

Important Notice

September 2018

Notice Regarding Indian Tax-Exempt Cigarette Annual Amounts

The Tax Department has determined the annual amount of stamped tax-exempt packs of cigarettes for each of the Indian nations or tribes for the 12-month period beginning September 1, 2018, and ending August 31, 2019. The annual amount is based on the probable demand for tax-exempt cigarettes, determined by reference to, among other data, the United States average cigarette consumption per capita, as compiled for 2017, multiplied by the number of qualified Indians for each of the Indian nations or tribes based upon the American Community Survey (ACS) Indian reservation population estimates for 2012-2016. The annual amount is then prorated to each of the four quarters beginning with the first day of September, December, March, and June, and rounded up to the nearest case of cigarettes.

The recognized governing body of an Indian nation or tribe may challenge the Department's determination of probable demand allocation by submitting verifiable evidence relating to that nation's or tribe's probable demand. Such evidence may include verifiable records of previous sales to qualified Indians or other statistical data relating to the amount needed for the nation's or tribe's official use. Any evidence submitted, will be considered and any adjustments will be made for the affected periods from September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019. All evidence must be submitted in writing and mailed to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF TAX POLICY ANALYSIS W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS ALBANY NY 12227-0917

Indian tax-exempt cigarettes for quarters occurring September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2019

Indian nation or tribe	Population ¹	Allocated packs/quarter
Cayuga Nation	3,264	39,000
Oneida Nation of New York ²	Not applicable	Not applicable
Onondaga Nation	225	2,700
Poospatuck or Unkechauge		
Nation	688	8,400
Seneca Nation of Indians	8,994	106,800
Shinnecock Indian Nation	93	1,200
Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe	3,297	39,300
Tonawanda Band of Seneca	642	7,800
Tuscarora Nation	1,136	13,500

¹ Indian nation or tribe population figures are based on the American Community Survey (ACS) Indian reservation population estimates for 2012-2016 (published in 2017).

² As a result of the Settlement Agreement by the Oneida Nation, the State of New York, the County of Madison, and the County of Oneida, probable demand amounts do not apply to the Oneida Nation of New York.

Note: An N-Notice is generally issued to announce a singular event, such as an update to a previously issued tax form or instruction, or to announce a new due date for filing returns and making payments of tax because of a natural disaster. The department does not revise previously issued N-Notices.