

MOTOR VEHICLE ADJUSTMENTS

Plates transferred to replacement vehicle

If the vehicle was replaced and the plates were transferred to the replacement vehicle, the credit is applied to the replacement vehicle. THE BILL FOR THE ORIGINAL VEHICLE IS TO BE PAID IN FULL. You do not need to provide any documentation to the Assessor.

Plates cancelled, lost or stolen

The Department of Motor Vehicles does not inform the City when plates are returned or when vehicles are disposed of. It is the taxpayer's responsibility to provide the required documentation within the statutory time limit of 27 months of the date of assessment.

The Documentation below must be submitted to the Assessor's Office to be entitled to a credit for a motor vehicle

#1. A Plate receipt from CONNECTICUT DMV indicating that the registration has been cancelled, lost or stolen, *PLUS:*

ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IN ADDITION TO #1

#2. A. A COPY OF THE BILL OF SALE

The bill of sale is now on the bottom of the vehicle owner's registration form. Transfer information must be recorded on the registration form before being submitted to DMV. Therefore the seller's obligation is to provide a **copy** of the dated & signed bill of sale (with the new owner's name & address) along with the plate receipt, to the Assessor.)

B. COPY OF THE TRANSFER OF TITLE

Copies of both sides of title with name & address of new owner & date of sale.
OR A copy of the **new owner's registration**.

C. REPOSSESSION

If a car is repossessed, proof of the repossession.

D. OUT OF STATE REGISTRATION

Copies of the registration showing the date the vehicle was registered outside the State of Connecticut.

E. STOLEN VEHICLE

A statement from the insurance company indicating that the vehicle was stolen & not recovered.

F. TOTALED VEHICLE

A statement from the insurance company indicating that the vehicle was totaled.

G. JUNKED VEHICLE

A receipt from a junkyard or garage.

H. TRADE-IN VEHICLE

A copy of the purchase agreement identifying the trade-in vehicle.

(IF THE SAME REGISTRATION IS USED, A CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL BILL IN JANUARY, BUT JULY/JAN BILL ON THE PREVIOUS VEHICLE MUST BE PAID)

I. DONATED VEHICLE

A copy of the letter or statement from the organization that you donated the vehicle to.

ALL DOCUMENTATION MUST HAVE THE DATE OF THE TRANSACTION ALONG WITH THE VEHICLE I.D. # & DESCRIPTION

Any questions concerning required proof above please contact the Assessor's Office at the following emails:

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MOTOR VEHICLE ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

Motor vehicles are valued using the pricing guides from the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA), as recommended by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management.

Connecticut registered motor vehicles are assessed in the town in which the owner of the vehicle resides as of the assessment date.

A motor vehicle tax bill covers the period from October 1st to September 30th. If you sold your vehicle you may be entitled to a tax credit. See Motor Vehicle adjustments

The proof for adjustment must be presented within 27 months of the assessment date per cgs12-71c(b).

Motor vehicles that are not registered with the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles that are primarily located in Connecticut are required to be declared as personal property annually by November 1st.

To cancel your registration visit the Connecticut Department of Motor vehicles on line or at an office located near you.