



Vendor Collection Credit

Introduction

When you file your sales tax return and pay the full amount due on time, you may be eligible to claim a vendor collection credit. This credit will reduce the amount of money that you must send to New York State with your sales tax return.

Businesses eligible for the credit

Your business is eligible for the vendor collection credit if you file sales tax returns:

- on a quarterly basis ([Form ST-100](#), *New York State and Local Quarterly Sales and Use Tax Return*), or
- on an annual basis ([Form ST-101](#), *New York State and Local Annual Sales and Use Tax Return*).

To qualify, you must file your return on time and pay what you owe in full. You can't claim the vendor collection credit on an amended return or on a past-due return. You can't carry over the credit to a future return.

Businesses not eligible for the credit

Effective June 1, 2010, the following businesses are **no longer eligible** for the vendor collection credit:

- businesses that file, or are required to file, their sales tax returns on a monthly basis ([Form ST-809](#), *New York State and Local Sales and Use Tax Return for Part-Quarterly [Monthly] Filers*, and [Form ST-810](#), *New York State and Local Quarterly Sales and Use Tax Return for Part-Quarterly [Monthly] Filers*), and
- businesses enrolled in the PrompTax program for sales tax.

How to calculate the credit amount

If you qualify, the credit equals 5% of the taxes and fees reported on your return, up to a maximum of \$200 for each quarterly or annual reporting period. These taxes and fees are included when calculating the credit:

- state sales and use taxes;
- county, city, and school district sales and use taxes;
- special state sales taxes on passenger car rentals;
- additional state sales tax on certain information services;
- additional state sales tax on certain entertainment services;
- net credit for prepaid sales tax on sales of fuel (from Schedule FR, box 17); and
- New York City hotel unit fee.

How to claim the credit

If you are eligible, Sales Tax Web File will automatically calculate the credit and deduct it from your return.

If you can't file online, follow the instructions on your paper return to claim the credit.

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References and other useful information

Tax Law: Section 1137(f)

Publications: [Publication 750](#), *A Guide to Sales Tax in New York State*