



Louisiana Tax Free Membership Application

Louisiana is the first state to offer foreign visitors a refund of state and local taxes on goods purchased from a retailer who is a member of Louisiana Tax Free Shopping (LTFS) Program. Signed into law in 1989, LTFS is a non-profit state government agency under the Louisiana Department of Revenue. LTFS provides international visitors to Louisiana “TAX FREE SHOPPING” state-wide.

The visitor is charged full price including tax at the time of purchase. Merchants simply ask for proof of international status (a foreign picture ID will do) fill out the voucher and provide the voucher with a sales receipt to the international customer. LTFS will provide your store with a book of (30) vouchers at no charge. Thereafter, each additional book (when requested) is \$10.00 for 30 vouchers. No additional bookkeeping/paperwork to the retailers.

International visitors then apply for refunds at four locations throughout the state: Three within the Greater New Orleans area with the fourth in Gonzales or by mail.

The following are some of the benefits of your store will receive is as a member:

- ❖ First Book of Vouchers for FREE
- ❖ Increased exposure and sales from International Visitors.
- ❖ LTFS Logo window decal informing customers that your store participates in the program.
- ❖ Quarterly Marketing Reports indicating the country, number of sales and purchase totals for your entity.

The Louisiana Tax Free Shopping program is supported throughout the state as an essential asset in promoting Louisiana to international visitors such as:

- Louisiana’s Office of Tourism
- Louisiana’s Convention and Visitors Bureaus
- Louisiana’s Lieutenant Governor’s Office

To participate, simply complete the application below and send to the email address below to receive a free book of Tax-Free Vouchers to issue to your international customers.

RESPONSIBLE TO PAY INVOICES

Store Name: _____

Corporate Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Phone: _____

Manager/Contact: _____

Contact: _____

Local Parish Account #: _____

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