

NCLCLB News

Your source for NC Licensed Landscape Contractor information.



FOCUS ON: New Sales Tax Position

The NC Department of Revenue released it's latest position on NC sales tax on April 18, 2018.

This position addresses a number of issues re: sales and use tax for services to real property. Real property is defined as: "[a]ny one or more of the following:

- a. Land.
- b. Building or structure on land.
- c. Permanent fixture on land.
- d. A manufactured home or a modular home on land."

The entire 26-page document can be found on: <https://nclclb.com/nc-sales-tax/>

The position includes definitions of terms, contract clarifications, and a helpful chart that lists out taxable and exempt services. There are several sections of the chart that cover landscape services.

The list of transactions included in the chart provides *general guidance* to assist with making a determination as to the application of sales and use tax to various services to real property. This list is not an all-inclusive list and may be updated in the future by the Department.

North Carolina Department of Revenue		
<i>Disclaimer: This list is not specific tax advice. The application of sales and use tax may differ based on the facts and circumstances of a particular transaction. This list is not an all-inclusive list and may be updated in the future by the Department.</i>		
Transactions by Category	Capital Improvement Gross Receipts are Exempt from Sales and Use Tax Provided the Substantiation Requirements are Met	Repair, Maintenance, and Installation Services Sales Price or Gross Receipts are Taxable Unless Exemption Applies to the Gross Sales Price or Gross Receipts
Kitchens (Cont'd)		
Repair, maintain, install, or replace: cabinets, cabinet doors, countertops, dishwashers, ducted or ductless hoods, exhaust fans, faucets, freezers, garbage disposals, ovens, ranges, refrigerators, sinks, and other installations where the item being installed may replace a similar existing item		Taxable
Landscaping and Yard Care (see also – Driveways, Parking Lots, Roads, and Sidewalks)		
Invisible fence – install, replace, maintain, repair		Taxable
Installation or complete replacement of: fences (permanent), flagstone walks, patio block walks, other types of walks, fountains (except free-standing), sprinkler systems	X	
Repair, maintain, install, or replace irrigation components		Taxable

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NCLCLB does not provide tax or finance services. NCLCLB encourages you to review the position and share with your tax or finance professional to apply these rules to your business accordingly.



Renewal Paperwork Is In The Mail!

NCLCLB is sending renewal forms this month.

A few general reminders:

- 2017-2018 individual and corporate landscape contractor licenses expire July 31, 2017.
- 2018-2019 license renewal applications and payments must be postmarked, or submitted online, on or before August 1, 2018 to avoid reinstatement and late fees.
- You must have completed your seven (7) continuing education credits.
- Your \$10,000 NC Landscape Contractor Surety Compliance Bond or Irrevocable Letter of Credit must remain continuously in force.

Questions?

[EMAIL](mailto:info@nclclb.com) or 919.266.8070.

Need Reinstatement?

Visit <https://nclclb.com/individual-license-reinstatement/> or call the office for details. It's not too late!

Continuing Education

You have three months left to complete your seven (7) continuing education credits for the 2017-2018 license year.

Don't wait until the last minute to complete your continuing education as classes do fill up.

Landscape Contractor licensees need to complete seven (7) hours of Continuing Education (CEL) in a renewal year (August 1 - July 31):

- (3) CEs must be technical (landscape)
- (2) CEs must be business
- The (2) remaining credits can be technical or business.

Benefits to completing credits early:

- Choosing topics you're interested in, not just what is available to meet deadline.
- Saving money on travel and time away from the office.
- Finding available courses in your area before they sell out.
- Having ample time to submit license renewals without stress.

Search online for education classes:

<https://nclclb.com/continuing-education/continuing-education-approved-courses/>