



# Goods and Services Tax

## Goods Defined

A goods tax is imposed on a taxable supply or a taxable import.

## Taxable Supply

A taxable supply is when the owner transfers or disposes of goods as owner, used goods for himself when the goods were classified as exempt supply; or the owner has a lease, hire-purchase, or finance lease agreement to use the goods. A taxable supply is made in connection with the carrying on of the business of a person as a part of the independent economic activity of that person whatever the results of the economic activity are.

## Taxable Import

Taxable import means every import of goods that is not an exempt import.

## Exempt Import

An exempt import is an exempt supply if it were a supply of goods in Liberia.

## Exempt Supply

Some goods are exempt supplies. See Liberia Revenue Code 2011, Section 1001(e).

## Services Defined

The supply of services means the performance of services by a registered services provider for another person.

A supply of goods incidental to a supply of services will be taxable as a service.

If the supply is both taxable services and goods the Minister will determine the extent to which the supply is to be taxed as a service and the extent to which it is to be taxed as goods.

## Taxable Amount of Goods

The taxable amount of goods is the consideration paid. In a hire-purchase lease agreement or finance lease; when the business owner uses the goods for his personal self, or when a business owner receives no consideration or consideration less than fair market value from a related person, in the foregoing instances, the taxable amount of the goods is the fair market value.

## Related Persons

Related persons are anyone other than an employee who acts in accordance with the wishes and directions of another person whether or not they are in a business relation and whether or not the wishes are communicated to the first mentioned person. Liberia Revenue Code 2011, Section 1046(c).





## GST Table

| GST Type  | Tax Rate |
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| GST Domestic Goods  | 10%      |
| GST on Electricity Services   | 10%      |
| GST on Telecommunication Services   | 15%      |
| GST on Provision of Water for Fee   | 10%      |
| GST on Hotel Services   | 10%      |
| GST on Restaurant Services  | 10%      |
| GST on Gambling Services  | 10%      |
| GST on Sale of Tickets by International Transport Services (air, sea, and land)         | 10%      |
| GST on Services of a Travel Agency or Travel Arranger, including the issuing of tickets | 10%      |
| GST on Sporting or Game Arranger Services, including the issuing of tickets             | 10%      |
| GST on other Services   | 10%      |

