

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES



## REGULATIONS 1 & 23

### *Regulation No. 1* RESALE CERTIFICATES

#### Section 12-426-1

(a) The burden of proving that the sale, lease or rental of tangible personal property pursuant to Regulation 12-426-25 or a sale of a service taxable pursuant to Regulations 12-426 and 12-426-27 is not a sale at retail is upon the seller/lessor unless he takes a certificate from the purchaser that the property or service is purchased for resale.

The certificate shall be taken in good faith from a person engaged in selling or leasing tangible personal property or taxable services, who, at the time of purchase, intends to sell the property or services in the regular course of business or cannot then ascertain whether it will be so sold or not.

The certificate shall be substantially in the form prescribed in subsection (b). It shall in all cases be signed by the purchaser, bear his name and address and indicate the general character of the property or service sold by the purchaser in the regular course of his business. It shall also bear the number of the seller's permit held by the purchaser, but, if he is not required to hold a permit because he sells only property of a kind the sale of which is not taxable, e.g., food products for human consumption, or because he makes no

sales in this state, he should make an appropriate notation to that effect on the certificate in lieu of his seller's permit number.

(b) The form of the resale certificate\* is prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue Services and copies of the same may be made and used by any seller of tangible personal property or services in accordance with this section:

Under "General Description of products to be purchased from the seller" there may appear (1) Either an itemized list of the particular property/service(s) to be purchased or leased for resale or (2) A general description of the kind of property to be purchased for resale. This certificate may be used for the purpose of a single purchase of commodities/services for resale; in such case (1) above applies, or it may be used as a blanket certificate for the purpose of a continuing line of purchases of commodities for resale in the regular course of business; in the latter case (2) above applies, and the certificate should be plainly marked "Blanket Certificate".

(c) The good faith of the seller will be questioned if he has knowledge of facts which give rise to a reasonable inference that the purchaser does not intend to resell the property, as, for example, knowledge that a purchaser of particular merchandise is not engaged in the business of selling that kind of merchandise.

(d) Resale certificates shall be valid only for the period in which the purchaser is a reseller of the items covered in such certificate but should be renewed at least every three years from the date of issue.

(e) The terms "selling" and "purchasing" of tangible personal property or commodities also encompass leases or rentals of tangible personal property or commodities.

(f) Services may only be "sold" or "purchased" and not rented or leased.

\* *The text of the certificate is reprinted in its entirety on the reverse side.*

### *Regulation No. 23*

#### RECORDS

#### Section 12-426-23

(a) Each seller and retailer as defined in Chapter 219 of the General Statutes shall keep adequate and complete records of his business in this State showing:

(1) The gross receipts from the sale or lease of tangible personal property or from sale of services, including both taxable and nontaxable items and any services that are part of a sale.

(2) All deductions allowed by law and claimed in filing return.

(3) Total purchase price of all tangible personal property or services purchased or leased for resale or sublease, and the total purchased or leased for use and consumption in this State.

Such records shall include the normal books of account ordinarily maintained by the average prudent business man engaged in the activity in question, together with all bills, receipts, invoices, cash register tapes or other documents of original entry supporting the entries in the books of account as well as all schedules or working papers used in connection with the preparation of tax returns.

Failure to maintain such records will be considered evidence of negligence or intent to evade the tax and will result in the imposition of appropriate penalties.

(b) In the case of meals under one dollar, the retailer shall maintain such records to prove the actual sales of individual meals costing less than one dollar to support his claim for exemption; otherwise he will have to pay the tax on the gross receipts from all such meals.

(c) All such records shall be maintained for the Department of Revenue Services audits for a period of at least three years unless the destruction or other disposal of the sale is authorized by the Commissioner of Revenue Services, or his authorized representative in writing.

\**There is no longer an exemption from sales and Use Tax for meals under \$1.00.*



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SALES & USE TAX RESALE CERTIFICATE

Issued to (Seller)

Address

Williams-Sonoma DTC, Inc /Williams-Sonoma Stores, Inc.

3250 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94109-1012

I certify that Name of Firm (Buyer) is engaged as a registered

Street Address or P.O. Box No.

- ( ) Wholesaler
( ) Retailer
( ) Manufacturer ( ) Lessor
( ) Other (specify)

City State Zip

and is registered with the below listed states and cities within which your firm would deliver purchases to us and that any such purchases are for wholesale, resale, ingredients or components of a new product to be resold, leased, or rented in the normal course of our business. We are in the business of wholesaling, retailing, manufacturing, leasing (renting) the following:

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Table with 4 columns: City or state, State Registration or I..D. No., City or State, State Registration or I..D. No. (repeated 3 times)

I further certify that if any property so purchased tax free is used or consumed by the firm as to make it subject to a sales or use tax we will pay the tax due direct to the proper taxing authority when state law so provides or inform the seller for added tax billing. This certificate shall be part of each order which we may hereafter give to you, unless otherwise specified, and shall be valid until cancelled by us in writing or revoked by the city or state.

General description of products to be purchased from seller \_\_\_\_\_

I declare under the penalties of false statement that this certificate has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete certificate.

I declare that the information provided herein is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. In addition, by signing this tax exemption form below, I am acknowledging and representing my understanding and acceptance of, and to be bound by, the additional tax terms and conditions set forth below.

Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## **Tax Terms & Conditions**

For purposes of these Terms and Conditions, "Customer" shall mean the buyer of the products referenced in this tax exemption form.

### **Taxes**

Customer shall comply with all applicable state laws including sales and use tax.

### **Indemnification**

Customer shall indemnify Williams-Sonoma DTC, Inc. ("WSDTC") or Williams-Sonoma Stores, Inc. ("WSS"), or any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, parent companies, directors, officers, employees and agents for any tax, interest and penalties that are assessed by a taxing or other governmental authority arising from or related to any failure on the Customer's part to collect and remit legally required tax on tax-exempt purchases.

### **Invoicing – Sales Tax Billing Errors**

If Customer is invoiced sales tax incorrectly, Customer shall claim a tax paid purchase (or similar) credit on their state specific sales tax return for those states which permit the claiming of such credits.

If Customer requires a sales tax refund related to any previous purchases from WSDTC or WSS, a written request including a statement of facts, along with all relevant supporting documentation (e.g., Resales Certificate, etc.), must be submitted within three (3) months of the original invoice date.

### **Audit Requirements**

Customer shall comply with all reasonable requirements and requests of Williams-Sonoma, Inc. ("WSI"), including but not limited to the submission of the state sales tax registration numbers for those states where Customer is sales tax registered and doing business.

In the event that WSI, WSDTC, WSS or any of their affiliates is subjected to any tax audits related to previous sales to the customer on a tax-exempt basis, customer will fully cooperate with WSI in providing all appropriate information, as well as any required documentation, in an effort to meet the tax audit requirements of all tax authorities.

