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TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX

RULES AND REGULATIONS

ADOPTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SUBTITLE 25, OF ARTICLE 28
Of the Baltimore City Code as last amended by Ordinance 10-0303
Approved June 29th, 2010

Operators shall retain in their files at their principal business or if not located in Baltimore City some other convenient location within the City of Baltimore, duplicate copies of tax returns along with records and information in support of all returns. All such supporting information shall be retained by the operator for the same period as is required for Federal Tax purposes.

Monthly payment forms shall be filed for each account. The monthly payment forms shall be completed in their entirety and filed on or before the 25th day of each month.

The tax is applicable to all telecommunications "lines," meaning a wired or wireless connection, identifiable through a unique telephone number, to an exchange, wireless, or other telecommunications service.

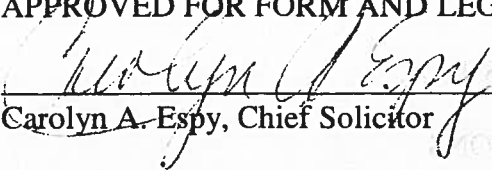
Any exemption claimed by virtue of non-taxable status under this ordinance, shall be reported monthly. The only exemption allowed under this law is for "Lifeline Service" customers, as defined by the rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the State Public Service Commission. Exemptions claimed must be supported by documentation that must be submitted with the monthly tax returns. The company shall retain all exemptions in their files in the same manner and for the same period of time as all other pertinent information, and make these records available, at all times during business hours, for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the City of Baltimore.

The return shall be signed by the owner, officer, partner, or authorized representative of the operating entity as to the correctness and accuracy of the return.

Any person, who violates any provision of this subtitle or of a Rule and Regulation adopted under this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for not more than 12 months or to both fine and imprisonment for each offense.

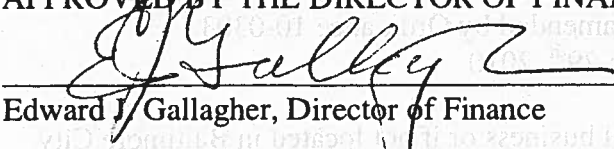
These regulations have been approved this 29th day of the month of June, 2010 and submitted to the Department of Legislative Reference pursuant of the provision of Section 25-8 (b) of Ordinance No. 04-0726.

APPROVED FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


Carolyn A. Espy, Chief Solicitor

6/29/10
Date

APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:


Edward J. Gallagher, Director of Finance

6/29/10
Date

Operator shall remain in their files at their principal business office located in Baltimore, City, Maryland, after convenient location within the City of Baltimore, duplicate copies of tax returns along with records, and information in support of all returns. All such supporting information shall be retained by the operator for the same period as is required for Federal Tax purposes.

Monthly payment forms shall be filed for each account. The monthly payment forms shall be completed in their entirety and filed on or before the 25th day of each month.

The tax is applicable to all telecommunications "lines," including a wireless or other connection identifiable through a unique telephone number to another wireless, wireless, or other telecommunications service.

Any exemption claimed by virtue of non-taxable nature under the ordinance shall be reported monthly. The only exemption allowed under the law is for "limited service" customer, as defined by the rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the State Public Service Commission. Exemptions claimed must be supported by documentation that must be submitted with the monthly tax returns. The company shall retain all exemptions to their files in the same manner and for the same period of time as all other payment information and make these records available at all times during business hours for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the City of Baltimore.

The form shall be signed by the owner, officer, partner, or authorized representative of the operating entity as to the correctness and accuracy of the return.

Any person who violates any provision in this ordinance or Regulation adopted under this ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for not more than 12 months or to both the said imprisonment for each offense.

These regulations have been approved this 29th day of the month of June, 2010 and submitted to the Department of Legislative Reference pursuant to the provision of Section 2-28 (b)(1) Ordinance No. 04-0726.

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ADOPTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SUBTITLE 25 OF ARTICLE 23
Of the Baltimore City Code as last amended by Ordinance 04-126
Approved June 23, 2004

Specimens shall retain in their files a true and correct copy of the tax returns
and other documents filed with the City of Baltimore, duplicate copies of tax returns
along with records and information in support of all returns. All such supporting information
shall be retained by the operator for the same period as is required for Federal tax purposes.

Monthly payment forms shall be filed for each account. The monthly payment forms shall be
completed in their entirety and filed on or before the 25th day of each month.

The tax is applicable to all telecommunications "lines", meaning a wired or wireless connection
identified through a unique telephone number, to an exchange, wireless, or other
telecommunications service. "Wireless service" does not include paging services licensed by the
Federal Communications Commission under 47 C.F.R. Parts 22 and 90 as in effect on July 1,
2004.

The tax is applicable to telecommunications services provided beginning August 1, 2004. Land
lines shall be taxed at the current percentage (12.5%) sales tax for services through July 31,
2004. Wireless lines shall not be taxed on any services through July 31, 2004. For services
provided beginning on August 1, 2004, the rate of tax imposed is:

- 1) \$3.50 per month or part of a month for every telecommunications line, whether a
residence business, PBX, trunk line, or other wired or wireless telecommunications line,
except for central lines; and
- 2) \$0.35 per month or part of a month for each central line.

The tax for the first August billing cycle beginning August 1, 2004, only should be prorated to
reflect the change in the rates for land lines and the new tax for wireless lines beginning August
1, 2004.

Any exemption claimed by virtue of non-taxable status under this ordinance, shall be reported
monthly. The only exemption allowed under the law is for "Listing Service" customers, as
defined by the rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the State Public Service
Commission. Exemption claimed must be supported by documentation that must be submitted
with the monthly tax returns. The company shall retain all exemption in their files in the same

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ADOPTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SUBTITLE 25, OF ARTICLE 28
Of the Baltimore City Code as last amended by Ordinance 04-726
Approved June 23, 2004

Operators shall retain in their files at their principal business or if not located in Baltimore City some other convenient location within the City of Baltimore, duplicate copies of tax returns along with records and information in support of all returns. All such supporting information shall be retained by the operator for the same period as is required for Federal Tax purposes.

Monthly payment forms shall be filed for each account. The monthly payment forms shall be completed in their entirety and filed on or before the 25th day of each month.

The tax is applicable to all telecommunications "lines," meaning a wired or wireless connection, identifiable through a unique telephone number, to an exchange, wireless, or other telecommunications service. "Wireless service" does not include paging services licensed by the Federal Communications Commission under 47 C.F.R., Parts 22 and 90, as in effect on July 1, 2004.

The tax is applicable to telecommunications services provided beginning August 1, 2004. Land lines shall be taxed at the current percentage (12%) sales tax rate for services through July 31, 2004. Wireless lines shall not be taxed on any service through July 31, 2004. For service provided beginning on August 1, 2004, the rate of tax imposed is:

- 1) \$3.50 per month or part of a month for every telecommunications line, whether a residence, business, PBX trunk line, or other wired or wireless telecommunications line, except for centrex lines; and
- 2) \$0.35 per month or part of a month for each centrex line.

The tax for the first August billing cycles overlapping August 1, 2004 only should be prorated to reflect the change in tax rates for land lines and the new tax for wireless lines beginning August 1, 2004.

Any exemption claimed by virtue of non-taxable status under this ordinance, shall be reported monthly. The only exemption allowed under this law is for "Lifeline Service" customers, as defined by the rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the State Public Service Commission. Exemptions claimed must be supported by documentation that must be submitted with the monthly tax returns. The company shall retain all exemptions in their files in the same

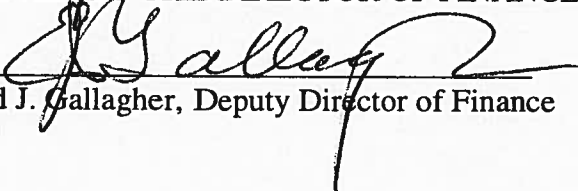
manner and for the same period of time as all other pertinent information, and make these records available, at all times during business hours, for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the City of Baltimore.

The return shall be signed by the owner, officer, partner, or authorized representative of the operating entity as to the correctness and accuracy of the return.

Any person, who violates any provision of this subtitle or of a Rule and Regulation adopted under this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment for not more than 12 months or to both fine and imprisonment for each offense.

These regulations have been approved this 13th day of the month of July, 2004 and submitted to the Department of Legislative Reference pursuant of the provision of Section 25-8 (b) of Ordinance No. 04-726.

APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:



Edward J. Gallagher, Deputy Director of Finance

7/13/04
Date

