Florida DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Florida's 2026 Hunting, Fishing, and Camping Sales Tax Holiday: Frequently Asked Questions for Consumers

1. **What items are exempt during Florida's 2026 Hunting, Fishing, and Camping Sales Tax Holiday?**
   The 2026 Hunting, Fishing, and Camping Sales Tax Holiday is a temporary period during which sales tax will not be collected on the retail sale of certain hunting, fishing, and camping items in Florida. The tax holiday runs **from Tuesday, September 1, 2026, through Thursday, December 31, 2026**, as provided in House Bill 7031E (2026).

   During the tax holiday, sales tax is not due on the retail sale of:

   - **Hunting supplies:**
     - **Ammunition** (as defined in section 790.001(1), Florida Statutes (F.S.))
     - **Firearms**, including:
       - Any weapon designed to expel a projectile by an explosive
       - Pistols, rifles, and shotguns
       - Firearm accessories (see question #2)
     - **Bows and crossbows**
     - **Bow and crossbow accessories**, including:
       - Arrows
       - Bolts
       - Quarrels
       - Quivers
       - Releases
       - Sights or optics
       - Wristguards
   - **Camping and fishing supplies**, including:
     - Bait and fishing tackle priced at **$10 or less** (or **$20 or less** when sold as a set)
     - Flashlights, camping lanterns, tackle boxes, or tackle bags priced at **$30 or less**
     - Camping stoves, collapsible chairs, portable hammocks, and sleeping bags priced at **$50 or less**
     - Rods and reels priced at **$75 or less**, or **$150 or less** if sold as a set
     - Tents priced at **$200 or less**

   For a complete list of qualifying items, see Tax Information Publication (TIP) No. 26A01-06.

2. **Are firearm accessories exempt from sales tax?**
   Yes. During the sales tax holiday, purchases of certain firearm accessories are exempt from tax, including:

   - Barrels
   - Cases or range bags
   - Charging handles
   - Cleaning kits
   - Handguards
   - Holsters
   - Internal parts and components
   - Magazines or other ammunition feeding devices or carriers
   - Pistol grips
   - Shooting chronographs
   - Shooting mats, rests, or bipods
   - Sights or optics
   - Slides or cylinders
   - Slings
   - Stocks or braces
   - Suppressors or silencers
   - Triggers

3. **How is ammunition defined?**
   Ammunition is defined in section 790.001(1), F.S., as any object consisting of all of the following:

   - A fixed metallic or nonmetallic hull or casing containing a primer
   - One or more projectiles, one or more bullets, or shot
   - Gunpowder

3. **If I buy a package or set of items that contains both taxable and tax-exempt items during the sales tax holiday, how is sales tax calculated?**
   If a tax-exempt item is sold in a package or set with a taxable item, sales tax must be calculated on the sales price of the entire package or set.

4. **If I purchase a gift card during the sales tax holiday, can I then purchase a qualifying item tax-exempt using the gift card after the tax holiday ends?**
   No. The purchase of the qualifying item must occur during the sales tax holiday to be tax-exempt. However, when qualifying items are purchased during the tax holiday using a gift card, the items are tax-exempt regardless of when the gift card was purchased.

5. **If a store issues me a rain check for a qualifying item during the sales tax holiday, can I use it after the sales tax holiday to purchase the item tax-exempt?**
   No. A sale occurs when the rain check is redeemed and the item is purchased. The tax exemption applies only if the qualifying item is purchased during the sales tax holiday.

6. **Does the sales tax exemption also apply to items I purchase online?**
   Yes. Eligible items purchased through a marketplace provider or remote seller are tax-exempt when the order is accepted during the sales tax holiday for immediate shipment, even if delivery occurs after the tax holiday ends.

7. **If I place an item on layaway, is it eligible for the tax exemption during the sales tax holiday?**
   Yes. A layaway is when an item is set aside for a customer who makes a deposit, agrees to pay the balance of the purchase price over time, and receives the merchandise at the end of the payment period. Qualifying items placed on layaway during the sales tax holiday are tax-exempt, even if final payment occurs after the tax holiday. If final payment and delivery occur during the tax holiday, the items are also tax-exempt.

8. **I purchased an exempt item during the sales tax holiday, but the business charged sales tax. How can I get a refund?**
   You should present your receipt to the business and request a refund of the tax collected in error. You may provide the business with a copy of **TIP No. 26A01-06** or direct the seller to **floridarevenue.com** for guidance.

9. **Who determines which items are exempt?**
   Sales tax holidays and eligible items are established by the Florida Legislature.

10. **How can I request that a certain type of product be added to the list?**
    You may contact your **local legislators** to share suggestions.

11. **Where can I find more information?**
    If you have a question about a specific item that is not addressed in **TIP No. 26A01-06**, contact the Florida Department of Revenue at (850) 488-6800.

12. **I heard there was another sales tax holiday this year. Where can I find more information about it?**
    House Bill 7031E also provides for a **Back to School Sales Tax Holiday**, to take place from **Monday, July 20, 2026, through Thursday, August 20, 2026.**