# Feature Focus Guide: Tax by Destination

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## About Tax by Destination

Tax by Destination at a Glance	
Core Product	Aloha Quick Service, Aloha Table Service
Complementary Products	Aloha Takeout
Separate License Required?	An 'Aloha Takeout and Delivery' license is required. Note: An 'Aloha Takeout and Delivery Mapping' license is not required for Delivery area functionality.
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Tax regulations may require you to assess taxes based on the location to which you deliver or cater an order rather than the location of your restaurant, referred to as 'tax by destination.' Aloha<sup>®</sup> Takeout v13.1 enables you to easily comply with tax by destination using tax functionality available in the Aloha POS system, and options available in Aloha Takeout. The Tax by Destination feature keys off of the ZIP code to which you deliver or cater an order. If the ZIP code is one for which tax by destination rules apply, the system calculates the tax using the tax rate you establish for that ZIP code.

If you are a site already using Aloha Takeout, not a new installation, do not alter your existing tax types or flex tax rules, as you use these for calculating taxes based on the location of your store. You do, however, need to build on your existing tax structure and create new tax types and flex tax rules specifically for supporting the Tax by Destination feature.

**SCENARIO:** Your restaurant resides in ZIP code 76155 and delivers to two additional ZIP codes, 76021 and 76039, which are subject to different tax rates than ZIP code 76155. Additionally, delivered bottled water is not subject to tax. It is necessary for you to configure and use the Tax by Destination feature.

For the purpose of demonstrating the Tax by Destination feature, the procedures included in this document assume this is a new Aloha Takeout installation and depict how to configure Tax by Destination to meet the requirements for this scenario.

Note

To support the Tax by Destination feature, you must be on Aloha POS vs 13.1 or later.



### Configuring Tax by Destination

This section details the configuration requirements within Aloha Manager and Aloha Configuration Center (CFC) for Tax by Destination. If you are an experienced user, refer to Procedures at a Glance for abbreviated steps. If you prefer more detail, continue reading this document.

Procedures at a Glance:	
If you are viewing this document using Adobe Acrobat Reader, click each link for det regarding the task.	tailed information
1. Configure the Aloha POS for Tax by Destination.	
Access Maintenance > Taxes to configure taxes for tax by destination. See p	<u>age 6</u> .
Select <b>Tax Locale</b> to create tax locales for each ZIP code in your delivery area	a.
Select <b>Tax Type</b> to create a tax type for each jurisdiction for which you must sulf you have not created a tax type for your store location, it is necessary to do s	upport tax regulations. so.
Select <b>Flex Tax Rules</b> to create as many flex tax rules as needed to support you each delivery area that is subject to tax by destination. The system requires you of flex tax rules to support the Tax by Destination feature: 'Always' and 'Tax loc 'Tax locale' flex tax rules.	our store location and to create two methods ale.' Create a chain of
Select <b>Tax Group</b> to edit or create tax groups. Associate the necessary tax groups locale' flex tax rule in the 'Tax locale' flex tax chain. As needed, create additional such as delivered bottled beverages.	oups with the first 'Tax al tax groups, for items
Optionally, access <b>Maintenance &gt; Menu &gt; Items</b> to assign tax groups to item previously done so. See <u>page 18</u> .	ns, if you have not
Select <b>Maintenance &gt; Labor &gt; POS Access Levels</b> to provide designated e ability to override a tax calculated by destination. See <u>page 19</u> .	employees with the
2. Configure Aloha Takeout for Tax by Destination. See page 20.	
Access <b>Maintenance &gt; Takeout Configuration &gt; Takeout Settings &gt; Ord</b> the Tax by Destination feature for each order mode for which you may need to destination. (For example, delivery and catering.)	<b>er Modes</b> to enable assess a tax by
Access <b>Maintenance &gt; Taxes &gt; Tax by Destination</b> to associate a ZIP code locale in the Aloha POS.	in ATO with a tax
3. Select Utilities > Refresh POS & All Products to refresh the data. See page	<u>21</u> .



#### Configuring Tax by Destination in the Aloha POS

There are a number of configuration requirements within the Aloha POS to support the Tax by Destination feature. Do not alter existing tax types or flex tax rules, but rather create new ones to use specifically, and only, for supporting Tax by Destination.

#### **Creating tax locales**

Create a tax locale for each ZIP code in your delivery area, including your store location. Referring back to the scenario, it is necessary to create three separate tax locales, one for your store location of 76155, and one each for the two ZIP codes to which you deliver, 76021 and 76039.

#### 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Tax Locale.

2. Click **New** to add a tax locale.



Figure 1 Tax Locale

- 3. Accept the system assigned **number** or click the **ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 4. Type a **name** for the tax locale. We recommend using the ZIP code for the name.
- 5. Type a **description** for the tax locale, such as precise street boundaries.
- 6. Click Save.
- 7. Repeat this procedure for **each ZIP code**. In addition to creating a tax locale for your store location, create a tax locale for each ZIP code to which you deliver.
- 8. Exit the **tax locale** function.



#### Creating tax types

Create a tax type for each jurisdiction for which you must support tax regulations. Enter the tax percentage as a total of all state and local sales taxes.

Referring back to the scenario, it is necessary to create a tax type for ZIP code 76155, which is the store location, one tax type each for the ZIP codes to which you deliver, 76021 and 76039, and a tax type for delivered bottled beverages, which are subject to a tax rate of '0.00.'

#### To create a tax type to support your store location:

#### R Note

If you are an existing ATO installation, a tax type for your store location already exists and you do not need to create another one. Skip this procedure and move to the next one to create tax types for each jurisdiction for which you must support tax regulations.

#### 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Tax Type.

ах Туре		
Tax Type: 101 76155 Primary Tax Ex	clusiveRate	× 📰
х Туре		
Settings		
Number	101	
Name	76155	
Description	Store Location	
Туре	Primary Tax	
Method	Exclusive Rate	
Percentage	8.00000	
Minimum taxable amount	0.00	
Maximum tax amount	0.00	
Property Management System tax ID	None	-
Accounts receivable account	None	

Figure 2 Tax Type Store Location

- 2. Click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.
- 3. Accept the system assigned **number** or click the **ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 4. Name the **tax type** using the ZIP code for your store location, for ease in identification.
- 5. Type a **description** to help identify this tax type as one for your store location, such as 'Store Location.'
- 6. Select Exclusive Rate from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 7. Enter the **percentage** as a total of all state and local sales taxes.
- 8. Click Save.



To create a tax type for each delivery area subject to tax by destination:

1. While still in the **Tax Type** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Tax Type: 102 76021 Primary Tax Ex	clusiveRate	
Tax Type		
Settings		
Number	102	
Name	76021	
Description	East of store 76021	
Туре	Primary Tax	
Method	Exclusive Rate	
Percentage	8.25000	
Minimum taxable amount	0.00	
Maximum tax amount	0.00	
Property Management System tax ID	None	
Accounts receivable account	None	-

Figure 3 Tax Type Additional Zip Codes

- 2. Accept the system assigned **number** or click the **ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Name the **tax type** using the ZIP code for the corresponding delivery area, for ease in identification.
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this tax type as one for this tax locale, such as a geographical location followed by the ZIP code or a major street followed by the ZIP code.
- 5. Select Exclusive Rate from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Enter the **percentage** as a total of all state and local sales taxes.
- 7. Click Save.

## To create as many tax types as needed to support additional tax rules, such as zero tax on delivered bottled beverages:

1. While still in the **Tax Type** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Тах Туре	
Tax Type: 105 BottledDel Primary Tax	ExclusiveRate 🔹 📰
Тах Туре	
E Settings	
Number	105
Name	BottledDel
Description	Bottled Beverage Delivery
Туре	Primary Tax
Method	Exclusive Rate
Percentage	0.00000
Minimum taxable amount	0.00
Maximum tax amount	0.00
Property Management System tax ID	None
Accounts receivable account	None

Figure 4 Tax Type Delivered Bottled Beverages

- 2. Accept the system assigned number or click the ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Name the **tax type** using a name for ease in identification, such as 'BottledDel' for delivered bottled beverages.



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- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this tax type as one for this additional tax rule, such as 'Bottled Beverage Delivery.'
- 5. Select Exclusive Rate from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Enter the **percentage** as a total of all state and local sales taxes.
- 7. Click **Save** and exit the **Tax Type** function.

#### Creating flex tax rules

Create as many flex tax rules as needed to support your store location and each delivery area that is subject to tax by destination. The system requires you to create two methods of flex tax rules to support the Tax by Destination feature: 'Always' and 'Tax locale.'

#### **B** Note

If you are an existing ATO installation, an 'Always' flex tax rule for your store location may already exist and you do not need to create another one. However, you still need to create all other flex tax rules required to support the Tax by Destination feature.

#### It is necessary to:

1. Create an 'Always' flex tax rule for:

The store location

-AND-

Each tax locale that is subject to tax by destination,

-AND-

Each additional tax rule you need to support, such as delivered bottled beverages.

Associate the 'Always' flex tax rule with the corresponding tax type you created for it in the Tax Type function. For example, when creating an 'Always' flex tax rule for your store location, associate that rule with the tax type you created for your store location (ZIP code 76155 in the scenario).

2. Create a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule set for:

Each tax locale to which you are subject to tax by destination,

-AND-

Each additional tax rule you need to support.

You establish a link from one 'Tax locale' flex tax rule to another until you reach the end of the chain, which you then link back to the 'Always' flex tax rule for the store location. For each 'Tax locale' flex tax rule, it is necessary to make selections for:

Apply tax if tax locale is - Select a tax locale for a ZIP code subject to tax by destination.

Chain to if successful - Select the 'Always' flex tax rule that corresponds to the tax locale or additional tax rule for which you are currently creating a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule.



Chain to if fails - Select the next 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the chain. The exception is when you create the last 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the chain, which must link back to the 'Always' flex tax rule for the store location.



Figure 5 Flex Tax Rule Set Flow

Later in this configuration, you will specify for which order modes you want to enable tax by destination. For example, you want to enable tax by destination for the order mode you use for delivery orders, but not for the order mode you use when the guest picks up their order at your store. When you apply an order mode for which you enable tax by destination, ATO reads the ZIP code in the delivery address, compares it to the postal codes in ATO to determine the tax locale in the POS. The system does the following:

- 1. Reads the first item in the order and uses the tax group assignment to determine the first 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the chain.
- 2. If the tax locale matches the selection in 'Apply tax if tax locale is,' the system processes the 'Chain to if successful' link, which chains to an 'Always' flex tax rule associated with a tax type. It then drops out of the chain and calculates taxes using the rate associated with the tax type.

If the tax locale does not match the selection in 'Apply tax if tax locale is,' the system processes the 'Chain to if fails' link. The 'Chain to if fails' link chains to the next 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the chain.

3. The system repeats step 2 until it either meets a successful condition or gets to the last 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the chain, whichever comes first. If the tax locale fails to meet the successful condition for the last 'Tax locale' flex tax rule, the fail condition in this rule links back to the 'Always' flex tax rule for the store location and the system calculates the taxes accordingly.



#### Create flex tax rules of the 'Always' method needed to support tax by destination

In the scenario, it is necessary to create four 'Always' flex tax rules, one for the store location of 76155, one each for the ZIP codes to which the store delivers, 76021 and 76039, and a fourth for delivered bottled beverages.

#### To create an 'Always' flex tax rule for your store location:

#### Note

If you have previously created an 'Always' flex tax rule for your store location, skip this procedure and move to the next one to create 'Always' flex tax rules for each jurisdiction for which you must support tax regulations.

#### 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Flex Tax Rule.

Flex Tax R	ule		
	Flex Tax Rule: 1 A 76155 PrimaryFlexTax Always		-
Flex Tax Rule			
E Settings			
Number		1	
Name		A 76155	
Description		Store Location	
Туре		PrimaryFlexTax	
Method		Always	•
🗉 Always			
Tax type		76155	•

Figure 6 Primary Flex Tax Rule Store Location Always

- 2. Click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.
- 3. Accept the system assigned number or click the Ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 4. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. We suggest using 'A' for 'Always' followed by the ZIP code. In the scenario, the name is 'A 76155.'
- 5. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule, such as 'Local Store.'
- 6. Select Always from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 7. Select the **tax type** you created for the store location from the 'Tax type' drop-down list.
- 8. Click Save.



To create an 'Always' flex tax rule for each delivery area for which you are subject to tax by destination:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax Rule		
Flex Tax Rule: 2 A 76021 Prim	aryFlexTax Always 🔻	
Flex Tax Rule		
E Settings		
Number	2	•••
Name	A 76021	
Description	FT Always 76021 East of store	
Туре	PrimaryFlexTax	
Method	Always	•
E Always		
Tax type	76021	-



- 2. Accept the system assigned number or click the Ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. We suggest using 'A' for 'Always' followed by the ZIP code. In the scenario, the name is 'A 76021.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule, such as a geographical location followed by the ZIP code or a major street followed by the ZIP code.
- 5. Select Always from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Select the **corresponding tax type** you created for this delivery area.
- 7. Click Save.

#### To create an 'Always' flex tax rule for each additional tax rule you need to support:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax R	ule		
	Flex Tax Rule: 112 A BottledDel PrimaryFle	exTax Always	-
Flex Tax Rule			
🖬 Settings			
Number		112	
Name		A BottledDel	
Description		Bottled Beverage Delivery Always FT	
Туре		PrimaryFlexTax	
Method		Always	•
🗉 Always			
Tax type		BottledDel	-

Figure 8 Flex Tax Rule Bottled Beverage Delivery Always

- 2. Accept the system assigned number or click the Ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. We suggest using 'A' for 'Always' followed by an identifier for the rule. In the scenario, the name is 'A BottledDel.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule.
- 5. Select Always from the 'Method' drop-down list.



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- 6. Select the **corresponding tax type** you created for this tax rule.
- 7. Click Save.

## Create flex tax rules of the 'Tax locale' method needed to support each tax locale subject to tax by destination

The 'Tax locale' flex tax rules are where you create your chain of flex tax rules. First, create a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in which the 'Chain to if fails' is the 'Always' flex tax rule of your store location. Second, create the other 'Tax locale' flex tax rules. In the scenario, it is necessary to create two 'tax locale' flex tax rules for food items.

## To create the 'Tax locale' flex tax rule wherein the 'Chain to if fails' is the 'Always' flex tax rule for the store location:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax Rule		
Flex Tax Rule: 103 TL 76039 PrimaryFlexTax	TaxLocale	-
Flex Tax Rule		
Settings		
Number	103	
Name	TL 76039	
Description	FT Locale 76039	
Туре	PrimaryFlexTax	
Method	Tax locale	•
🖬 Tax locale		
Apply tax if tax locale is	76039	•
🖬 Chaining		
Chain to if successful	A 76039	•
Chain to if fails	A 76155	•



- 2. Accept the system assigned **number** or click the **Ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. We suggest using 'TL' for 'Tax locale' followed by the ZIP code. In the scenario, the name is 'TL 76039.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule.
- 5. Select Tax locale from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Select a **tax locale** from the 'Apply to if tax locale is' drop-down list. In the scenario, the tax locale is '76039.'
- 7. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** that corresponds to the tax locale selected in 'Apply to if tax locale is' in the 'Chain to if successful' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A 76039.'
- 8. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** for your store location in the 'Chain to if fails' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A 76155.'
- 9. Click Save.



To create a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule for each tax locale (delivery area) for which you are subject to tax by destination:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax Rule		
Flex Tax Rule: 102 TL 76021	PrimaryFlexTax TaxLocale	-
Flex Tax Rule		
🗖 Settings		
Number	102	
Name	TL 76021	
Description	FT Locale 76021 East of Store	
Туре	PrimaryFlexTax	
Method	Tax locale	
🖬 Tax locale		
Apply tax if tax locale is	76021	
🖬 Chaining		
Chain to if successful	A 76021	
Chain to if fails	TL 76039	



- 2. Accept the system assigned number or click the Ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. We suggest using 'TL' for 'Tax locale' followed by the ZIP code. In the scenario, the name is 'TL 76021.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule.
- 5. Select Tax locale from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Select a **tax locale** from the 'Apply to if tax locale is' drop-down list. In the scenario, the tax locale is '76021.'
- 7. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** that corresponds to the selected tax locale in 'Apply to if tax locale is' in the 'Chain to if successful' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A 76021.'
- 8. Select a **'tax locale' flex tax rule** from the 'Chain to if fails' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'TL 76039.'
- 9. Click Save.

## Create flex tax rules of the 'Tax locale' method needed to support additional tax rules for tax by destination

It may be necessary to create 'Tax locale' flex tax rules to support additional tax rules, such as zero tax on delivered bottled beverages. First, create a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in which the 'Chain to if fails' is the 'Always' flex tax rule of your store location. Second, create the other 'Tax locale' flex tax rules. In the scenario, it is necessary to create two 'Tax locale' flex tax rules to support zero tax on bottled beverages.



To create a 'Tax locale' flex tax rule for each additional tax rule you need to support wherein the 'Chain to if fails' is the 'Always' flex tax rule for the store location:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax Rule		
Flex Tax Rule: 123 TL BD 760	139 PrimaryFlexTax TaxLocale	-
Flex Tax Rule		
Settings		
Number	123	
Name	TL BD 76039	
Description	76039 bottle delivery	
Туре	PrimaryFlexTax	
Method	Tax locale	•
Tax locale		
Apply tax if tax locale is	76039	•
🗉 Chaining		
Chain to if successful	A BottledDel	
Chain to if fails	A 76155	•

Figure 11 'Tax Locale' Flex Tax Rule For Bottled Delivery

- 2. Accept the system assigned number or click the Ellipsis (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. In the scenario, the name is 'TL BD 76039,' to identify the rule as 'Tax locale Bottled Delivery 76039.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule, for ease in identification.
- 5. Select Tax locale from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Select a **tax locale** from the 'Apply to if tax locale is' drop-down list. In the scenario, tax locale is '76039.'
- 7. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** that corresponds to additional tax rule in the 'Chain to if successful' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A BottledDel.'
- 8. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** for your store location from the 'Chain to if fails' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A 76155.'
- 9. Click Save.



To create a 'tax locale' flex tax rule for each additional rule for each locale for which you are subject to tax by destination:

1. While still in the **Flex Tax Rule** function, click the **New** drop-down arrow, select **Primary** as the tax type, and click **OK**.

Flex Tax Rule		
Flex Tax Rule: 122 TL BD 760	21 PrimaryFlexTax TaxLocale	
Flex Tax Rule		
Settings		
Number	122	
Name	TL BD 76021	
Description	76021 bottle delivery	
Туре	PrimaryFlexTax	
Method	Tax locale	-
🖃 Tax locale		
Apply tax if tax locale is	76021	•
Chaining		
Chain to if successful	A BottledDel	•
Chain to if fails	TL BD 76039	•



- 2. Accept the system assigned **number** or click the **Ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 3. Type a **name** for the flex tax rule. In the scenario, the name is 'TL BD 76021,' to identify the rule as 'Tax locale Bottled Delivery 76021.'
- 4. Type a **description** to help identify this flex tax rule, for ease in identification.
- 5. Select Tax locale from the 'Method' drop-down list.
- 6. Select a **tax locale** from the 'Apply to if tax locale is' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is '76021.'
- 7. Select the **'Always' flex tax rule** that corresponds to additional tax rule in the 'Chain to if successful' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'A BottledDel.'
- Select a 'tax locale' flex tax rule from the 'Chain to if fails' drop-down list. In the scenario, this is 'TL BD 76039.'
- 9. Click Save.



#### Creating or editing tax groups

The Aloha POS applies tax rates to menu items, rather than by order mode, making it necessary to edit tax groups and associate the tax groups with the first 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the 'Tax locale' flex tax rule chain. You only need to edit those tax groups associated with items for delivery or catering orders.

#### To edit a tax group:

- 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Tax Group.
- 2. Select a tax group from the 'Tax Group' drop-down list.

Tax Group		
Tax Group: 1 Tax Group 1		-
Tax Group		
Identification		
Number	1	
Name	Tax Group 1	
Taxes		
Primary tax	FOOD	•
Secondary tax	None	•
Secondary flex tax	None	•
Vendor tax	None	•
Surcharge	None	•

Figure 13 Tax Group with Primary Tax

	Tax Group			
		1 Tax Group 1		-
Ī	Tax Group			
ľ	Identification			
I	Number		1	••
I	Name		Tax Group 1	
I	🖃 Taxes			
I	Primary flex tax		TL 76021	-
I	Secondary tax		None	-
I	Secondary flex tax		None	-
I	Vendor tax		None	-
I	Surcharge		None	-

Figure 14 Tax Group with Primary Flex Tax

- 3. Under the 'Taxes' group bar, select **None** from the 'Primary tax' drop-down list. When you select None, the 'Primary flex tax' drop-down list appears.
- 4. Select the a 'Tax locale' Primary flex tax rule. The rule you select should be the first 'Tax locale' flex tax rule in the flex tax rule set. In the scenario, the first 'tax locale' flex tax rule is 'TL 76021.'
- 5. Click Save.
- 6. Repeat for **each tax group** as necessary.

#### Note

When you edit the tax group for an item with an additional tax rule, such as delivered bottle beverages, you must use the first tax locale flex tax rule you created for delivered bottle beverages.



#### To create a tax group:

- 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Tax Group.
- 2. Click the **New** drop-down arrow.
- 3. Use the next unassigned **number** or use the **ellipsis** (...) button to choose your own number.
- 4. Under the 'Identification' group bar, type a **name** for the tax group.
- 5. Under the 'Taxes' group bar, select a **flex tax rule** from the 'Primary flex' tax drop-down list.
- 6. Click **Save** and exit the **Tax Group** function.

#### Assigning tax groups to items

If you have not assigned Tax Groups to items, assign them at this time. Otherwise, proceed to the next section.

#### 1. Select Maintenance > Menu > Items.

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2. Select an item from the Item drop-down list.

TROMS		
Item: 4510 CHICKEN FAJ	ITAS FOOD	
Item Modifier   Pricing   General Settings   Print   Quick Coun	t   Dynamic Modifiers	
Settings		
Number	4510	
Short name	Chik\nFajitas	
Chit name	CHIK FAJITAS	
Chit name alternate		
Long name	CHICKEN FAJITAS	
Long name alternate		
Туре	Standard	
Button image	None	
Control name		
Ask for description		
Cost	0.0000	
Export Id	0	
🖬 Assignments		
Tax group	Tax Group 1	
Concept	None	
Sales/retail category	FOOD	
🗉 Auto menu		
13 Priority	1 Highest	

Figure 15 Tax Group Items

- 3. Select the **Item** tab.
- 4. Under the 'Assignments' group bar, select the **tax group** to associate with this item from the 'Tax group' drop-down list.
- 5. Click Save.
- 6. Repeat for **each item** not already associated with a tax group.
- 7. Exit the **Items** function.



#### Providing the ability to override tax by destination

Aloha Takeout allows you to provide an employee, such as a manager, with the access to override a tax calculated by destination. Aloha Takeout calculates tax by destination according to ZIP code. In some situations, it is possible to have one ZIP code encompass two different tax jurisdictions. In those instances, you may need to override the tax rate for the ZIP code and apply the tax rate of a different ZIP code.

- 1. Select Maintenance > Labor > POS Access Levels.
- 2. Select an access level from the 'POS Access Level' drop-down list.
- 3. Under the 'Aloha Takeout' group bar, select **Can override tax locale**.
- 4. Click Save.
- 5. Repeat for **each access level** that can override tax by destination.
- 6. Exit the **POS Access Levels** function.



#### Configuring Tax by Destination in Aloha Takeout

Once you complete the configuration steps within the Aloha POS, you then configure tax by destination in Aloha Takeout. First, you enable tax by destination for each order mode for which tax by destination applies and then you define the tax locales for Aloha Takeout.

#### Enabling tax by destination by order mode

You enable tax by destination in Aloha Takeout by order mode. In most cases, you only need to enable this feature for delivery and catering order modes.

- 1. Select Maintenance > Takeout Configuration > Takeout Settings > Order Modes.
- 2. Under the 'Order Modes' group bar, select an **order mode** for which you apply orders subject to tax by destination.

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Call-In	Takeout	Had V			
Catering	Catering	Remove			
Curbside	Curbside	Order mode			
2. Delivery	Delivery				
Walk-In	Walk-In				
Order Modes Properties Receipt Printer   Sundries Items Printer   Sundries Orders Printer					
Settings					
Print label					
Enable tax by destination (requires POS 13.1)	✓				

Figure 16 Enable Tax By Destination

- 3. In the Order Modes Properties tab, under the 'Settings' group bar, select **Enable tax by destination** for the selected order mode.
- 4. Repeat for **each order mode** for which you want to enable tax by destination.
- 5. Click Save and exit the Takeout Settings function.



#### Associating ZIP codes in your delivery area to POS tax locale

Remember, in <u>Creating tax locales</u>, you created a tax locale for each ZIP code within your delivery area. In this section, you associate the ZIP codes in your delivery area that are subject to tax by destination to a corresponding POS tax locale.

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#### 1. Select Maintenance > Taxes > Tax by Destination.



- 2. Click **New** to create a new record with an ID of '1.'
- 3. Under the 'Postal Codes' group bar, click **Add** to add a blank row.
- 4. In the 'Postal code' column, type a **ZIP code** in your delivery area that is subject to tax by destination.
- 5. Select the corresponding **POS tax locale** to associate with the entered ZIP code from the 'Tax locale' drop down list.
- 6. Repeat **this procedure** for each ZIP code in your delivery area that is subject to tax by destination.
- 7. Click Save and exit the Tax by Destination function.

#### Refreshing the data

After all settings are in place in Aloha Manager, you must select Utilities > POS > Refresh POS & All Installed Products to transfer the new information to the FOH terminals, or wait for the End-of-Day (EOD) process to accomplish the data refresh for you. If you run the refresh prior to the EOD process, select 'Automatically restart all POS terminals' and click OK to continue. After the data refresh is complete, all new settings become operational across the Aloha network.

#### Caution

Refresh data with caution and never during peak hours of operation. All FOH terminals reboot during a refresh and are down for a short period of time.



### Using ATO Tax by Destination

Aloha Takeout applies tax by destination when you apply a check to an order mode for which you enable tax by destination and the delivery area is one for which you are subject to tax by destination. If a tax locale applies to the order, the system displays 'Tax Locale: ZIP code' to the check detail on the Order Confirmation screen. The system also displays the same message on the bottom left side of the Check Details screen. No additional steps are required in the ordering process, unless you want to override the tax locale the system applied to the order.



Figure 18 Order Confirmation Screen Tax by Destination

#### **Overriding Tax by Destination**

Aloha Takeout uses ZIP codes to determine the tax rate to assess. In some instances, a ZIP code may include two separate tax jurisdictions. Aloha Takeout enables you to override the tax locale associated



with the zip code and assess the tax rate of a different tax locale, which would normally be the tax locale for your operation.

1. At the Order Confirmation screen, touch **Edit Guest** on the top right side of the screen. The Customer Details screen appears.

	First Name: Jimmy Last Name: OutOfArea
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	Cell Number: Cell Number:
	Dwelling Type: Unknown City: Euless
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Figure 19 Tax Locale Drop-Down List

- 2. At the Home tab, select a tax locale from the drop-down list.
- 3. Obtain **authorization**, if necessary. An employee with the ability to override tax locale must authorize this transaction.

If you cannot approve a tax locale override, request **manager assistance**. A manager or employee with sufficient access must enter their **login credentials** to allow the tax locale.

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- 4. At the Customer Details screen, touch **OK**. The Order Confirmation screen appears and the updated tax locale appears in the bottom left portion of the screen.
- 5. Proceed with the **order** as normal.



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