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October 1, 2024

Dear Fundraiser Organizer:

The holiday season will soon be upon us, making it time to prepare for your 2024 Poinsettia Fundraiser Campaign with Varner's Greenhouse! We are excited to offer wholesale pricing on our stunningly gorgeous poinsettias in various sizes and colors, allowing you to set a price to produce considerable profits for your fundraising campaign.

Varner's offers two fundraising programs as follows:

- The Direct Sales Program
- The Voucher Sales Program

The following pages explain these programs in more detail. Some organizations use both programs simultaneously, which is an option for you.

This special pricing is available to non-profit organizations, churches, schools, institutions, groups, leagues, and businesses that can provide the organization's status documentation. If you are eligible to claim sales tax exemption, the proper state sales tax exemption forms for Indiana and Michigan are included with this document to be completed by you.

As we get late into the season, we cannot guarantee that all the products will be available in all the colors and sizes listed on the order forms, and substitutions may become necessary. We will do our best to supply you with what you have ordered. If we cannot, we will contact you to let you know what options are available.

We appreciate your consideration of Varner's as your holiday season fundraising partner and value our relationship with you. If you need additional information or have questions, please contact us by phone, email, fax, or visit our website. All those resources are listed at the top of the page.

Kind regards,



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## **Direct Sales Program**

### **Program Overview:**

The Direct Sales Program works by having your sales team take orders from donors. The orders are turned in to the Fundraiser Organizer. The Fundraiser Organizer compiles the orders, completes the VGH 2024 Poinsettia Fundraiser Order Form, and sends it to Varner's to fill the order. Your order can be picked up at the greenhouse, or we will deliver it to a central location, where the poinsettias will be unloaded for distribution to your donors by your sales team/volunteers.

**NOTE:** For ease of distribution, we strongly recommend limiting your sale to two or three sizes and colors; however, we leave this for you to decide. You may also choose the Pot Cover: red, green, gold, or silver. For fundraisers, we limit the foil to one color per plant size. Churches may cover all plant sizes in one or two colors. When the plants are picked up by you or delivered by us, they will include pot covers and protective plastic sleeves and be in cardboard boxes.

## **Organizational Requirements:**

- Approval of your organization by Varner's management.
- A minimum order of \$500.00 is required to qualify for fundraiser wholesale pricing.
- If claiming sales tax exemption, a Michigan 3372 or Indiana ST-105 Form must be on file. Please contact our office if you need one of those forms.

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## **Program Process:**

- 1. Contact us ASAP to set your delivery or pick-up date, as the most sought-after dates book quickly. (Please note that we don't deliver on Sundays.)
- 2. Decide how much profit you want to make and set your price. Your profit is the difference between your selling price and our wholesale price.
- 3. Create an order form for your organization that your sales team can use to take orders.
- 4. Next, sell, sell, sell!
- 5. At the end of the selling phase of your fundraising event, we ask that you tally your sales team's orders and complete the VGH 2024 Poinsettia Fundraiser Order Form and send it to us no later than ten (10) days before your scheduled delivery or pickup date. The Poinsettia Fundraiser Order Form is available in both Excel (auto calculations) and PDF file formats and can be downloaded at our website or sent by email if requested. The completed order form can be emailed to <a href="mailto:orders@varnersgreenhouse.com">orders@varnersgreenhouse.com</a>, faxed to (269) 684-4924, or mailed to or dropped off at our office at 70294 Fir Rd., Niles, MI 49120. We will accept minor alterations to your order up to three (3) days before delivery or pickup.
- 6. You will be given an invoice on your delivery or pick-up day. If you have not established terms with us, payment will be expected at that time. For those who have established terms with us, you will receive an invoice at the delivery time. Please pay from that invoice.

## **Delivery Requirements and Service Fees:**

- A minimum order may be required depending on distance and other factors. It is determined on a case-by-case basis.
- **IMPORTANT:** If you choose delivery, you will need volunteers from your organization at the location when we arrive with the delivery to assist in unloading the truck we send. We will deliver your entire order to the location you designated.
- A delivery service fee will be based on the distance and the number of trucks needed. The minimum fee is \$40.00. Call our office for a quote for your location.

If you are interested in the Direct Sales Program, please contact us for more information and reserve a date for delivery or pick-up.

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## **Voucher Sales Program**

## **Program Overview:**

The Voucher Sales Program makes it easy because you don't need to handle or deliver the plants. You create vouchers and give them to your sales team, who will sell them to donors for a set price. Many donors like vouchers because they can come to Varner's Greenhouse and pick out the plants they like best.

## **Organizational Requirements:**

- Approval of your organization and voucher by Varner's management.
- A minimum order of \$500.00 is required to qualify for fundraiser wholesale pricing.
- If claiming sales tax exemption, a Michigan 3372 or Indiana ST-105 Form must be on file.

### **Program Process:**

- 1. Decide how much profit you want to make and set your price. Your profit is the difference between your selling price and our wholesale price.
- 2. You create your voucher proofs with a start date no earlier than November 15, 2024, and an expiration date no later than December 20, 2024, and submit them to Varner's for approval (example included in this document for your reference).
- 3. After Varner's approval, give the vouchers to your sales teams to sell to your donors. Your sales team members will collect the funds from your donors and turn them into the fundraiser organizer(s).
- 4. Your donors bring the vouchers they purchased from your sales team to Varner's Greenhouse and pick out the items referenced on the voucher.
- 5. Your donor will take the vouchers and selected products to one of our cashiers, who will collect the vouchers.
- 6. After the voucher's expiration date, Varner's will tally the vouchers and send an invoice for the number of each product represented on the vouchers.
- 7. Prompt payment of your invoice is much appreciated.

If you are interested in the Voucher Sales Program, don't hesitate to contact us for more information or to get the process started.

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## **Sample Voucher:**

# 2024 Voucher – Redeem at Varner's Greenhouse

Located at 70294 Fir Rd., Niles, MI 49120

#1 of 500

Redeemable for: One (1) 6.5-inch Poinsettia

Purchased from: YOUR ORGANIZATION'S NAME

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THIS IS A DONATION. AND PRICES AT VARNER'S WILL BE LOWER

NO SUBSTITUTIONS ARE PERMITTED WITHOUT VARNER'S MANAGEMENT APPROVAL

Start date: November 15, 2024 Expires: December 20, 2024

#### **Guidelines for Voucher Creation:**

- The voucher size should be about the size of a dollar bill.
- It is recommended that you have a numbering system.
- Only one voucher for a single redeemed item is allowed.
- Other information that should be included in the voucher:
  - Description of redeemable item
  - Your organization's name
  - The start and the expiration dates of the event.

**One last note**: we suggest you encourage your donors to redeem their vouchers earlier rather than later (within the designated timeframe indicated on the voucher) to ensure a full selection of products and total satisfaction.

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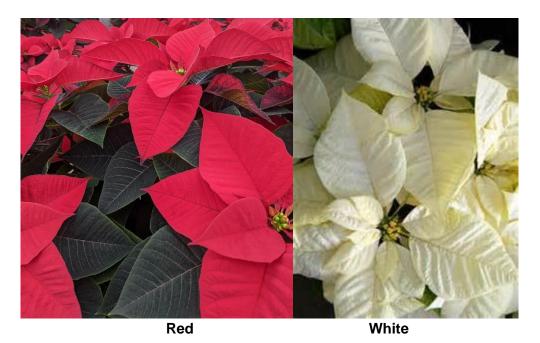


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## **POINSETTIA COLOR SAMPLES**



Jingle Bell Marble Pink



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## **Poinsettias Wholesale Price List**

2024 Poinsettias Wholesale Price List		
	Wholesale Price	
4.5-in. Single Plant, 2 to 4 Blooms	\$3.82	
6.5-in. Single Plant, 3 to 6 Blooms	\$6.39	
7.5 in. Double Plant, 4 to 11 Blooms	\$11.89	
8-in. Triple Plant, 8 to 15 Blooms	\$15.99	
10-in. Super Triple Plant, 9 to 17 Blooms	\$22.09	

#### Form ST-105 State Form 49065 (R5 / 6-17)

Indiana Department of Revenue

## **General Sales Tax Exemption Certificate**

Indiana registered retail merchants and businesses located outside Indiana may use this certificate. The claimed exemption must be allowed by Indiana code. Exemption statutes of other states are not valid for purchases from Indiana vendors. **This exemption certificate can not be issued for the purchase of Utilities**, **Vehicles**, **Watercraft**, **or Aircraft**. Purchaser must be registered with the Department of Revenue or the appropriate taxing authority of the purchaser's state of residence.

Sales tax must be charged unless <u>all</u> information in each section is fully completed by the purchaser. Purchasers not able to provide all required information must pay the tax and may file a claim for refund (Form GA-110L) directly with the Department of Revenue. A valid certificate also serves as an exemption certificate for (1) county innkeeper's tax and (2) local food and beverage tax.

	Name of Purchaser:				
Section 1 (print only)				ZIP Code:	
	Purchaser must provide minimum of one	ID number below.*			
	Provide your Indiana Registered Retail Merchant's Certificate TID and LOC Number as shown on your Certificate.				
		LOC Num	nber (3 digits):		
	If not registered with the Indiana DOR, provide your State Tax ID Number from another State  *See instructions on the reverse side if you do not have either number.				
	State ID Number:	State of Iss	ue:		
Section 2	Is this a  blanket purchase exemption request or a  single purchase exemption request? (check one)  Description of items to be purchased:				
Section 3	Purchaser must indicate the type of exen	nption being claimed for this p	ourchase. (check one or exp	olain)	
	Sales to a retailer, wholesaler, or manufacturer for <b>resale</b> only.				
	Sale of manufacturing machinery, tools, and equipment to be used directly in direct <b>production</b> .				
	Sales to <b>nonprofit organizations</b> claiming exemption pursuant to Sales Tax Information Bulletin #10. (May not be used for personal hotel rooms and meals.)				
	Sales of tangible personal property predominately used (greater then 50 percent) in providing <b>public transportation</b> - provid USDOT Number. A person or corporation who is hauling under someone else's motor carrier authority, or has a contract as a <b>school bus operator</b> , must provide their SSN or FID Number in lieu of a State ID Number in Section 1.				
	USDOT Number:				
	Sales to persons, occupationally engaged as farmers, to be used directly in production of <b>agricultural</b> products for sale. <b>Note:</b> A farmer not possessing a State Business License Number may enter a FID Number or a SSN in lieu of a State ID Number in Section 1.				
	Sales to a <b>contractor</b> for exempt pro	ojects (such as public schools	, government, or nonprofits	).	
	Sales to Indiana Governmental Uni	<b>its</b> (agencies, cities, towns, m	unicipalities, public schools	, and state universities).	
	Sales to the <b>United States Federal Government</b> - show agency name.  Note: A U.S. Government agency should enter its Federal Identification Number (FID) in Section 1 in lieu of a State ID Number.				
	Other - explain.				
Section 4	I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the property purchased by the use of this exemption certificate is to be used for an exempt purpose pursuant to the State Gross Retail Sales Tax Act, Indiana Code 6-2.5, and the item purchased is not a utility, vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft.				
	I confirm my understanding that misuse, (either negligent or intentional), and/or fraudulent use of this certificate may subject both me personally and/or the business entity I represent to the imposition of tax, interest, and civil and/or criminal penalties.				
	Signature of Purchaser:		Date:		
	Printed Name:		Title:		

## **Instructions for Completing Form ST-105**

All four sections of the ST-105 must be completed or the exemption is not valid and the seller is responsible for the collection of the Indiana sales tax.

#### Section 1

- A) This section requires an identification number. In most cases this number will be an Indiana Department of Revenue issued Taxpayer Identification Number (TID see note below) used for Indiana sales and/or withholding tax reporting. If the purchaser is from another state and does not possess an Indiana TID Number, a resident state's business license, or State issued ID Number must be provided.
- B) Exceptions For a purchaser not possessing either an Indiana TID Number or another State ID Number, the following may be used in lieu of this requirement.

Federal Government – place your FID Number in the State ID Number space.

Farmer – place your SSN or FID Number in the State ID Number space.

**Public transportation haulers** operating under another motor carrier authority, or with a contract as a school bus operator, must indicate their SSN or FID Number in the State ID Number space.

Nonprofit Organization - must show its FID Number in the State ID Number space.

#### Section 2

- A) Check a box to indicate if this is a single purchase or blanket exemption.
- B) Describe product being purchased.

#### Section 3

- A) Purchaser must check the reason for exemption.
- B) Purchaser must be able to provide additional information if requested.

#### Section 4

- A) Purchaser must sign and date the form.
- B) Printed name and title of signer must be shown.

**Note:** The Indiana Taxpayer Identification Number (TID) is a ten digit number followed by a three digit LOC Number. The TID is also known as the following:

- a) Registered Retail Merchant Certificate
- b) Tax Exempt Identification Number
- c) Sales Tax Identification Number
- d) Withholding Tax Identification Number

The Registered Retail Merchant Certificate issued by the Indiana Department of Revenue shows the TID (10 digits) and the LOC (3 digits) at the top right of the certificate.

Signature and Title

# Michigan Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption

INSTRUCTIONS: DO NOT send to the Department of Treasury. Certificate must be retained in the seller's records. This certificate is invalid unless all four sections are completed by the purchaser.

A. One-Time Purchase	C. Blanket Certificate				
Order or Invoice Number:	Expiration Date (maximum of four years):				
B. Blanket Certificate. Recurring Business Relationship					
	sonal property and selected services made from the vendor listed below. This				
certifies that this claim is based upon the purchaser's proposed use of the	e items or services, OR the status of the purchaser.				
Vendor's Name and Address					
SECTION 2: ITEMS COVERED BY THIS CERTIFICATE					
Check one of the following:					
1. All items purchased.					
2. Limited to the following items:					
SECTION 3: BASIS FOR EXEMPTION CLAIM Check one of the following:					
For Lease. Enter Use Tax Registration Number:					
2. For Resale at Retail. Enter Sales Tax License Number:					
The following exemptions DO NOT require the purchaser to pr	rovide a number:				
3. Agricultural Production. Enter percentage:%					
4. Church, Government Entity, Nonprofit School, or Nonprofit	Hospital (Circle type of organization).				
5. Contractor (must provide Michigan Sales and Use Tax Cor	ntractor Eligibility Statement (Form 3520)).				
6. For Resale at Wholesale.					
7. Industrial Processing. Enter percentage:%					
8. Nonprofit Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or 501	(c)(4) Exempt Organization.				
9. Nonprofit Organization with an authorized letter issued by	the Michigan Department of Treasury prior to June 1994.				
10. Rolling Stock purchased by an Interstate Motor Carrier.					
11. Qualified Data Center					
12. Direct Pay - Authorized to pay use tax on qualified transaction	12. Direct Pay - Authorized to pay use tax on qualified transactions directly to the State of Michigan under Account Number				
13. Other (explain):					
SECTION 4: CERTIFICATION					
sources of law applicable to my exemption, and that I have exercised rea	is true, that I have consulted the statutes, administrative rules and other asonable care in assuring that my claim of exemption is valid under Michigan be payment of tax, penalty and any accrued interest, including, if necessary,				
Business Name	Type of Business (see codes on page 2)				
Business Address	City, State, ZIP Code				
Business Telephone Number (include area code)	Name (Print or Type)				

Date Signed

## Instructions for completing Michigan Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption (Form 3372)

**Purchasers** may use this form to claim exemption from Michigan sales and use tax on qualified transactions. It is the Purchaser's responsibility to ensure the eligibility of the exemption being claimed. All claims are subject to audit. Non-qualified transactions are subject to tax, statutory penalty and interest.

Sellers are required to maintain records, paper or electronic, of completed exemption certificates for a period of four years. Michigan does not issue "tax exempt numbers" and a seller may not rely on a number for substitution of an exemption certificate. Other documentation that sellers in the State of Michigan may accept are the Uniform Sales and Use Tax Certificate approved by the Multistate Tax Commission, the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement Certificate of Exemption, the same information in another format from the purchaser, or resale or exemption certificates or other written evidence of exemption authorized by another state or country.

#### **SECTION 1:**

Place a check in the box that describes how you will use this certificate.

- A) Choose "One-Time Purchase" and include the invoice number this certificate covers.
- B) Choose "Blanket Certificate" if there is a "recurring business relationship." This exists when a period of not more than 12 months elapses between sales transactions between the seller and purchaser.
- C) Choose "Blanket Certificate" and enter the expiration date (maximum four years) when there is a period of more than 12 months between sales transactions.

Print the vendor's name and address in the area provided.

#### **SECTION 2:**

Place a check in the box for "All items purchased" or choose "Limited to" and list the items that are covered by the exemption claim.

#### **SECTION 3:**

Place a check in the box that applies and provide the additional information requested for that exemption. The exemptions listed are the most common. If the exemption you are claiming is not listed use "Other" and enter the qualifying exemption.

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#### **SECTION 4:**

Use the number that describes your business or explain any other business type not provided.

01	Accommodations	10	Utilities
02	Agricultural	11	Wholesale
03	Construction	12	Advertising, newspaper
04	Manufacturing	13	Non-Profit Hospital
05	Government	14	Non-Profit Educational
06	Rental or leasing	15	Non-Profit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4)
07	Retail	16	Qualified Data Center
80	Church	17	Other
09	Transportation		

Print the name of the business, address, city, state and ZIP code. Sign and provide your title (i.e. owner, president, treasurer, etc.). Provide your printed name and date the certificate.

THE COMPLETED CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED IN YOUR RECORDS IN THE EVENT OF AN AUDIT.

DO NOT SEND THIS EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY.