

## Change of Local Tax Rate: City of Athens

### Local Tax Rate Change in Athens, Tennessee

On August 20, 2019, voters in the City of Athens voted to increase the local sales tax rate to 2.75%. The effective date of the tax rate increase is November 1, 2019.

### Application of the New Tax Rate

The new rate will apply to all taxable sales of tangible personal property made on or after November 1, 2019. It also applies to the sale of taxable services for billing periods starting on or after November 1, 2019. Sellers located in the City of Athens must collect and remit tax at this new rate.

The corresponding local consumer use tax rate for people in the City of Athens also increases to 2.75%.

### Single Article Application

The local option tax rate in the City of Athens is applicable to the first \$1,600 of the sales price of any single article of tangible personal property sold, unless that item is specifically exempted from local tax or taxed at another rate by law. The local tax cap on sales of single articles of tangible personal property will be \$44. The local rate is also applicable to the total sales price of any taxable service.

In addition, there is a state single article tax rate of 2.75% applicable to the sales price, from \$1,600.01 up to and including \$3,200, of any item of tangible personal property.

### For More Information

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### References

Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-6-702