

TITLE 3: TAXATION
CHAPTER 2: GROSS RECEIPTS TAXES
PART 211: DEDUCTION - GROSS RECEIPTS TAX - SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY AND LEASE OF MANUFACTURED HOMES

3.2.211.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Taxation and Revenue Department, Joseph M. Montoya Building, 1100 South St. Francis Drive, P.O. Box 630, Santa Fe NM 87504-0630
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3.2.211.2 SCOPE: This part applies to each person engaging in business in New Mexico.
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3.2.211.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Section 9-11-6.2 NMSA 1978.
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3.2.211.4 DURATION: Permanent.
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3.2.211.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/15/96, unless a later date is cited at the end of a section, in which case the later date is the effective date.
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3.2.211.6 OBJECTIVE: The objective of this part is to interpret, exemplify, implement and enforce the provisions of the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act.
[7/15/96; 3.2.211.6 NMAC - Rn, 3 NMAC 2.53.6, 5/31/01]

3.2.211.7 DEFINITIONS:

A. **“Trailer park” defined:** As used in Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978 and regulations thereunder, a “trailer park” is any facility where a manufactured home or recreational vehicle is or may be parked, which facility is operated by a person:

(1) who offers space for one or more manufactured homes or recreational vehicles, either with or without manufactured homes or recreational vehicles located thereon, for rent or hire; and

(2) who provides any of the customary services or facilities for those lodgers, guests, roomers or others who occupy manufactured homes, such as: utilities, garbage service, telephone service, cleaning service, protection service or ground keeping.

B. **“Month” defined:** As used in Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978 and regulations thereunder, a “month” includes any consecutive 30-day period.

C. **“Recreational vehicle” defined:** As used in Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978, the term “recreational vehicle” means a vehicle defined as a recreational vehicle in Section 66-1-4.15 NMSA 1978 or as a travel trailer in Section 66-1-4.17 NMSA 1978.

D. Subsection A of Section 3.2.211.7 NMAC is retroactively applicable to transactions occurring or receipts received on or after July 1, 1998. Subsection C of Section 3.2.211.7 NMAC is retroactively effective on July 1, 1998.

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3.2.211.7 NMAC - Rn, 3 NMAC 2.53.7 & A, 5/31/01]

3.2.211.8 RECEIPTS FROM PROVIDING ACCOMMODATIONS

A. **Change of name of facility:** The operator of a hotel, motel, rooming house, campground, guest ranch, trailer park or other facility which operates in a manner similar to the listed facilities may not, by merely changing the name of the facility, qualify for the deduction granted by Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

B. **Rental of space for less than one month:**

(1) Receipts of a person in the business of operating a trailer park from the rental of a space for a manufactured home or, on or after July 1, 1998, a recreational vehicle for a period of under one month are subject to the gross receipts tax.

(2) Receipts of a person in the business of operating a trailer park from the rental of a space for a

manufactured home or, on or after July 1, 1998, a recreational vehicle for a period of over one month are deductible from gross receipts.

(3) Example 1: X owns and operates a trailer park located in the state of New Mexico. Y rents a trailer space for Y's manufactured home from X on April 15 on a month-to-month basis. Y pays one-half month's rent at that time and signs an agreement to pay rent in advance for each subsequent calendar month. Y pays May's rent on April 29. X may deduct all the receipts from the rental of trailer space to Y because the receipts are from the rental of a space for a manufactured home for over one month.

(4) Example 2: X owns and operates a trailer park located in New Mexico. X leases a trailer space to Y for Y's manufactured home for one year, taking a month's rent in advance. During the third week of the lease period and prior to 30 consecutive days of the lease term, Y breaks the lease and moves out. X may still deduct the rent received from Y covering the first month's occupancy if X is entitled to keep the rent attributable to the portion of the month in which there was no occupancy and if X does not rent that space to anyone else prior to the expiration of the first month.

(5) Example 3: X owns and operates a trailer park in New Mexico. Y does not enter into a lease with X but places a manufactured home in the trailer space as a tenant at will. After a period of three weeks X tells Y to move from the trailer park. X may not deduct the receipts derived from the rental of a trailer space to Y because the rental was for a period of less than one month, and X has no legal right to receive additional rent from Y.

C. Rental of a house trailer:

(1) This version of Paragraph (1) of Subsection C of Section 3.2.211.8 NMAC is applicable to transactions occurring or receipts received on or after July 1, 1998.

(2) This version of Paragraph (2) of Subsection C of Section 3.2.211.8 NMAC is applicable to transactions occurring or receipts received on or after July 1, 1998.

(3) This version of Paragraph (3) of Subsection C of Section 3.2.211.8 NMAC is applicable to transactions occurring or receipts received on or after July 1, 1998.

D. Municipal lodgers and room tax: Receipts of a hotel, motel, rooming house, campground, guest ranch, trailer park or similar facilities subject to the gross receipts tax do not include amounts paid to a municipality which has enacted by local ordinance a municipal lodgers or room tax pursuant to Sections 3-38-13 through 3-38-24 NMSA 1978.

E. Utility sales by landlord: Receipts of lessors of real property from leasing real property when the leases include separately stated amounts for natural gas, electricity or water conveyed as a condition of the lease of the real property to the lessee are deductible under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978. Receipts of trailer parks from space rentals which include separately stated amounts for natural gas, electricity or water sold as a condition of the lease to occupants may be deducted under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978 only if the rental is for a period of at least one month.

F. Rooming houses: Receipts by operators of rooming houses from lodgers, guests, roomers or occupants are not receipts from leasing real property and, therefore, are subject to the gross receipts tax. A dormitory, fraternity or sorority house is a rooming house.
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3.2.211.9 AMOUNT ATTRIBUTABLE TO IMPROVEMENTS AND THE COST OF LAND:

A. The proportion of the receipts from the sale of real property which is attributable to improvements constructed on the real property is determined by:

(1) subtracting from the sales price the cost of the land to the seller; or
(2) if there is substantial evidence that the value of the land is not the cost of the land to the seller, by subtracting from the sales price the value of the land as determined by an independent appraisal acceptable to the department, but in no case may the appraised value of the land exceed the difference between the sale price of the real property and the total cost of the improvements constructed on the real property.

B. The cost of the land to the seller is determined by the original cost of the land to the seller plus any amounts attributable to the land being sold, paid by the seller for offsite improvements such as paving.

C. Example 1: X, a construction company, purchases a lot in 1969 for \$1,000. X builds a house on this lot in 1971. X then sells this real property to Y for \$20,000. On the basis of an F.H.A. appraisal the value of the land is \$5,000; however, the total cost of the improvements constructed on the lot is \$18,000. X would be liable for gross receipts tax on \$18,000. The F.H.A. appraisal, assuming acceptance by the department, is substantial evidence of an increase in the value of the land, but the appraisal value of the land cannot exceed the difference between the sale price of the real property and the total cost of the improvements constructed on the real property.

D. Example 2: X, a construction company, purchases a lot. In order to prepare the lot as a building site, X levels and excavates a portion of the real property. The receipts of X from the sale of real property which are attributable to improvements such as leveling and excavating the lot in preparation of a building site may not be deducted from gross receipts pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

E. Example 3: X, a construction company, purchases a lot, makes certain improvements, and then sells the lot in the ordinary course of business. The receipts of X from improvements on real property owned and sold by it in the ordinary course of business do not include amounts retained by financial institutions which loaned the purchase price directly to the purchaser as prepaid finance charges or discounts, if these amounts are not received by the real estate vendor. It is immaterial whether or not such amounts are included in the quoted real estate price. The receipts of X do include all amounts actually paid over to it which are attributable to improvements constructed on real property sold by X in the ordinary course of business. The receipts of such a business also include any amounts deducted by title insurance companies to cover title insurance, legal fees, escrow fees, real estate brokerage commissions, real estate taxes, principal and interest on construction loans, liens and the like.

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3.2.211.10 REMODELING OR OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

A. A person possessing a valid contractor's license who purchases and improves real property by either remodeling or constructing additional improvements on the property and who subsequently sells the real property with the improvements is considered to be regularly engaged in the construction business. The receipts attributable to the remodeling or other improvements constructed on the real property are subject to the gross receipts tax. The receipts subject to tax are the sales price less the value of the real property purchased. The value of real property (VRP) purchased is computed through the use of a formula. The formula is the ratio of the cost of the real property (CRP) purchased divided by the cost of the real property (CRP) plus the cost of the remodeling or other improvements (CRI) times the sales price (SP), or:

$$VRP = \left(\frac{CRP}{CRP + CRI} \right) \times SP$$

B. The value of real property (VRP) is then subtracted from the sales price (SP) and the difference is the amount attributable to the value of remodeling or other improvements (VRI), which amount is subject to the gross receipts tax, or:

$$SP - VRP = VRI \text{ (Taxable receipts)}$$

C. Example: C, a Construction Company, purchases a lot and house for \$10,000. C then remodels the interior and exterior of the house at a cost of \$15,000 and adds a concrete driveway, patio and walkway at a cost of \$5,000. Upon completion of the remodeling and construction of the other improvements, C sells the real property with improvements for \$60,000. C should compute its taxable receipts as follows:

- (1) Cost of real property (CRP) = \$10,000
- (2) Cost of remodeling and improvements (CRI) = \$15,000 + \$5,000 or \$20,000
- (3) Sales price = \$60,000

$$(4) \quad VRP = \frac{CRP}{CRP + CRI} \times SP = \frac{\$10,000}{\$10,000 + \$20,000} \times \$60,000 = \$20,000$$

$$(5) \quad SP - VRP = VRI \text{ (taxable receipts)} = \$60,000 - \$20,000 = \$40,000 \text{ (taxable receipts)}$$

[5/4/84, 4/2/86, 11/26/90, 11/15/96; 3.2.211.10 NMAC - Rn, 3 NMAC 2.53.10 & A, 5/31/01]

3.2.211.11 UTILITIES - SALE OF COMPANY FACILITIES: Receipts of an electric utility company from the sale of company facilities such as transformer installations or pole lines in place are receipts from the sale of real property and may be deducted from gross receipts pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

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3.2.211.12 LEASE OF ADVERTISING SIGNS:

A. The receipts from leasing advertising signs which are placed or implanted in real property in the possession of and occupied by the lessee, where the lessor reserves the right to remove the signs, are not receipts from leasing real property and are not deductible from gross receipts pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978. Such advertising signs are tangible personal property and are not real property.

B. Example: KR is an automobile manufacturer with dealerships all over the country. Because KR wants its dealerships to be easily recognized it requires them all to display large electric outdoor signs identifying the business as KR dealership. KR leases the signs to the dealerships but reserves the right to remove the signs. KR's receipts from leasing the signs to a New Mexico dealership are subject to the gross receipts tax. KR may not deduct its receipts from leasing these signs from gross receipts pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978 because KR is not leasing real property.

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3.2.211.13 GASOLINE SERVICE STATION EQUIPMENT LEASE RECEIPTS: Receipts attributable to the use by a lessee of equipment, tools and furniture included with the lease of a gasoline service station are not deductible as receipts from leasing real property pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978. Such receipts are from the leasing of tangible personal property. Where the receipts attributable to the leasing of tangible personal property are not shown on the lessor's books and records, the amount to be reported is the reasonable value of the tangible personal property leased prorated over the term of the lease, but in no event shall the reasonable value be less than the depreciated value of the tangible personal property at the beginning of the lease term.

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3.2.211.14 GENERAL EXAMPLES:

A. The following examples illustrate the application of Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

B. Example 1: Y owns a home in Tatum, New Mexico. Y is transferred from Tatum to Aztec and must sell the home. Y sells it to Z. Y does not have to register with the department or report the receipts from the sale of the house because Y is neither engaged in the business of selling houses nor holding out as being engaged in this business. This transaction is exempt from the gross receipts tax as an isolated and occasional sale pursuant to Section 7-9-28 NMSA 1978. However, if Y's house is sold by a real estate broker, the real estate broker's commission is taxable.

C. Example 2: V, a railroad company, rents motel rooms in X's motel on a permanent basis as lodging for its train crews while they wait for a return trip to their home station. The receipts X receives from V are not deductible under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978. If, however, V leases the entire motel from X, X's receipts are deductible under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

D. Example 3: X is engaged in constructing homes on land that X owns and has subdivided. X then sells them to interested individuals. X's sales are sales of real property, but X must pay gross receipts tax on that portion of the receipts that are attributable to the value of the houses and other improvements that X has constructed on the real property.

E. Example 4: X has lived in P, a motel, for fifteen years. X rents a room from the motel for \$1200 per year, payable in twelve monthly installments. P contends that the rental is a rental of real property and is deductible for the purposes of computing its tax liability under the gross receipts tax. The receipts which P receives from X are not deductible. Receipts from the rental of motel rooms are not deductible.

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3.2.211.15 REPEALED

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3.2.211.16 LOCKER ROOMS IN A WAREHOUSE/SELF STORAGE WAREHOUSE UNITS:

A. Receipts from providing individual locker rooms inside a warehouse facility where the tenant must rely on the warehouse owner to gain access to the inside of the building, are receipts from granting a license to use and are not deductible as the lease of real property.

B. Receipts from individual, self-contained storage warehouse units where the tenant has exclusive possession, use and access to the unit and pays a specified periodic rental for the unit are receipts from leasing real property and, therefore, are deductible under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

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3.2.211.17 RECEIPTS FROM LICENSE TO USE REAL PROPERTY:

A. Receipts derived from a license to use real property may not be deducted from gross receipts under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978, except that receipts derived from selling or leasing the entirety of the hunting rights with respect to a property for a period of one year or more will be considered the sale or lease of real property for the purposes of this deduction. Receipts from selling a hunting package are subject to gross receipts tax to the extent that the individual components of the package are not deductible or exempt from the gross receipts tax pursuant to the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act. A person that sells a hunting package that consists of taxable and nontaxable components must reasonably allocate the receipts based on the value of the individual components. For purposes of this section, a "hunting package" may include the following components:

- (1) lodging;
- (2) meals;
- (3) delivery and transportation services;
- (4) guide services;
- (5) license to use the property;
- (6) carcass of the hunted animal; or
- (7) other services or tangible personal property included in the package.

B. Example 1: X owns a ranch in New Mexico and is engaged in the business of ranching. Incidental to X's main business, X permits members of the public to go on X's property to hunt and fish for specified periods. X collects a fee from each person who does so. X's receipts from these fees are subject to the gross receipts tax because X merely granted a license to use. No property is leased or sold. If X sells or leases the entirety of the hunting rights on X's property for one year or more to a single individual or entity, as distinct from permitting several different individuals to hunt for various periods during a year, that constitutes the sale or lease of real property and receipts therefrom may be deducted under Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

C. Example 2: X owns an unlighted dirt parking lot in Albuquerque. Y enters into an agreement with X whereby Y agrees to pay a monthly fee and X agrees to permit Y to park Y's car in an assigned space for a period of one month. Z brings an automobile to X's parking lot and parks it there for a daily fee. Z does so only once. X's receipts from providing the service of supplying parking spaces or selling a license to use parking spaces to Y and Z are not deductible from gross receipts as a lease of real property pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

D. Example 3:

- (1) S owns a flying service and related facilities. S enters into several types of agreements with its customers:
 - (a) an agreement with A on a month-to-month basis, permitting A to store an aircraft in an assigned "stall" in one of several hangars each containing eight to twelve such "stalls", in return for a monthly fee. S specifically limits A's use of the premises to storage of the aircraft in the conduct of A's business in an adjacent airport;
 - (b) an agreement with B, on a month-to-month basis, permitting B to store an aircraft in an assigned "tie-down" space in a large open-span hangar containing spaces for eight such aircraft, in return for a monthly fee;
 - (c) an agreement with C, a transient customer, on an overnight or day- to-day basis, permitting C to store an aircraft in a specified "tie-down" space in the open-span hangar described above, in return for a daily fee.
- (2) S's receipts from providing the service of supplying hangar space and open storage space for aircraft, or of granting a license to use such space, to A, B and C are subject to the gross receipts tax. S's receipts are not deductible from gross receipts as a lease of real property pursuant to Section 7-9-53 NMSA 1978.

E. Example 4: X owns a ranch in New Mexico and sells guided hunting packages. Included in the price for the hunt X guarantees that the hunter will retrieve an animal, lodging at the ranch, meals, experienced hunting guide, retrieval, caping, delivery to local meat processor and taxidermist. Not included in the price are expenses associated with alcohol consumption, meat processing, taxidermy services or gratuities for guides. X receipts from the sale of this type of hunting package includes receipts from providing services, the sale of tangible personal property (meals), the sale of the carcass (possibly livestock) and from granting a license to use the land within the ranch boundaries. X must determine a reasonable method of allocating their receipts between components that are subject to gross receipts tax and those that are exempt from gross receipts tax (sale of livestock).

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BOR 69-4, Regulations in Effect and Pertaining to the New Mexico Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, 12-5-69, filed 12/5/69.

BOR 72-4, Regulations in Effect and Pertaining to the New Mexico Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, 3/9/72, filed 3/9/72.

BOR 74-2, Regulations in Effect and Pertaining to the New Mexico Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, 12/15/73, filed 3/20/74.

BOR 76-1, Regulations in Effect and Pertaining to the New Mexico Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, 7/26/76, filed 7/26/76.

R.D.79-1, Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act Regulations, filed 6/18/79.

R.D. Rule No. 82, Regulations Pertaining to the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, Sections 7-9-1 to 7-9-80.1 NMSA 1978, filed 4/7/82.

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TRD Rule No. 9-86, Regulations Pertaining to the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act, Sections 7-9-1 to 7-9-80.1 NMSA 1978, filed 4/2/86.

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