

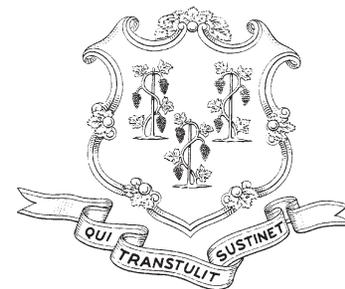
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# Motor Vehicle Property Tax Obligation



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**DMV**

**MEETING NEEDS OF MOTORISTS  
WITH INNOVATION SINCE 1917**

**State of Connecticut  
Department of Motor Vehicles  
60 State Street  
Wethersfield, CT 06161**

[ct.gov/dmv](http://ct.gov/dmv)

Under Connecticut state law, all motor vehicles are subject to a local property tax whether registered or not. The local property tax is computed and issued by your local tax collector.

If you do not register a motor vehicle but retain ownership, you must file a declaration form with your assessor(s) between October 1 and November 1 each year.

### **Tax Jurisdiction**

A tax jurisdiction is considered to be your town of residency.

### **Town Tax Codes**

Registered motor vehicle data is compiled into alphabetic listings by town codes at the Department of Motor Vehicles. These lists are distributed to each of the 169 towns and cities. It is important that you indicate the proper town tax code on your registration form.

### **Motor Vehicle Assessments**

Motor vehicle assessments are based upon 70% of average retail value as determined by your local assessor.

Uniform assessment date is October 1 in Connecticut. Motor vehicles registered on October 1 will be part of the October 1 Grand List. Vehicles registered between October 2 and July 31 will be a supplement to the October 1 Grand List.

Tax due date for the October 1 Grand List is July 1 for most Connecticut towns and cities. Installments vary among municipalities from one installment to four installments. Tax due date for the supplemental list is January 1.

### **Failure to receive a Tax bill does not invalidate the Tax**

If your name has been reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles as being delinquent in property tax for a motor vehicle you will not be able to

register any motor vehicle until payment, including any accrued interest, is made. A tax clearance form (release certificate indicating payment) from the tax collector must be submitted to the DMV with your registration application as verification of payment prior to registration.

### **Supplemental Motor Vehicles**

Supplemental motor vehicles are vehicles which were registered between October 2 and July 31. These vehicles have missed the October 1 assessment date. Motor vehicle taxes are prorated from the month registered through September at the following percentages of assessed value:

October	100.0%	March	58.3%
November	91.7%	April	50.0%
December	83.3%	May	41.7%
January	75.0%	June	33.3%
February	66.7%	July	25.9%

### **Motor Vehicle Tax Credits**

Motor vehicle tax credits are issued by your town tax assessor for those vehicles which are:

- Sold
- Totally damaged
- Stolen and not recovered
- Removed from Connecticut and registered in another state.

The tax credit must be applied for within a limited period of time. Apply with the assessor's office as soon as possible. It is up to the tax assessor to determine what proof will be acceptable for adjusting a tax bill.

### **Assessment Appeals**

Assessment appeals should be directed to your assessor first and then to the local Board of Assessment Appeals. The Board of Assessment Appeals meets at least three times during the month of February and at least once during the month of September. The September meeting is solely for appeals relating to motor vehicle assessments appearing on the preceding October 1 Grand List.

Appearance before the Board of Assessment Appeals is required in order for the Board to consider the appeal. If you are unable to appear in person, you may give written authorization for someone to appear on your behalf as your agent. All documentation substantiating your appeal should be presented during the meeting.

You may make application to Superior Court if you are dissatisfied with the Board's decision, within two months of the Board's action.

### **Motor Vehicles exempt from Property Tax**

Certain residents, such as honorably discharged veterans or their surviving spouses may be eligible for exemptions and/or assistance with their property tax payments. For further information about these exemptions, please contact the town or city clerk in your municipality.

Municipal taxes on motor vehicles owned by servicemen: Under federal law, (Section 514 of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, as amended, 50 USC App 501, et seq.) servicemen are exempt from paying property taxes in states other than the state of their domicile while they are serving in the military.

Under Connecticut state law (Section 12-81 (53)) one passenger motor vehicle belonging to, or held in-trust for, any member of the United States armed forces is exempt from taxation.

A resident on active duty having any questions regarding motor vehicle property taxes or application form(s) should contact their local assessor.

### **For additional information contact:**

**Department of Motor Vehicles  
(800) 842-8222 (Outside Hartford)  
263-5700 (Within Hartford area)**

**OR**

**Your Local Tax Assessor**