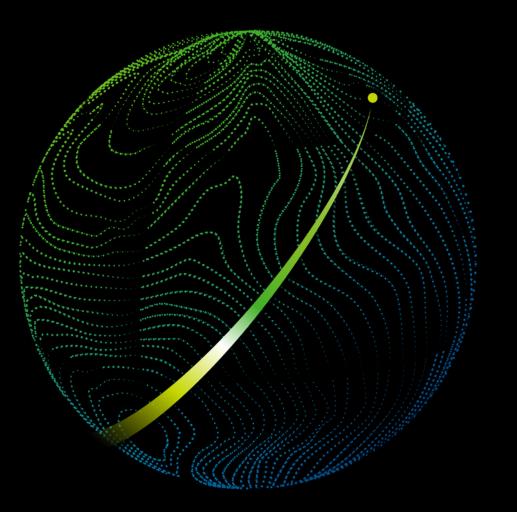
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## Administrative ruling on conditions and requirements for suppliers of it systems for issuance of invoices and other tax documents

Administrative Ruling no. SNAT/2024/000121, issued by the National Tax and Customs Administration Office (SENIAT, for its acronym in Spanish) was published in Official Gazette no. 43.032, dated December 19, 2024; the Ruling provides for regulations on the Conditions and Requirements for Suppliers of IT Systems used for Issuance of Invoices and Other Tax Documents.

This normative text is aimed at regulating the conditions and requirements to be observed by suppliers of IT systems used to issue invoices and other tax documents, for standardization and authorization by SENIAT.

Below is a summary of the most relevant regulations.

#### **General provisions**

The ruling states that both individuals and companies offering IT systems for issuance of invoices and other tax documents shall be previously authorized by SENIAT.

#### **Requirements and conditions of IT systems**

IT systems must meet certain technical requirements that will guarantee the integrity, continuity, reliability, unchangeability and security of records; allow the remission of electronic data to SENIAT; allow the modification of invoices only through the use of debit notes and credit notes; and provide SENIAT with a password to access the system for consultations.

#### **Authorization**

Suppliers of IT systems for issuance of invoices and tax documents shall request from the SENIAT's National Intendency for Internal Taxes an authorization indicating the requesting party's data, email address, data sheet of the IT system

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(description of software, language, database, monitoring and audit, type of connection), digital technical manuals and sworn declaration of not being involved in situations entailing the authorization's denial.

After submission of requirements, the Tax Administration shall inform the requesting party of the date, place, and time for technical evaluation of the system on which a binding report will be issued about the compliance with characteristics, conditions and technical requirements demanded.

Upon issuance of the evaluation report, SENIAT will have 15 business days to make a decision as to the standardization and authorization of the IT system.

The following facts are grounds for denial of authorization:

1. Noncompliance with requirements and conditions demanded.

- 2. Irregular, inconsistent, or false date furnished.
- One of the partners, directors or managers has been a member of an entity whose authorization has been revoked; is a public employee; is related to SENIAT offices; or has been convicted for certain crimes.
- 4. Omissions in filings or payments of taxes.

#### **Obligations of suppliers**

Suppliers must not trade unauthorized systems or provide programs that will facilitate the deviation of tax records; they must guarantee that no unauthorized equipment will be connected and inform SENIAT of any irregularities or changes in the IT system. Both the developer and the supplier of IT systems are accountable for unauthorized changes the user may apply to systems.

#### **Revocation**

SENIAT can revoke a supplier's authorization for noncompliance with the standards contained in this Administrative Ruling and in tax legislation, for noncompliance established in the Special Law against IT Crimes, as well as for irregularities in data furnished and other major offences.

#### **Transitory provisions**

Taxpayers will have 90 days to adapt or acquire IT systems standardized and authorized, and 30 days for authorized Digital printing agencies to inform SENIAT of IT systems used for standardization purposes; both periods of time start as from the effective date of the standard.

#### **Final provisions**

SENIAT reserves the right to conduct audits and evaluations of authorized systems, apply sanctions for noncompliance and publish on its fiscal portal the list of authorized suppliers and authorizations revoked.

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#### **Effective date**

This Ruling is effective as from its publication in Official Gazette of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, i.e., December 19, 2024.



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