

FYI – For Your Information

Special Regulation: Morticians

Morticians are considered to be rendering and making sales of tangible personal property, and shall collect sales tax in accordance with the following rules:

- (1) If a funeral service is contracted for in one lump sum, with no itemizations, sales tax shall be imposed on the entire amount.
- (2) If a funeral service is contracted for in such a manner that the charges for such articles as caskets, urns, vaults, shipping boxes, clothing, etc., are separately stated from the charges for such services as music, police escort, clergy honorarium, etc., sales tax shall be imposed only upon the selling price of the articles.

The fact that the remains are consigned to a common carrier for delivery elsewhere, whether inside or outside Colorado does

not change the fact that the articles were first used in Colorado and therefore a Colorado taxable sale. These rules apply to all sales of funeral services and related tangible personal property within the state.

Articles purchased and not to be resold in the normal course of business are subject to tax at the time of purchase. Taxfree purchases for resale, when removed from inventory and used in the regular course of his business, must be included in the consumers use tax return for the month in which such articles are removed from inventory.

Citation:
Morticians, Special Regulations for Specific Businesses, 1 CCR 201-5, page 27.



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