

Albert Lea 0.5% Sales and Use Tax ends September 30, 2026

Starting October 1, 2026, the 0.5% Albert Lea sales and use tax will no longer apply within the city of Albert Lea. The general rate sales and use tax remains at 6.875% plus any other local sales taxes that apply in Albert Lea.

The tax began April 1, 2006, and was used to pay the costs of projects identified in Laws of Minnesota 2005, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 5, Section 38 and Laws of Minnesota 2005, First Special Session, Chapter 7, Section 41, as amended by Laws of Minnesota 2006, Chapter 259, Article 3, Section 6, as amended by Laws of Minnesota 2014, Chapter 308, Article 3, Section 23 and 36, as amended by Laws of Minnesota 2017, First Special Session Chapter 1, Article 5, Section 12 authorize the above taxes. The taxes are imposed by Albert Lea Ordinance numbers 100, 3d and 208, 6d adopted February 13, 2006, and August 28, 2017.

Registered for Albert Lea Sales and Use Tax

Monthly and quarterly filers will report their final Albert Lea tax amounts on their September 2026 return. If you need to report additional Albert Lea sales or use tax after filing your September 2026 return, you will need to amend your September 2026 return.

Transitional Sales

Albert Lea sales and use tax ends September 30, 2026. When the sales tax rate decreases, the reduced tax rate applies only to bills issued on or after the effective date of the change. It does not matter when the services took place.

Charge the Albert Lea sales tax on the following transactions:

- Lease payments for tangible personal property and motor vehicles that include periods before October 1, 2026.
- Sales of taxable services, including utility services when the bill is issued before October 1, 2026.
- Sales of admission tickets when they are paid for before October 1, 2026, even if the event occurs after that date.

Note: When a bill or invoice separately lists service dates, you may apply the sales tax based on the specific dates of each service.

Information and Assistance

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