Motor Vehicle Information

Assessments are determined annually at 70% of average retail value using the N.A.D.A. Vehicle Pricing Guides in accordance with Connecticut State Statue 12-71d.

Motor Vehicles registered to Milford as of October 1 of each year are taxed the following July. Vehicles registered between October 2nd and July 31st, are taxed on the 'Supplemental List' in January.

If your vehicle was sold, stolen, registered out of state after you moved, totaled in an accident, or otherwise disposed of, the City of Milford will need information about that vehicle from you in order to consider a pro-ration of your taxes. The CT DMV, out of state DMV's, insurance companies, dealerships, and other third parties DO NOT provide that information to municipalities. We rely on the taxpayer to provide that information to us. If you feel you are entitled to an adjustment of your taxes then you need to submit the proper documentation to the Assessor. Once we've received that information we will review the proof provided and determine if the tax bill is entitled to an adjustment and we will process accordingly.

The CT DMV has a self-service online website that you can use to cancel your CT license plates and print a receipt. The website is www.ct.gov/dmv

Adjustments

If you **Cancelled** your Connecticut plates and your vehicle was sold, traded, donated, junked, totaled, or otherwise disposed of, or if you have registered the vehicle out of state, you may be entitled to a prorated credit or refund of all or part of your tax bill, provided you supply the Assessor with the appropriate documentation. Two forms of proof are required in order to prorate the tax bill. Please click on the link below for a list of documents required.

If you **Transferred** your Connecticut plates to a replacement vehicle the credit will be automatically applied to the *Supplemental Tax Bill* for the new replacement vehicle the following January, provided you paid the July bill <u>in full</u> on the old car.

IMPORTANT Please note there is a statutory deadline for you to provide the documentation needed to adjust a tax bill. All proof for adjustments (prorates) of motor vehicle accounts must be received within 27 months of the assessment date. The CT DMV does not inform towns when plates are returned or cancelled. It is the taxpayer's responsibility to provide the required documentation within the limits as provided under applicable CT law.

We strongly recommend that you turn in all the necessary paperwork as soon as you dispose of your vehicle. All information provided should be 1) **dated** and 2) have the **year**, **make**, **model** and **vehicle identification number** (VIN) on it. If this information is faxed or mailed please confirm we received it by calling the Assessor's Office at 203-783-3215.