## MINNESOTA SALES TAX CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION

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**NOTE:** Indiana University must issue this certificate to sellers when purchasing tangible personal property or taxable services to qualify for exemption from MN sales and use taxes. The MN exemption does not apply to the following items:

- prepared food, soft drinks and candy, including catered food
- lodging
- employee purchases
- sales tax on most motor vehicles
- 6.2% car rental tax and 5% car rental fee
- Purchases are exempt from MN sales tax only when billed to and paid for by IU. Thus, purchases paid by an IU employee on behalf of IU (later to be reimbursed) are considered taxable by the seller. Depending on the type of purchase, IU may not reimburse employee for sales tax paid.
- Exemption certificates are valid indefinitely or until the information in the certificate changes.
  However the MN Department of Revenue recommends updating the certificates every 3 to 5 years.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** A MN sales tax exemption certificate must be completed for each purchase. The fiscal officer, or department equivalent, will need to complete the following steps:

- 1. Fill out all sections highlighted in blue including:
  - a. Purchase Order #
  - b. Seller's Name and Address section
- 2. Provide completed exemption certificate to vendor

## **Certificate of Exemption**

Purchaser: Complete this certificate and give it to the seller.

Seller: If this certificate is not fully completed, you must charge sales tax. Keep this certificate as part of your records,

This is a blanket certificate, unless one of the boxes below is checked, and remains in force as long as the purchaser continues making purchases, or until otherwise cancelled by the purchaser. Check if this certificate is for a single purchase and enter the related invoice/purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_ If you are a contractor and have a purchasing agent agreement with an exempt organization, check the box to make multiple purchases for a specific job. Enter the exempt entity name and specific project: Exempt entity name \_\_\_ Project description \_\_\_\_ Name of purchaser Indiana University Business address Zip code 400 East 7th Street, Poplars Room 501 Bloomington IN 47405 Purchaser's tax ID number Type or print State of issue Country of issue U.S.A. If no tax ID number. Driver's license number/State issued ID number enter one of the following: 35-6001673 state of issue Name of seller from whom you are purchasing, leasing or renting Seller's address Zip code Type of business. Circle the number that describes your business. 01 Accommodation and food services 11 Transportation and warehousing 02 Agricultural, forestry, fishing, hunting 12 Utilities ype of business 03 Construction 13 Wholesale trade 04 Finance and insurance 14 Rusiness services 05 Information, publishing and communications 15 Professional services 06 Manufacturing 16 Education and health-care services 07 Mining 17 Nonprofit organization 08 Real estate 18 Government 09 Rental and leasing 19 Not a business (explain) \_\_\_\_\_ Retail trade 20 Other (explain) \_\_\_\_ Reason for exemption. Circle the letter that identifies the reason for the exemption. Agricultural production Federal government (department) \_\_\_ Reason for exemption Specific government exemption (from list on back) Industrial production/manufacturing Direct pay authorization MultiMPLbexemptionsis/noslangersyalidar computer C Tribal government (name) softwrepealed March 8,2008 D Foreign diplomat #\_\_ Direct mail Charitable organization #\_\_ Educational organization #\_35-6001673 Other (enter number from back page) \_ Percentage exemption Religious organization #\_ Advertising (enter percentage) Resale Utilities (enter percentage) \_\_\_\_ I declare that the information on this certificate is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. (PENALTY: If you try to evade paying sales tax by using an exemption certificate for items or services that will be used for purposes other than those being claimed, you may be fined \$100 under Minnesota law for each transaction for which the certificate is used.) Signature of authorized purchaser Print name here Date

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