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Chapter: <b>Government Accounting Policy</b>			
Directive Title: <b>ACCOUNTING FOR GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST) AND HARMONIZED SALES TAX (HST)</b>			

## 1. POLICY

The Government pays GST/HST on all taxable purchases, claims a rebate for the tax paid under the terms of the Canada – Nunavut Reciprocal Taxation Agreement (RTA), and collects and remits GST on all taxable sales.

## 2. DEFINITION

### **Goods and Services Tax (GST), Harmonized Sales Tax (HST)**

GST/HST are value-added taxes levied on most goods and services sold for domestic consumption in Canada. GST/HST are imposed under *Part IX* of the *Excise Tax Act*.

## 3. DIRECTIVE

For the purpose of GST/HST, the Government is registered as an entity with the Government of Canada. This entity consists of all government departments and the Legislative Assembly, as well as public agencies listed in Schedule A of the RTA. For convenience, Schedule A of the RTA is reproduced as Schedule A of this directive.

This directive applies to all government departments, the Legislative Assembly and public agencies listed in Schedule A of the RTA.

## **4. PROVISIONS**

### **4.1. Payment of GST/HST**

The Government pays GST/HST on all taxable purchases of goods and services, and such tax must be accounted for separately on each transaction document.

### **4.2. Collection of GST**

The Government will collect GST on all taxable sales of goods and services, as defined in the *Excise Tax Act*, and will account for the tax separately on each transaction.

### **4.3. Remitting of GST Collected**

GST collected under provision 4.2. of this directive will be remitted to the Canada Revenue Agency by the Financial Reporting and Controls division, Department of Finance.

### **4.4. Recovery of GST/HST Paid**

All GST/HST paid will be coded to a separate GST/HST account and will be recovered by the Financial Reporting and Controls division, Department of Finance.

### **4.5. Rebates of GST/HST**

Those entities that are eligible for the GST/HST rebate in the RTA effective as of January 1, 2017, are listed in Schedule A of the RTA.



## SCHEDULE A

### **Government of Nunavut Entities Entitled to Government Rebate**

All Government of Nunavut departments and Legislative Assembly

#### District Education Authorities

Apex District Education Authority  
Arctic Bay District Education Authority  
Arviat District Education Authority

Baker Lake District Education Authority

Cambridge Bay District Education Authority  
Cape Dorset District Education Authority  
Chesterfield Inlet District Education Authority  
Clyde River District Education Authority  
Commission scolaire francophone du Nunavut  
Coral Harbour District Education Authority

Gjoa Haven District Education Authority  
Grise Fiord District Education Authority

Hall Beach District Education Authority

Igloolik District Education Authority  
Iqaluit District Education Authority

Kimmirut District Education Authority  
Kugaaruk District Education Authority  
Kugluktuk District Education Authority

Nauyasat District Education Authority

Pangnirtung District Education Authority  
Pond Inlet District Education Authority

Qikiqtaaluk District Education Authority

Rankin Inlet District Education Authority  
Resolute District Education Authority



Sanikiluaq District Education Authority

Taloyoak District Education Authority

Whale Cove District Education Authority

Others

Legal Services Board of Nunavut

Nunavut Arctic College

Nunavut Business Credit Corporation

Nunavut Housing Corporation

Qullit Nunavut Status of Women Council

Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut