



**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION TO TAXPAYERS:** The US Postal Service is modifying how mail is now being processed, including the postmark process. As of December 24, 2025, postmarks will reflect the date an envelope is first processed by an automated USPS sorting machine, potentially days after it was dropped off and not the actual drop-off date. This could lead to late fees and penalties for anyone mailing time-sensitive documents such as utility and tax payments.

Real Property Tax Law requires that we use the U.S. postmark date to determine if a payment was mailed timely. Be advised, time-sensitive mail should be mailed at least several days before the deadline. For those who wait to mail payments close to or on the due date, we strongly urge you to go inside your local post office and ask for a hand-stamped "manual postmark" on the date. If you have any questions, please call (518) 761-8237.