

2026 Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday

Alabama will hold its annual severe weather preparedness sales tax holiday, beginning Friday, February 20, at 12:01 a.m. and ending Sunday, February 22, at midnight. This event gives shoppers the opportunity to purchase certain severe weather preparedness items free of state sales tax. Local sales tax [may](#) still apply. For more information, contact the Sales and Use Tax Division at 334-242-1490 or 866-576-6531.

COVERED ITEMS - \$60 or Less, per ITEM		
Eligible		
• AAA-cell batteries • AA-cell batteries • C-cell batteries • D-cell batteries • 6-volt batteries • 9-volt batteries • Cellular phone battery • Cellular phone charger • Portable self-powered or battery-powered radio, two-way radio, weatherband radio or NOAA weather radio • Portable self-powered light source, including battery-powered flashlights, lanterns, or emergency glow sticks	• Tarpaulin • Plastic sheeting • Plastic drop cloths • Other flexible, waterproof sheeting • Ground anchor system, such as bungee cords or rope, or tie-down kit • Duct tape • Plywood, window film or other materials specifically designed to protect window coverings • Non-electric food storage cooler or water storage container • Non-electric can opener	• Artificial ice • Blue ice • Ice packs • Reusable ice • Self-contained first aid kit • Fire extinguisher • Smoke detector • Carbon monoxide detector • Gas or diesel fuel tank or container
Noneligible		
• Coin batteries • Automobile and boat batteries		

A single purchase with a sales price of \$1,000 or Less
Eligible
Any portable generator and power cords – used to provide light or communications or preserve food in the event of a power outage.