



# MAINE TAX ALERT

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## **MRS Sales and Use Tax Law Change: Pesticide Container Fee Repealed Effective July 1, 2022**

Pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 635, the Pesticide Container Fee (15¢ per container) is repealed, effective July 1, 2022. For sales of certain pesticide containers beginning on or after July 1, 2022, retailers shall no longer collect and remit the Pesticide Container Fee levied by 36 M.R.S. § 4941. Line 19, referencing the Pesticide Container Fee, will be removed from the Maine Sales and Use Tax return, beginning with the July 2022 filing period (due August 15, 2022).

## **2022 Maine Property Tax School**

The Property Tax Division of MRS will be holding their annual Maine Property Tax School from August 1-5, 2022. This year’s Property Tax School will be held at the University of Maine Hutchinson Center in Belfast. The brochure with registration form is available on the Property Tax Division website: [www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/property-tax](http://www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/property-tax). If you plan to attend any of the classes, fill out the registration form at the end of the brochure, and send it to [cma.mrs@maine.gov](mailto:cma.mrs@maine.gov). If you are paying with check, mail that with a copy of your registration to: MRS Property Tax Division, P.O. Box 9106, Augusta, ME 04332-9106.

The Maine Property Tax School is open to anyone with an interest in assessment, appraisal and property taxation. The school provides continuing education for part-time and full-time Maine assessors as well as others involved in appraisal and assessment administration in the state.

The school traditionally offers three introductory courses and a review course for those who plan to sit for the certified Maine Assessor exam on Friday of that week. Several general education courses and a few advanced education courses are also offered.

## **Careers and Internships at MRS**

MRS’ mission is to fairly and efficiently administer the State’s tax laws with integrity and professionalism.

MRS is looking for smart, motivated, and team oriented people to join our team. Benefits include:

- Qualifying employer for federal student loan forgiveness

- Tuition reimbursement for continuing education (including CPA exam)
- Public service
- Competitive salary
- MainePERS retirement plan and deferred compensation
- Generous insurance and paid leave (including all state holidays)
- Flexible spending accounts and longevity pay
- Gym membership reimbursement

Regularly posted, full-time positions at MRS include the Tax Examiner and Revenue Agent positions. Click the following link for more information about these positions:

<https://apps.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/bhrssalary/jobs.pl>.

Click the following link for more information about careers and paid internships and to sign up to receive notifications of new MRS job openings: [www.maine.gov/revenue/careers](http://www.maine.gov/revenue/careers).

## Fraud Alert

If you believe you are a victim of identity theft or that a breach of personally identifiable information has occurred, contact MRS at (207) 624-7658 or email [fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov](mailto:fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov) as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Telephone Numbers</u>	<u>FAX Numbers</u>	<u>E-mail Addresses</u>
Taxpayer Contact Center	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	<a href="mailto:taxpayerassist@maine.gov">taxpayerassist@maine.gov</a>
Central Registration	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	<a href="mailto:taxpayerassist@maine.gov">taxpayerassist@maine.gov</a>
Collections & Compliance	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	<a href="mailto:compliance.tax@maine.gov">compliance.tax@maine.gov</a>
Corporate Tax	(207) 624-9670	(207) 624-9694	<a href="mailto:corporate.tax@maine.gov">corporate.tax@maine.gov</a>
E-file Help Desk (1040 ONLY)	(207) 624-9730	(207) 287-6628	<a href="mailto:efile.helpdesk@maine.gov">efile.helpdesk@maine.gov</a>
Electronic Funds Transfer	(207) 624-5625	(207) 287-3618	<a href="mailto:efunds.transfer@maine.gov">efunds.transfer@maine.gov</a>
Estate & Fiduciary Tax	(207) 626-8480	(207) 624-9694	<a href="mailto:estatetax@maine.gov">estatetax@maine.gov</a>
Fuel & Special Taxes	(207) 624-9609	(207) 287-6628	<a href="mailto:fuel.tax@maine.gov">fuel.tax@maine.gov</a>
Forms Request Line	(207) 624-7894		
Individual Income Tax Assistance	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	<a href="mailto:income.tax@maine.gov">income.tax@maine.gov</a>
Insurance Premium Tax	(207) 624-9753	(207) 624-9694	
NexTalk (TTY Service)	(888) 577-6690		
Payment Plan/Income Tax	(207) 621-4300	(207) 621-4328	<a href="mailto:compliance.tax@maine.gov">compliance.tax@maine.gov</a>
Payment Plan/Other	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	<a href="mailto:compliance.tax@maine.gov">compliance.tax@maine.gov</a>
Practitioners' Hotline	(207) 626-8458	(207) 624-9694	
Property Tax	(207) 624-5600	(207) 287-6396	<a href="mailto:prop.tax@maine.gov">prop.tax@maine.gov</a>
Public Communications	(207) 626-8478	(207) 624-9694	
Sales Tax	(207) 624-9693	(207) 287-6628	<a href="mailto:sales.tax@maine.gov">sales.tax@maine.gov</a>
Tax Clearance Letters	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	
Office of Tax Policy	(207) 624-9677	(207) 287-3618	
Taxpayer Advocate	(207) 624-9649	(207) 287-3618	<a href="mailto:taxpayer.advocate@maine.gov">taxpayer.advocate@maine.gov</a>
Withholding Tax	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	<a href="mailto:withholding.tax@maine.gov">withholding.tax@maine.gov</a>
Tax Violations Hot Line	(207) 624-9600		

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Suggestions for the Tax Alert?

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