



Lodging tax

Darmstadt City of Science

What?

As of 01.01.2023, Darmstadt City of Science will collect lodging tax for every accommodation (such as hotels, motels, guesthouses) against payment in the city.

What for?

Darmstadt City of Science provides a wide range of municipal infrastructure, which is constantly maintained and extended. This includes theatres, swimming pools, the World Heritage Mathildenhöhe, the network of public transport and much more. All this is funded through the City's general financial resources which include returns from the lodging tax.





The urban infrastructure however, is not solely used by residents of the city, but also from overnight guests, no matter what the purpose of the stay may be. After all, the lodging tax will contribute to maintaining and promoting transregional opportunities.

How?

The lodging tax amounts to 2 % of net costs for accommodation. Relevant for collecting the tax is the possible accommodation, not the actual use. In case of cancellation without any payment, lodging tax will not apply. Costs arising from food, drinks and further incidental expenses are not taxed. The tax debtor is the accommodation facility. It will collect the tax from the customer and pass it to the city.

For additional information please see:

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