



## Tax Information Publication

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### **Changes to Affidavit Required to Claim Exemption from Sales Tax for Boats Sold by Registered Dealers to Nonresident Purchasers for Removal from Florida**

Effective July 1, 2024, a nonresident purchaser wishing to claim the sales tax exemption provided in section 212.05(1)(a)2., Florida Statutes (F.S.), as amended by s. 28, chapter 2024-158, Laws of Florida (L.O.F.), on a boat purchased from a registered dealer for removal from Florida must provide the selling dealer an affidavit in which the nonresident purchaser affirms it qualifies for the exemption and attests it will provide the documents required to support the exemption to the Florida Department of Revenue (Department) within required time periods.

The Department has revised the suggested format for an affidavit to be completed by a nonresident purchaser and provided to the selling dealer. A copy of the suggested format for the affidavit is attached to this Tax Information Publication.

Removal and documentation submission time frames have not changed and must continue to be met for the claimed exemption to be allowed.

**References: Section 28, ch. 2024-158, L.O.F.; Emergency Rule 12AER24-5, Florida Administrative Code**

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**(SUGGESTED FORMAT)**  
AFFIDAVIT FOR EXEMPTION OF BOAT SOLD FOR REMOVAL  
FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA BY A NONRESIDENT PURCHASER

I, the undersigned, hereby affirm that:

I am not a resident of the State of Florida and did not make my permanent place of abode in Florida at the time of taking delivery of the boat identified below; and (mark which of the following applies)

I am not engaged in Florida in any employment, trade, business, or profession for which the identified boat will be used in Florida.

I represent a corporation which has no officer or director who is a resident of Florida or makes his or her permanent place of abode in Florida.

I represent an artificial entity other than a corporation which has no individual vested with authority to participate in the management, direction, or control of the affairs of the entity who is a resident of Florida or makes his or her permanent place of abode in Florida.

I qualify for the exemption under subparagraph 212.05(1)(a)2., F.S., from Florida sales and use tax on the purchase of the boat identified below for the following reason (mark which of the following applies):

Boat will be removed by me or by my designated agent from Florida within 10 days after the date of purchase.

Boat is to be repaired or altered and will be removed from Florida by me or by my designated agent within 20 days after completion of the repairs or alterations.

Boat is five net tons of admeasurement or larger and I plan to have the boat in Florida for a period up to 90 days after the date of purchase. The selling dealer has affixed a decal set issued by the Florida Department of Revenue authorizing the boat to remain in Florida up to 90 days after the date of purchase. I understand that the boat must be removed from Florida within the 90-day period authorized by the decal set. I understand that I may apply to the selling dealer for an extension decal that authorizes the boat to remain in Florida for an additional 90 days, but not more than a total of 180 days after the date of purchase. I understand the application for an extension decal must be submitted to the selling dealer within 60 days after the date of purchase of the boat and that the extension decal set cost \$425.

I attest that I will provide the following to the Florida Department of Revenue (mark which of the following applies):

( ) Within 30 days of the date of removal of the identified boat from Florida, invoices for fuel, dockage charges, or repairs issued by out-of-state vendors or suppliers or other documentary evidence which specifically identifies the boat, including the hull identification number, and its timely removal from Florida.

( ) Within 90 days of the date of removal of the identified boat from Florida, written proof that the boat was licensed, titled, registered, or documented outside Florida. If written proof is unavailable within 90 days after the date of purchase, proof that I have applied for the license, title, registration, or documentation of the boat outside Florida, and, upon receipt, proof of license, title, registration, or documentation outside Florida.

Name of Purchaser \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_ (Street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State/Country)

Purchaser's Telephone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Selling Dealer \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Selling Dealer \_\_\_\_\_ (Street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

Selling Dealer's Florida Sales and Use Tax Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

Selling Dealer's Telephone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Sale \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)

DESCRIPTION OF BOAT

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Hull Identification No. \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) New ( ) Used

Department of Revenue Decal Number (if issued) \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Department of Revenue Extension Decal Expiration Date (if issued) \_\_\_\_\_

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing affidavit, and the facts stated are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Purchaser)

Original to be submitted to the Florida Department of Revenue, General Tax Administration MS 1-2800, P.O. Box 6417, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6417.

1st copy to be retained by the dealer and made part of the dealer's records.

2nd copy: Purchaser's copy.