

# DFA Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration



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purchased for manufacturing *machinery* that is used directly by the manufacturer in producing, fabricating, manufacturing, assembling, processing, finishing, or packaging articles of commerce at their manufacturing facilities in Arkansas are eligible for this benefit. The Department will implement a new rebate procedure for Arkansas manufacturers who remit the sales tax utilizing their own sales and use tax forms for eligible repair, replacement and modification parts and services to their supplier at the time of purchase.

The phase-out will begin July 1st, 2018, the effective rates going forward are as follows:

- Effective July 1, 2018, the net tax rate would be 4.5%
- Effective July 1, 2019, the net tax rate would be 3.5%
- Effective July 1, 2020, the net tax rate would be 2.5%
- Effective July 1, 2021, the net tax rate would be 1.5%
- Effective July 1, 2022, the rate will be 0.0% and fully exempt from taxation.

Effective July 1, 2018

## OFFICE OF SALES AND USE TAX ADMINISTRATION

### Sales Tax Acts

**Act 465:** Provides for a phase-out of the InvestArk retention tax credit program for qualifying Arkansas manufacturers while providing a sales tax exemption for manufacturers on purchases of repair and replacement parts and services for manufacturing machinery and equipment. Repair, replacement, and modification parts and services being

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## OFFICE OF INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATION

### Income Tax Rule

Revenue Rule 2018-1 "Standard Mileage Rates for Income Tax Purposes" was promulgated and adopted by the Department on May 15, 2018.

Explanation of rule:

The rule sets the optional standard mileage rates as follows:

- 1.) For employees or self-employed individuals, the rate will increase by 1 cent from 53.5 cents per mile to 54.5 cents per mile.
- 2.) For transportation expenses deductible as medical or moving expense, the rate will increase by 1 cent per mile from 17 cents per mile to 18 cents per mile.
- 3.) For charitable organizations, the rate will remain at 14 cents per mile.

Effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018

For more information on DFA Revenue Rules, please click the following link: [DFA Revenue Rules](#)

For more information about any act, please click on the following link: [Arkansas Legislature Act Search](#) or call the Individual Income Tax Section at 501-682-1100 or the Corporate Income Tax Section at 501-682-4775 for additional information.

## OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION

### Motor Vehicle Services

The Office of Motor Vehicle, the Office of Driver Services and the International Registration Plan (IRP) Office, began offering services online. All these services are available on the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA's) website at: [mydmv.arkansas.gov](http://mydmv.arkansas.gov)

**Check Title Status Online** – This service will help tax payers to check the status of their application for title.

**Transfer Ownership** – This service will help tax payers to notify the Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV) if they have sold their vehicle to another individual or to a dealer.

**Print Duplicate Registration** – This service will help tax payers to print a duplicate registration online.

**Estimated Sales Tax Calculator** – This service will allow tax payers to calculate how much state tax they will owe for a vehicle before registration.

**Online Pre-Registration** – This service will allow tax payers to input specific Motor Vehicle details and receive a confirmation code for submission. The tax payer should present the confirmation code and necessary documents to their local State Revenue Office clerk to complete the transaction with minimal data input.

**Vehicle Registration** - This service will allow tax payers to register their vehicle online and "SKIP THE TRIP" to their local revenue office. User will enter Motor Vehicle details, pay sales tax, mail documents and obtain a confirmation code. The plate and registration will be mailed once documents have been received, reviewed and approved.  
Effective January 1, 2018



To renew your vehicle registration, change your address on your vehicle registration, or receive vehicle registration renewals by email, please go to the following link: [ARSTAR](#).

For more information on registration renewal, please contact the Office of Motor Vehicle Administration at 501-682-4692 or email at [MVInformation@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:MVInformation@dfa.arkansas.gov).

## OFFICE OF DRIVER SERVICES

### New Services

The Office of Driver Services began offering the following services online at [mydmv.arkansas.gov](http://mydmv.arkansas.gov):

**Change of Address Notification** – Arkansans may now update any change of address online. State law requires notification within 10 days of a change of address.

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**Pre-Registration for First Time License or ID Card** – This will allow those obtaining a first-time license or ID card the opportunity to pre-register online, reducing time spent in the Revenue Office.

**Update your renewal notice preferences to email or text** - Driver license and identification card renewal notices will no longer be mailed, but you may receive them by email or text by registering your preference online.

**Request Records** - Requests for records including a driver's license status/clearance letter and a license reinstatement requirements letter may now be performed online.

**Enter Medical Information** - Commercial Drivers now have the opportunity to enter their required medical information online.

**Emergency Contact Information** - Arkansans may now update their emergency contact information online.

Effective January 1, 2018

## NEW DRIVER'S LICENSE AND STATE IDENTIFICATION CARD

The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) today announced a newly designed Arkansas driver's license and ID card will be issued beginning July 9 at certain Revenue Offices, with each of the 134 Revenue Offices throughout the state issuing the new card by August 28. The new card features distinctive Arkansas images. These include the gold front doors of the State Capitol along with diamonds. The back of the card features a full image of the State Capitol.

Existing licenses and cards, including those issued recently, remain effective through the expiration date. However, if Arkansans would like the new version, they may order a duplicate either in person at a Revenue Office or online at [mydmv.arkansas.gov](http://mydmv.arkansas.gov). The cost is ten dollars for a license and five dollars for an ID. Both are available online beginning July 9. "Arkansas Real IDs" are also eligible for a duplicate order either in person or online.

The new card incorporates innovative security features such as a "ghost image" in the lower right hand corner.

"Over the last three years DFA has prioritized the use of new technology to improve and simplify the services we provide to Arkansans," said DFA Director Larry Walther. "The new license is a great example of this effort. We incorporated new security features that protect citizens from fraud through duplication."

There were 2.15 million active Arkansas driver's licenses in 2017 along with more than 353,000 ID cards. Arkansas is a "one card state," allowing each citizen either one driver's license or ID card.

Newly designed Arkansas driver's license/ID card to be rolled out this summer

*New security features added to protect Arkansans*



**If you just renewed or if still you have time on your current DL/ID it remains valid until expiration.**

Those interested in the date the new license/card will be available at a your local state revenue office may visit [click here](#). You can also click on the [DFA Driver Services](#) link for more information on the Arkansas new driver's license and identification cards.



# HELPFUL DFA REVENUE ROOM NUMBERS

- Room 1310 Central Audit District
- Room 1360 Collections
- Room 1380 Withholding Section
- Room 1450 Audit Coordination
- Room 2240 Miscellaneous Tax
- Room 2250 Corporation Income Tax
- Room 2300 Individual Income Tax
- Room 2350 Motor Fuel Tax
- Room 2370 Tax Credits/Special Refunds
- Room 2380 Revenue Legal Counsel
- Room 2460 Problem Resolution & Tax Information Office

## OFFICE OF FIELD AUDIT ADMINISTRATION

### Reporting Suspicious Tax Activities

To report suspicious tax activities, please go to the following webpage: [Reporting Suspicious Tax Activities](#).

For more information on reporting suspicious activity, please contact the Office of Field Audit by phone at 501-682-4616 or email at [FieldAudit@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:FieldAudit@dfa.arkansas.gov).

## OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT (OCSE)

### OCSE MyWorkers Website

OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT  
WEBSITE FOR EMPLOYERS

Log on to **OCSE MyWorkers**  
to have access to your online  
company information.

<https://www.ark.org/MyWorkers>

## OFFICE OF INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATION

### Credit Card Payment Information

Credit card payments may be made over the telephone for individual income tax debts by calling 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829) or over the Internet by visiting [www.officialpayments.com](http://www.officialpayments.com) and clicking the "Payment Center Link".

If you need more information on making credit card payments, a link is provided in the **Helpful Webpage Links Section** of the *Arkansas State Revenue Tax Quarterly Newsletter* in every issue.

### Important: Upcoming Local Sales & Use Tax Changes in Arkansas Counties & Towns

Updates to Local Sales and Use Taxes  
Please call 501-682-7104 for Periodic  
Updates or click on the following link:  
[Local Sales and Use Tax Updates](#)

City County Name	or	Code	Effective Date	%	Recent Action
Crossett		02-01	7/1/2018	1.250	Decreased
Siloam Springs		04-01	7/1/2018	1.375	Annexation
Siloam Springs		04-01	7/1/2018	1.375	Decreased
Bentonville		04-03	7/1/2018	2.000	Annexation
Cave Springs		04-11	7/1/2018	1.000	Annexation
Alpena		05-02	7/1/2018	1.000	Annexation
Jonesboro		16-11	7/1/2018	1.000	Deannexation
Alma		17-01	7/1/2018	2.000	Deannexation
Greenbrier		23-03	7/1/2018	2.500	Increased
Hot Springs		26-01	7/1/2018	1.500	Annexation
Swifton		34-09	7/1/2018	1.000	Annexation
Trumann		56-05	7/1/2018	2.000	Annexation
Hazen		59-01	7/1/2018	3.000	Annexation
Little Rock		60-05	7/1/2018	1.500	Annexation
Maumelle		60-06	7/1/2018	2.000	Increased
Benton		62-03	7/1/2018	2.500	Annexation
Leslie		64-02	7/1/2018	1.000	Annexation
Greenland		72-06	7/1/2018	3.000	Annexation

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Lincoln	72-15	7/1/2018	2.000	Annexation
Bald Knob	73-17	7/1/2018	1.500	Annexation
Havana	75-07	7/1/2018	1.000	Annexation
Jefferson County	35-00	7/1/2018	1.250	Decreased

Cigarette Excise, Cigarette Papers, Construction Surcharge, Telecommunications Surcharge, Beef Promotions, Catfish Promotions, Corn/Sorghum, Promotion, Bovine/Pseudorabies Fee, Bingo Tax, Rice Promotion  
 09/20/18 Dyed Diesel - Motor Fuel Tax  
 Sales & Use Tax  
 Miscellaneous Tax – Wheat, Waste Tire, Electronic Games of Skill, Wine-Small Farm, Oil, Other Tobacco Products  
 09/24/18 Sales Tax (2nd monthly prepayment)  
 09/25/18 Motor Fuel Tax (Except IFTA)  
 Severance Tax  
 09/30/18 Miscellaneous Tax - Soybean Promotion

# Calendar of Due Dates

### July

07/12/18 Sales Tax (1st monthly prepayment)  
 07/16/18 Miscellaneous Tax (Except Severance taxes, Wheat, Soybean, Wine-Small Farm and Waste Tire) Beer, Liquor, Soft Drink, Cigarette Excise, Cigarette Papers, Construction Surcharge, Telecommunications Surcharge, Beef Promotions, Catfish Promotions, Corn/Sorghum Promotion, Bovine/Pseudorabies Fee, Bingo Tax, Rice Promotion.  
 Employee monthly withholding tax for prior month  
 07/20/18 Sales & Use Tax  
 Dyed Diesel - Motor Fuel Tax  
 Miscellaneous Tax, Wheat, Waste Tire, Electronic Games of Skill, Wine-Small Farm, Oil, Games of Skill (Quarterly)  
 07/24/18 Sales Tax (2nd monthly prepayment)  
 07/25/18 Motor Fuel Tax (Except IFTA)  
 Severance Tax  
 07/31/18 Miscellaneous Tax – Soybean Promotion  
 IFTA – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2018 return

### August

08/13/18 Sales Tax (1st monthly prepayment)  
 08/15/18 Employee monthly withholding tax for prior month  
 Miscellaneous Tax (Except Severance taxes, Wheat, Soybean, Wine - Small Farm and Waste Tire) Beer, Liquor, Soft Drink, Cigarette Excise, Cigarette Papers, Construction Surcharge, Telecommunications Surcharge, Beef Promotions, Catfish Promotions Corn/Sorghum, Promotion, Bovine/Pseudorabies Fee, Bingo Tax, Rice Promotion  
 08/20/18 Dyed Diesel - Motor Fuel Tax  
 Sales & Use Tax, monthly report from previous month  
 Miscellaneous Tax – Wheat, Waste Tire, Electronic Games of Skill, Wine-Small Farm, Oil, Other Tobacco Products  
 08/24/18 Sales Tax (2<sup>nd</sup> monthly prepayment)  
 08/27/18 Motor Fuel Tax (Except IFTA)  
 Severance Tax  
 08/31/18 Miscellaneous Tax – Soybean Promotion

### September

09/12/18 Sales Tax (1st monthly prepayment)  
 09/17/18 Employee monthly withholding tax, for previous month  
 3rd Qtr. Corporation Income Tax estimated income tax (Based on calendar year filer) (EFT filers only)  
 Arkansas Income Tax Returns (Cooperative Association)  
 Miscellaneous Tax (except Severance taxes, Wheat, Soybean, Wine-Small Farm and Waste Tire) Beer, Liquor, Soft Drink,

[Calendar Due Dates for 2018](#)



ATAP is a **FREE** web-based service that gives taxpayers or their designated representative online access to their tax accounts and offers the following services:

- ❖ Make a payment.
- ❖ Register a business.
- ❖ File a return on-line (except individual income tax).
- ❖ File a return using XML return upload.
- ❖ File an annual reconciliation for withholding tax.
- ❖ Change a name on an account.
- ❖ Change an address on an account.
- ❖ Amend a return.
- ❖ Maintain all tax account types via a single login.
- ❖ Assign 3<sup>rd</sup> party logins (CPA, power of attorney, responsible party, & etc.).
  
- ❖ Store banking information for use during payment submission.
- ❖ Upload w-2 information.
- ❖ View tax period financial information (tax penalty, interest, credits, balance, & etc.).
  
- ❖ View payments received.
- ❖ View recent account activity.
- ❖ View correspondence from the department.

The information for this article was cited from the following webpage: [ATAP Information](#).

## HELPFUL WEBPAGE LINKS

[INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE FORM](#)

[INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX E-FILE](#)

[ELECTRONIC FILING PAYMENT OPTIONS INFORMATION](#)

[INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PENALTY WAIVER REQUEST](#)

[OFFERS IN COMPROMISE \(OIC\) FORMS](#)

[POWER OF ATTORNEY \(POA\) FORM](#)

[CORPORATION INCOME TAX FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS](#)

[IRS--WHERE'S MY REFUND LINK](#)

[LOCAL TAX LOOKUP TOOLS](#)

[BUSINESS CLOSURE NOTIFICATION LIST](#)

[CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION](#)

[LIST OF ARKANSAS DFA REVENUE OFFICES & PHONE NUMBERS](#)

[PULASKI COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE](#)

[ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE HOMEPAGE](#)

[ARKANSAS CHILD SUPPORT HOMEPAGE](#)

[ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES HOMEPAGE](#)

[FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER APPLICATION](#)

[MOTOR FUEL TAX](#)

[SMALL BUSINESS CORPORATE \(SUB-S\) REPORTING FORMS](#)

[SALE OR CLOSURE OF BUSINESS FORM](#)

[CLAIM FOR LOW INCOME SALES OF ELECTRICITY, E-416](#)

[MANUFACTURER OF ELECTRICITY UTILITY REDUCED RATE APPLICATION, ET-186 A](#)

[MANUFACTURER OF ELECTRICITY UTILITY REDUCED TAX REFUND REQUEST, ET-186 R](#)

[MANUFACTURING REDUCED RATE APPLICATION/RECERTIFICATION, ET-185ARC](#)

[MANUFACTURING UTILITY REDUCED TAX REFUND REQUEST, ET-185R](#)

[TAX CREDITS AND SPECIAL REFUNDS](#)

[NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF A MOTOR VEHICLE](#)

[REQUEST FOR TITLE WITH BENEFICIARY](#)

[COMPOSITE FILING AND WITHHOLDING FOR PASS THROUGH ENTITIES FORMS AND GENERAL INFORMATION](#)

[STATE TAX RATES](#)

## Contact Info

<a href="#">Corporate Income Tax</a>	501-682-4775
<a href="#">Taxpayer Assistance for Individual Income Tax</a>	501-682-1110 800-882-9275
<a href="#">Sales and Use Tax (Tax Inquiries)</a>	501-682-7104
<a href="#">Motor Fuel Tax</a>	501-682-4800
<a href="#">Problem Resolution and Tax Information Office</a>	501-682-7751
<a href="#">Collections</a>	501-682-5000 501-682-4720
<a href="#">IRS (Taxpayer Advocate)</a>	501-396-5978
<a href="#">IRS Taxpayer Assistance</a>	844-545-5640
<a href="#">IRS Federal Tax Forms</a>	800-829-3676
<a href="#">Revenue Legal Counsel</a>	501-682-7030
<a href="#">Motor Vehicle Administration</a>	501-682-4692
<a href="#">Field Audit Administration</a>	501-682-4616
<a href="#">Driver Services Administration</a>	501-371-5581
<a href="#">Revenue Administration</a>	501-682-7000
<a href="#">Withholding Tax</a>	501-682-7290
<a href="#">Miscellaneous Tax Section</a>	501-682-7187
<a href="#">Tax Credits and Special Refunds</a>	501-682-7106

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## DFA REVENUE



DFA/Revenue Division is sponsoring a Blood Drive with the Arkansas Blood Institute on Tuesday,

August 14, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in Room 2020 in the Ragland Building.

**FYI:** Food trucks are now periodically serving food on the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Marshall Streets, in between the Ledbetter and Justice buildings. The food trucks are usually scheduled to arrive between 10:30 am to 2:00 pm, Monday-Thursday.

## DFA Rule Email Distribution List Sign-Up information

The Problem Resolution and Tax Information Office notifies all interested parties via email when the Revenue Section of DFA promulgates any rules.



To be added to the email distribution list, please email Brandon Smith at: [Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov)

Please state in the email that you would like to be added to the email distribution list to be notified of any changes to DFA's Revenue rules.

The rules (regulations) can be accessed at the following link: [Revenue Rules](#).



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To be added or deleted from the e-mail list, contact Brandon Smith by email at: [Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov), or by mail at

Problem Resolution and Tax Information Office, Ledbetter Building, Room 2460, P. O. Box 1272, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1272.

To view previous Arkansas State Revenue Tax Quarterlies, click on the following link: [Previous Arkansas State Tax Quarterlies](#).

## Upcoming State Observed Holidays

DFA Revenue offices will be closed for the following state observed holiday:

- ✚ Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day
- ✚ Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Labor Day

## Suggestion's Corner

If you have any suggestions about items to be included on any future newsletters, please email your suggestions to [Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov](mailto:Brandon.Smith@dfa.arkansas.gov)