

# Department of Revenue Change: Reseller Permits

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Are you ready for the Washington Department of Revenue change from resale certificates to reseller permits? Beginning January 1, 2010, resale certificates will no longer be valid in the State of Washington.

**What you need to know:**

If you purchase goods without paying sales tax, you are currently required to provide a resale certificate to the seller. Starting January 1st, you will be required to provide a copy of your reseller permit to the seller. The Department of Revenue will automatically issue reseller permits to certain businesses based on particular criteria during September and October 2009. If you don't automatically receive a reseller permit, you may have to apply for one. Call 1-800-647-7706 or visit [dor.wa.gov/ResellerPermit](http://dor.wa.gov/ResellerPermit) to obtain your reseller permit. The Department of Revenue requests that you allow up to 60 days for your permit to arrive. If you registered your business with the Department of Revenue before January 1, 2009 your initial permit will be valid for four years. However, if your business was registered after January 1, 2009, your permit will only be valid for two years. Contractor permits are slightly different—they will only be valid for one year regardless of when the business was registered.

For more information regarding this change, contact our office.

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