

**Jefferson County  
Housing and Related Services Tax  
Car Dealers and Leasing Companies  
Effective April 1, 2021**

**Effective April 1, 2021**, local sales and use tax within all of Jefferson County will increase one-tenth of one percent (.001). The tax will be used for housing and related services.

Businesses must collect the appropriate new rate of sales tax for retail sales and services provided within all of Jefferson County. Persons or businesses within all of Jefferson County will be subject to the new rate of use tax on items purchased for their personal or business use if sales tax has not been paid.

**Special Reporting Instructions for Sales or Leases of Motor Vehicles:**

Businesses that report sales or leases of motor vehicles (for up to the first thirty-six months of the lease) will need to report using the following location code and tax rate. After the thirty-six months of motor vehicle leases, the original Cities code should be used.

Location	Location Code Number	Local Sales Tax Rate	State Sales Tax Rate	Total Sales Tax Rate
Unincorp. Areas MVET	1650	.023	.065	.088
Port Townsend MVET	1651	.023	.065	.088

**Reporting Instructions for Retail Sales:**

Businesses that report retail sales (other than sales or leases of motor vehicles) will need to report using the following location code and tax rate:

Location	Location Code Number	Local Sales Tax Rate	State Sales Tax Rate	Total Sales Tax Rate
Unincorp. Areas	1600	.026	.065	.091
Port Townsend	1601	.026	.065	.091

Below is an example of how to report local retail sales tax on your excise tax return assuming sales of motor vehicles total \$50,000 and repairs total \$10,000 in Jefferson County.

Location Code	Taxable Amount	Local Rate	Tax Due Cities or Co.
1600	10,000 00	.026	260 00
1650	50,000 00	.023	1,150 00
TOTAL TAXABLE	60,000 00	TOTAL	1,410 00

  

Tax Classification	Taxable Amount	Rate	Tax Due
Motor Vehicle Sales/Leases (eff. 7/1/03)	50,000 00	.003	150 00

New sales tax applies i.e. service and parts.

Represents only motor vehicle sales.

**Note:** The three-tenths of one percent (.003) Motor Vehicle Sales/Lease Tax that was implemented July 1, 2003 still applies to the sale, lease, or rental of motor vehicles.

To determine the proper codes and rates of local sales tax you may access our Tax Rate Lookup Tool located at [dor.wa.gov](http://dor.wa.gov). On the home page, click on the **Find a sales or use tax rate** link.

This notice is being sent to businesses that have reported local sales or use tax to any of the above location codes within the last year.

If you have questions, or if Sales Tax Collection Schedules are needed, please go to our web site at [dor.wa.gov](http://dor.wa.gov) or call the Department of Revenue at 360-705-6705.