Tax and Fee Information-3392

Introduction

Taxes vary from state to state and city to city - not only in the type of taxes charged but also the services subject to a tax

- As a company, we follow all standards set forth by federal, state and local governments
- For an **itemized description** of taxes and services, **online references** are available on company websites
 - Residential customers:
 https://www.astound.com/support/billing/taxes/
 - Business customers
 : https://www.astound.com/business/legal-disclosures/taxes/
- FCC Consumer Alerts and Fact Sheet

Resolution Steps

For questions **beyond** the information we have to share with customers, customers may contact **their federal**, **state or local officials for assistance**

- This Tax Exempt Information can assist to answer customers questions about tax exempt status or submitting a request for tax exemption
- Rate Adjustment and Surcharge FAQs contain information on these

surcharges:

- Broadcast TV
- Sports
- Entertainment Network
- Municipal Construction
- Subscriber Line Charges
- Taxes are charged for some internet services:
 - There are no federal or Illinois state taxes on modem service
 - Franchise agreements require us to collect a 5% franchise fee on gross revenues generated as a result of the city granting us the franchise to build our cable plant
 - City of Chicago, we also must assess a 2% Amusement Tax this levied on all paid programming
 - This is actually a 7% tax, but the city considers the 5% franchise fee as contributing toward the 7% required, thus we only charge the difference -- 2%
 - FCC Regulatory Fee, which is determined on an annual basis and apportioned on a per-account basis throughout the year
- Refer all tax, fee and surcharge **credit requests** to the IT Billing Team via Service Now ticket
 - Tax Adjustment Codes
 - DC Metro (Site 9)
 - Illinois (Site 14)
 - Massachusetts (Site 22)

- New York (Site 33)
- Pennsylvania (Site 39)
- Offnet Dial Up (Sites 91 and 92)
- <u>Texas (Site 44)</u>
- California, Oregon, Washington (Site 48)

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