

**701—225.2(423) Services used in the repair or reconditioning of certain tangible personal property.**

Services are exempt from tax when used in the reconditioning or repairing of tangible personal property of the type that is normally sold in the regular course of the retailer's business and that is held for sale by the retailer.

EXAMPLE 1: A owns a retail appliance store and contracts with B to repair a refrigerator that A is going to resell. A can purchase the repair service from B tax-free because A is regularly engaged in selling refrigerators and will offer the refrigerator for sale when it is repaired.

EXAMPLE 2: B, a used car dealer, owns a used car lot and contracts with C to repair a used car that B is going to sell. B can purchase the repair service from C tax-free because B is regularly engaged in selling used cars and will sell the used car after it is repaired.

EXAMPLE 3: C operates a retail farm implement dealership. C accepts a motorboat as part consideration for a piece of farm equipment. C then contracts with D to repair the motor on the boat. C does not normally sell motorboats in the regular course of C's business. Therefore, the service performed by D for C is subject to tax.

EXAMPLE 4: XYZ owns a retail radio and television store in Iowa and contracts with W to repair a television that XYZ is going to sell. XYZ can purchase television repair service tax-free from W because XYZ is regularly engaged in selling televisions subject to sales tax. However, in this instance, XYZ sells the used television and delivers it into interstate commerce with the result that the Iowa sales tax is not collectible. Regardless of this fact, the exemption is applicable, and no Iowa tax is due for the television repair services performed.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 423.1(55) and 423.3(50).

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