of the property is transferred to the buyer (including shipping, handling, and delivery charges) are not considered services and are subject to tax.

**Line 1b: Out-of-state retailers who do not have retail stores in Michigan:** Enter total sales of tangible personal property including cash, credit, and installment transactions.

**Line 2b: Rental of tangible property and accommodations.**

- **Lessors of tangible personal property:** Enter amount of total rental receipts.
- **Persons providing accommodations:** This would include but not limited to hotel, motel, and vacation home rentals. This also includes assessments imposed under the Convention and Tourism Act, the Convention Facility Development Act, the Regional Tourism Marketing Act, the Community Convention or Tourism Marketing Act.

**Line 3b: Telecommunications Services.** Enter gross income from telecommunications services.

**Line 5a-5l: Allowable Deductions.** Use lines 5a - 5l to deduct nontaxable sales you made from gross sales. Deductions taken for tax exempt sales must be substantiated in your records. You must obtain a completed copy of *Michigan Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption* (Form 3372) or the same information in another format, from the purchaser.

**Line 5a: Resale.** Enter resale exemption claims.

**Line 5b: Industrial Processing.** The property sold must be for direct use in producing a product for eventual sale at retail.

**Line 5c: Agriculture Production.** The property sold must be for direct use in agricultural production.

**Line 5d: Interstate Commerce.** Enter sales made in interstate commerce. To claim such a deduction, the property or service must be delivered by you to the out-of-state purchaser. Property transported out of state by the purchaser does not qualify under interstate commerce. You must keep documentation of out-of-state shipments to support this deduction.

**Line 5e: Exempt Services.** Enter charges for nontaxable services billed separately, such as repair or maintenance, if these charges were included in gross receipts on line 1.

**Line 5f: Bad Debts.** You may deduct the amount of bad debts from your proceeds if all of the following criteria are met:

- If the debts are charged off as uncollectible on your books and records at the time the debts become worthless
- You have deducted the debts on your return for a period during which the bad debts are written off as uncollectible.
- The debt must also be eligible to be deducted for federal income tax purposes.

A bad debt deduction may also be claimed by a third-party lender provided the retailer who reported the tax and the lender financing the sale executed and maintained a separate written election designating which party may claim the deduction. Certain additional conditions must be met. See MCL 205.54i and MCL 205.99a.

**Line 5g: Food for Human/Home Consumption.** Enter the total of retail sales of grocery-type food, excluding tobacco and alcoholic beverages. Prepared food is subject to tax. See MCL 205.54g and MCL 205.94d for more information.

**Line 5h: Government Exemption.** Direct sales to the United States Government, State of Michigan, or its political subdivisions are exempt.

**Line 5i: Michigan Motor Fuel Tax.** Motor fuel retailers may deduct the Michigan motor fuel taxes that were included in gross sales on line 1 and paid to the State or the distributor.

**Line 5j: Direct Payment Exemption.** Sales to companies that claim direct payment of sales or use tax to the State of Michigan. Such companies must have a sales tax license or use tax registration, and have a letter from Treasury specifically granting direct payment authority. For qualifications, see RAB 2000-3.

**Line 5k: Other Exemptions.** Identify deductions not covered in items 5a through 5j on this line. Examples of deductions are:

- Direct sales not for resale to certain nonprofit agencies, churches, schools, hospitals, and homes for the care of children and the aged, provided such activities are nonprofit and payment is directly from the funds of the exempt organization.
- Assessments imposed under the Convention and Tourism Act, the Convention Facility Development Act, the Regional Tourism Marketing Act, or the Community Convention or Tourism Marketing Act. Hotels and motels may deduct the assessments included in gross sales and rentals provided use tax on the assessments were not charged to the customers.
- Credits allowed to customers for sales tax originally paid on merchandise voluntarily returned; provided the return is made within the time period for returns stated in the taxpayer's refund policy or 180 days after the initial sale, whichever is earlier. Repossessions are not allowable deductions.

- Sales to contractors of materials which will become part of a finished structure for a qualified exempt nonprofit hospital, qualified exempt nonprofit housing entity or church sanctuary, or materials to be affixed to and made a structural part of real estate located in another state. The purchaser will provide a *Michigan Sales and Use Tax Contractor Eligibility Statement* (Form 3520). See RAB 1999-2.
- Qualified nonprofit organizations may take a deduction of their sales if total sales are less than \$5,000 and they did not collect sales tax from their customers. If total sales are \$5,000 or more, the entire amount of sales is subject to tax. For qualifications, see RAB 1995-3.

**Line 5l: Tax included in gross sales.** If you have tax included in your gross sales, divide your gross sales by 17.6667 and enter the amount.

**Line 8:** If you collected more tax than the amount on line 7, enter the difference.

**Line 10: Annual filers** If your tax due is \$108 or more, enter \$72 for your discount. If your tax due is less than \$108, multiply line 9 by 2/3 (0.6667) and enter.

**Accelerated/Monthly/Quarterly filers:** Enter total discounts allowed for the year.

**Line 12:** Enter total payments plus credits from *2015 Fuel Supplier and Wholesaler Prepaid Sales Tax Schedule* (Form 5083), *2015 Fuel Retailer Supplemental Schedule* (Form 5085), and *2015 Vehicle Dealer Supplemental Schedule* (Form 5086), if applicable, made for the current tax year.

**Note:** all pre-paid sales tax schedules are e-file only.

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## **PART 2: USE TAX ON ITEMS PURCHASED FOR BUSINESS OR PERSONAL USE**

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**Line 13:** Enter your use tax due from purchases and withdrawals.

**Line 14:** To determine your use tax due from purchases and withdrawals, multiply the total amount of your inventory value by 6% (0.06) and enter here.

**Line 15:** Enter total use tax payments paid for the year.

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## **PART 3: WITHHOLDING TAX**

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**Line 17:** Enter the number of your W-2 and 1099 statements.

**Line 18:** Enter the total Michigan income tax withheld for the year.

**Line 19:** Enter the total Michigan income tax withheld that was paid on your monthly, quarterly or accelerated returns. (Do not include penalty and interest).

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### **How to Compute Penalty and Interest**

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If your return is filed after February 28 and no tax is due, compute penalty at \$10 per day up to a maximum of \$400. If your return is filed with additional tax due, include penalty and interest with your payment. Penalty is 5% of the tax due and increases by an additional 5% per month or fraction thereof, after the second month, to a maximum of 25%. Interest is charged daily using the average prime rate, plus 1 percent.

Refer to [www.michigan.gov/taxes](http://www.michigan.gov/taxes) for current interest rate information or help in calculating late payment fees.