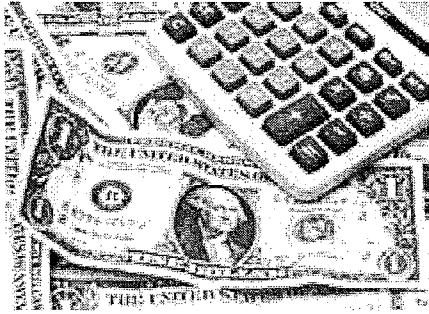


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The Georgia Agriculture Tax Exemption (GATE) is a new program created by Georgia HB386, which offers qualified agriculture producers a sales tax exemption on agricultural equipment and production inputs. This program will replace the Agricultural Certificate of Exemption (ST-A1) form.

Effective January 1, 2013 qualified agricultural producers will be required to have a tax exemption certificate in order to purchase specified products without being charged sales tax on those items.

How does it work?

Qualified agricultural producers must submit their new tax exemption certificate to their retailer in order to receive a sales tax exemption on agriculture equipment and production inputs, starting in January.

How do I apply?

Applications for the exemption certificate will be accepted starting November 15, 2012. Applications may be completed electronically online at <http://www.agr.georgia.gov/> or submitted by mail. Applications also may be available at local county Farm Bureau offices.

Is there a fee for the certificate?

Yes. There is a small fee for the exemption certificate. Cost for the exemption certificate will be \$20 if processed online or \$25 for written applications. Payment can be made with Visa, MasterCard or personal check.

How do I find more information?

More information is available at <http://www.agr.georgia.gov/>. Starting November 15, 2012 questions can be answered by phone at (855) FARM TAX, or (855) 327-6829. If you would like to receive text messages with updates on the new tax exemption program, simply text (GATE) to 72727 or scan the QR code below.

