

Instructions for Form SDE

Who can apply?

A non-Minnesota contractor can apply for an exemption if your contract exceeds or is expected to exceed \$50,000 or multiple contracts have exceeded \$50,000 cumulative per calendar year for work done in Minnesota.

Before you start

You must have a Minnesota tax ID number from the Department of Revenue to request this exemption.

If you don't have one, you must apply for one. Go to our website at www.taxes.state.mn.us and click "Register for a Minnesota tax ID number" on the e-services menu. If you do not have Internet access, call Registration Services at 651-282-5225 or 1-800-657-3605.

How to apply

To apply for an exemption from Minnesota surety deposits, file Form SDE before the project is started.

Mail this form and any required attachments to the address on the front.

If you're approved

If we approve the exemption, we'll sign the bottom of this form and return it to you. Make a copy for your records and give the original to the business for whom you are doing the work.

If you're not approved

If we determine you're not eligible for exemption, 8 percent of each payment made to you must be withheld by the business for whom you are doing the work and deposited with the Department of Revenue.

To apply for a refund, complete Form SDR, *Refund of Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors*. When the project is complete, and we determine that you have complied with Minnesota income, withholding and sales tax laws, you'll receive a refund plus interest at the current rate required by law.

Use of information

All information on this form is required except for your phone number.

All information is private by state law. It cannot be given to others without your permission, except to the Internal Revenue Service, other states that guarantee the same privacy, the contract owner or bonding company, and certain government agencies as provided by law.

Information and assistance

If you need help or additional information to fill out this form, call 651-282-9999 or 1-800-657-3594. TTY: Call 711 for Minnesota Relay.

A fact sheet on surety deposit requirements (Fact Sheet 12) is also available upon request.

We'll provide information in another format upon request to persons with disabilities.

Exemption from Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors

Please type or print clearly. This will be your mailing label for returning the form to you.

Contractor information

Contractor			Total contract amount	Minnesota tax ID number
Address			\$	
City State Zip Code			Contact person	Daytime phone ()
			Contract starting date	Projected completion date
			Business type (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Sole proprietor	

Project information

Name of business or government agency	Contact person	Daytime phone ()
Contract owner's address City State Zip Code	Project number	
Project location address City State Zip code		

I request exemption from surety deposits under Minnesota law (MS 290.9705) for the following reason (check one and complete the information requested):

- I have a cash surety or a bond secured by an insurance company licensed in Minnesota. The bond must be 8 percent of the total contract amount. **Attach a copy of the bonding agreement.**

Reason for exemption

Bonding company	Bonding agent
Address	Daytime phone ()
City State Zip code	Period of bond (month/day/year) From / / To / /

- I have done construction work in Minnesota during the past three calendar years and have fully complied with Minnesota law regarding Minnesota income, sales and withholding taxes.
- I am performing work for a government agency and have a payment and performance bond.
- I am performing work for a government agency and have a cash surety issued by a state bank, national bank, or savings and loan association doing business in Minnesota.

Sign here

I declare this information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I authorize the Department of Revenue to send a copy of this form to the contract owner and discuss this case and related taxes with the bonding company.

Contractor's signature	Title	Date
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Mail to: Minnesota Revenue, Mail Station 6501, St. Paul, MN 55146-6501

Department of Revenue Approval

The above-named out-of-state contractor is exempt from the surety requirements of Minnesota Statute 290.9705 for this project.

Department of Revenue approval

Date

Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Construction Contractors

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Fact Sheet

Withholding Fact Sheet 12

This fact sheet explains the Minnesota law requiring surety deposits for many non-Minnesota construction contractors (M.S. 290.9705). If you need more information, call the phone number at the bottom of this page.

There must be 8 percent (.08) Minnesota withholding on payments made to non-Minnesota construction contractors once cumulative payments made to the contractor for work done in Minnesota exceed \$50,000 in a calendar year. The 8 percent payment is deposited with the Minnesota Department of Revenue to ensure the contractor's obligations to the State of Minnesota are met for withholding, sales and use, franchise and income taxes.

Contractors are eligible for an exemption if any one of the following applies:

1. The construction contractor gives the department a bond for 8 percent of the contract secured by an insurance company licensed in Minnesota. This is to guarantee that the construction contractor will comply with Minnesota law regarding withholding, sales and use, franchise and income taxes.
2. The construction contractor gives the department a cash surety. A cash surety is evidence of a savings account, deposit, or certificate of deposit in, or issued by, a state bank, national bank, or savings and loan association doing business in Minnesota. Interest and dividends earned on the principal amount may be retained by the contractor.
3. The construction contractor has a payment and performance bond required by government agencies.
4. The construction contractor has done construction work in Minnesota during the past three calendar years and has fully complied with Minnesota law regarding withholding, sales and use, franchise and income taxes.

Construction contractors can apply for an exemption from Minnesota surety deposit requirements by filing Form SDE, *Exemption from Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors*.

If the contractor is not exempt, whoever hires the construction contractor is required to withhold the surety deposit from each payment made to the contractor. Form SDD, *Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors*, is used to make the surety deposit.

The department will hold the surety deposits until the construction contractor's state tax obligations are considered fulfilled. The construction contractor can apply for a refund after the project is completed using Form SDR, *Refund of Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors*. The department will refund, with interest, any amounts held as surety.

In addition, non-Minnesota construction contractors who are carrying on a trade or business as a sole proprietor and who work in Minnesota, are required to have 2 percent withheld from payments of \$600 or more. See Fact Sheet 18 for more information.

Non-Minnesota construction contractors doing work for Minnesota subdivisions (counties, cities, school districts, etc.) must file Form IC134, *Withholding Affidavit for Contractors*, in addition to complying with this surety provision.

Information and assistance

Forms, fact sheets and the withholding instruction booklet are available on our website at www.taxes.state.mn.us. If you don't have Internet access or have questions about your withholding responsibilities, call our office at the number below.

Withholding Tax Division, Mail Station 6501, St. Paul, MN 55146-6501
Phone: 651-282-9999 or 1-800-657-3594 (outside the MN metro area)
Minnesota Relay 711 (TTY)
E-mail: withholding.tax@state.mn.us

This fact sheet is intended to help you become more familiar with Minnesota tax laws and your rights and responsibilities under the laws. Nothing in this fact sheet supersedes, alters, or otherwise changes any provisions of the tax law, administrative rules, court decisions or revenue notices. Alternative formats available upon request.

Surety Deposits for Non-Minnesota Contractors

Please print

Business entity or Minnesota government unit making deposit		Contact person		
Contact person's address		Daytime phone ()		
Name of non-Minnesota contractor	Address	City	State	Zip code
Minnesota tax ID number	Project description/number			

Date of payment _____

Deposit

1	Gross payment made to the contractor	1	
2	Withholding rate	2	.08
3	Amount to withhold from payment (<i>multiply line 1 by line 2</i>).	3	

Send this amount to the address below. Make check payable to Minnesota Revenue.

Mail to: Minnesota Revenue, Mail Station 6501, St. Paul, MN 55146-6501

Instructions for Form SDD

If you're a person, cooperative, business or government unit that has hired a non-Minnesota contractor to perform construction work in Minnesota and the project is over or expected to go over \$50,000 (cumulative per calendar year) you must withhold 8 percent of each payment made to the contractor unless they have received an exemption.

Use Form SDD to make the deposits with the Minnesota Department of Revenue. Notify the contractor of the date and amount of the deposit because the contractor will need that information when requesting a refund.

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