## WHAT IF MY VEHICLE WAS...

SOLD?

TOTALED?

**REGISTERED OUT OF STATE?** 

STOLEN?

TAXED IN WRONG TOWN?

REPOSSESSED?

**DONATED?** 



ASSESSMENT OFFICE Town Of Simsbury 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury CT 06070

Office Hours 8:30 – 7:00 Mondays 8:30 – 4:30 Tuesday – Thursday Fridays 8:30 – 1:00

**Connecticut License Plates need to be returned to:** 

The Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles not the town.

CT Department of Motor Vehicles does not inform towns when plates are returned nor when vehicles are sold, registered out of state or otherwise disposed of. It is the taxpayer's responsibility to provide the required documentation within the time limits as provided under applicable CT law.

## DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION

#### OF PROOF FOR ADJUSTMENT

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Assessment Date	Deadline for Presentation of Proof
October 1, 2017	December 31, 2019
October 1, 2018	December 31, 2020
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Example: the owner of a vehicle with a bill with an assessment date of October 1, 2017 has until December 31, 2019 to present all proofs of disposal.

Taxpayer failure to provide all forms of proof for adjustment by deadline forfeits the right to an adjustment of the bill by CT law (12-71c.)

## APPEAL PROCESS

Questions about the motor vehicle appeal process should be directed to the Assessment Office at 658-3251or you can visit www.simsbury-ct.gov/assessor.htm by August 31, 2019.

## CLAIMED EXEMPT DUE TO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Out of state resident based in CT must file the service members Civil Relief Act form *annually* with the Assessment Office.

Residents of CT based out of state must file Active Duty form *annually* with the Assessment Office Forms are available in Assessment Office.

#### REPOSSESSED:

- A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt. REQUIRED
   AND Any one of the next
- Letter from the finance company stating the date vehicle was taken and that it was not redeemed by you and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.
- 3. Copy of bill of sale or auction papers that shows the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle and date of sale.

#### DONATED

1. A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt. **REQUIRED** 

#### AND

Letter from charitable organization on the organization's letter head, stating that the vehicle was donated, the date of the donation and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.

### **OUT OF STATE RESIDENT PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 2018?**

Send proof of out-of-state residency. Contact the Assessment Office for acceptable forms of proof.

### **Note about Leased Motor Vehicles:**

The conditions for pro-rating the assessment of a leased vehicle are the same as they would have been for a vehicle that you owned. Returning a vehicle at the end of the lease does not mean that the vehicle has been sold, and doesn't qualify for any adjustment with the town.

The assessment is eligible to be pro-rated only when the vehicle is sold, so the leasing company must provide proof of the sale just as you would for a vehicle that you had owned.

## WHAT IF I:

#### TRANSFERRED PLATES:

If you transferred your plates to a new vehicle, you are not entitled to an adjustment. In essence, the adjustment follows the license plate. **The original bill for the old vehicle should be paid.** A supplemental list will generate a bill for the new vehicle with a credit (exemption) for the period that the old vehicle was no longer owned.

Supplemental bills are mailed the last week of December.

## **REGISTERED MY CAR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2018?**

Vehicles registered after October 1, 2018 will be on the supplemental motor vehicle list, as described below. Supplemental bills are mailed the last week of December and are due January 1, 2020 with the last day to pay without penalty by February 3, 2020.

## SUPPLEMENTAL MOTOR VEHICLE TAX BILLS

Supplemental motor vehicle bills cover motor vehicles registered **after October 1, 2018 and before August 1 2019.** Motor vehicle taxes are prorated from the month registered through September at the following percentages of assessed value:

Month	New	Transfer	% of
Acquired	License	License	Assessment
	Plate Code	Plate Code	
October	A	N	100%
November	В	0	91.7%
December	С	P	83.3%
January	D	Q	75.0%
February	Е	R	66.7%
March	F	S	58.3%
April	G	T	50.0%
May	Н	U	41.7%
June	I	V	33.3%
July	J	W	25.0%

#### ADJUSTMENTS TO MOTOR VEHICLE BILLS

From the category which best describes your situation entitled "What If My Vehicle Was?" Forward the appropriate forms of proof to:

Assessment Office Town Of Simsbury 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury CT 06070

Phone: (860) 658-3251 Fax: (860) 658-3285

Please note: a CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of license plate does not show that you have disposed of the vehicle. Therefore additional forms of proof are required to support an adjustment.

Copies of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt may be requested from CT Department of Motor Vehicles {Copy Records Division} at (860) 263-5154., or <a href="https://www.dmvct.org">www.dmvct.org</a>.

## What If My Vehicle Was?

#### SOLD:

1. A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt **REQUIRED** 

### AND Any one of the next

- A copy of the bill of sale with the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle as well as buyer's signature.
- 3. A copy of the new owner's registration or the new owner's title with the issue date, year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.
- 4. A copy of your title showing transfer.
- 5. A letter from your insurance agent or company stating the date the insurance was cancelled, the reason for cancellation and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.
- 6. From CT DMV registration form, bill of sale section at bottom of form.
- 7. Reverse side of registration renewal form transfer of ownership form.

#### TOTALED / JUNKED:

A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt **REQUIRED** 

#### AND any one of the next

- 1. A letter from your insurance agent or company stating that the vehicle was totaled, the date of the accident and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.
- Dated receipt from junk dealer to whom the vehicle was sold and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.

# **REGISTERED OUT OF STATE:**

A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt Required

### **AND** any *one* of the next

- 1. A copy of the original out of state registration OR title showing the issue date, year, and make, model & Vehicle Identification #of the vehicle. **REQUIRED**
- 2. Proof of out-of-state residency contact Assessment Office for acceptable forms of proof. **REQUIRED**

### STOLEN:

1. A copy of CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of plate receipt. **REQUIRED** 

A statement from your insurance agent or company stating that vehicle was stolen and not recovered, date of theft and the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification # of the vehicle.

### TAXED IN WRONG TOWN:

If you lived in a different Connecticut town on October 1, 2018 please provide:

1. Proof of residency prior to October 1 in form of:

- 1. Proof of residency prior to October 1 in form of : Field Card, Voter identification card or lease **OR**
- 2. Written correction from the Department of Motor Vehicles.