

AvaTax for Communications

Streamlined tax calculation for growing tax complexity

AvaTax for Communications makes it easier to identify and calculate communications taxes, fees, and surcharges for not only traditional telecom, but also new industries that may be responsible for communications tax liability as they expand product scope. This has become especially relevant with the breadth of capabilities that 5G now offers.

Who can we help? Telecom is now far beyond traditional wireline, wireless, cable, internet, and even VoIP. Technology companies may be responsible for communications tax if they are integrating VoIP into solutions. Media companies may have compliance concerns with content offerings. Countless companies in many industries that are adding sensors for IoT devices also need to understand possible communications tax implications.

Adding complication, communications taxes vary by jurisdiction and how products are bundled. Tax accuracy can be complex and time consuming.

AvaTax for Communications reduces risk and helps your team remain agile. Avalara's communications tax team continuously monitors tax statutes, regulatory rules, and rate changes across thousands of tax jurisdictions. Our comprehensive SaaS-based solution is regularly updated to reflect these ever-changing requirements.

This means your team isn't weighed down with research and making manual updates, or maintaining software. Updates are seamlessly handled and your team remains available to work on other projects.

How it works. AvaTax for Communications connects to your existing billing platform or ERP system via a pre-built connector or API. It easily handles the most complex communications tax calculations like tax on tax, tiered taxation, self-taxing rates, and tax inclusive — even when they are bundled. Extensive historical rate and application history are included and clear output is provided to improve accurate invoicing.

Additional included tools to help increase accuracy and boost productivity:

- Geo for Communications assigns the taxing jurisdiction by latitude/longitude identifier, locating the address with street level precision
- Communications Customer Portal simplifies tax lookups and research and gives access to flexible, customizable reporting options
- Bundler makes it easy to create and manage tax bundles for items with differing tax treatments, billing as a single transaction while unbundling to tax separately
- Rate and Logic Modifier provides full control of tax policy and customization, including overrides of built-in rules and rates

Also available to streamline processes:

- **Exemption Management** allows you to flag exempt customers within the tax engine with a variety of setup options
- Professional Services are available for help with difficult tax challenges or large, complex implementations



AvaTax for Communications is part of the Avalara for Communications Suite - a transaction tax compliance solution built to manage communications taxes across a variety of industries.

AvaTax for Communications

identifies and calculates communications taxes, fees, and surcharges.

Returns for Communications

handles monthly communications tax return preparation, filing, and remittance, as well as other additional compliance services.

Avalara for Communications

works with many billing platform partners to support easy integration. API options are also available for a custom integration.

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Get started with Avalara AvaTax for Communications today!

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