

Information Notice

NOTICE
The Tobacco Tax Act
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MANITOBA TOBACCO STAMP

New Manitoba Tobacco Stamp for Cigarettes and Fine Cut Tobacco

- Effective April 1, 2012, Manitoba will adopt the federal tobacco stamping regime for packages of cigarettes and fine cut tobacco sold for consumption in Manitoba.
- There will be a 6 month transition period from April 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012. During this period, manufacturers may mark packages of cigarettes and fine cut tobacco for consumption in the province with a Manitoba tear tape and/or a Manitoba tobacco stamp.
- All packages of cigarettes and fine cut tobacco manufactured after September 30, 2012 must be marked with a Manitoba tobacco stamp.
- For a limited time after September 30, 2012, both the Manitoba tear tape and/or the Manitoba tobacco stamp may appear on packages of cigarettes and fine cut tobacco sold for consumption in the province.
- The Manitoba tobacco stamp will be a modified version of the federal tobacco excise stamp. Below is a sample of the Manitoba tobacco stamp, which will be available in the following denominations:



Cigarette Packages:	Fine Cut Tobacco:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 cigarettes• 25 cigarettes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 grams• 100 grams• 150 grams• 200 grams• 250 grams• 400 grams

No Change for Other Tobacco Products

- The requirement to mark tobacco products for consumption in Manitoba with the Manitoba tobacco stamp will not apply to raw leaf tobacco, cigars, pipe tobacco and other tobacco products that were not previously subject to Manitoba tear tape marking requirements. There is also no change to the marking requirements for cartons and cases of tobacco.

Further information on the Manitoba tobacco stamp may be obtained from:

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