

Minnesota Business Tax Education Program

Providing taxpayers with a basic understanding of Minnesota sales and use tax laws

Instructors for Sales and Use Tax Training

All the individuals listed below may instruct and/or answer questions during any of the training we offer through the Minnesota Business Tax Education Program, including:

- Introduction to Sales and Use Tax
- Sales and Use Tax e-Services
- Sales and Use Tax for Cannabis Agricultural Production
- Sales and Use Tax for Cannabis Manufacturing
- Sales and Use Tax for Cannabis Retailers
- Sales and Use Tax for Contractors
- Sales and Use Tax for Local Governments
- Sales and Use Tax for Manufacturers
- Sales and Use Tax for Retailers
- Sales and Use Tax for Schools
- Sales and Use Tax for Taxable Service Providers
- Sales and Use Tax for the Agricultural and Farming Industry
- Sourcing of Sales – Applying State and Local Taxes

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