

## ASSESSOR'S NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

**DECLARING PERSONAL PROPERTY:** All persons liable to pay taxes are hereby notified to declare all tangible personal property owned by them on October 1, 2021, Non-residents are required to declare property located in any town for three or more months between October 2, 2020 and October 1, 2021. Failure to hand deliver the declaration to or have a postmark no later than November 1st 2021, as required by law, will result in a 25% PENALTY assessment.

Local assessors will mail declaration forms to all property owners previously on record. Failure to receive a form does not negate the requirement to declare. Forms are also available in municipal assessors' offices.

**NOTE:** Real property and Connecticut registered motor vehicles do not need to be declared. Taxable personal property includes: Unregistered motor vehicles (including trailers and campers), motor vehicles located in Connecticut but registered in another state, mobile manufactured homes not assessed as real estate, manufacturing machinery and equipment, business furniture and fixtures, farm machinery, farming tools, mechanics tools, electronic data processing equipment, telecommunication equipment, cables, conduits, pipes, poles, business expensed supplies and other items such as billboards, video games, vending machines and leasehold improvements.

**VETERANS:** Veterans who served for more than ninety days during a time of war or for fewer than 90 days due to disability must have recorded their honorable discharge with the Town Clerk no later than Friday, October 1, 2021 in order to receive a minimum \$1,000 assessment exemption. Disabled Veterans need to file proof of their VA rating with the Assessor to receive an increased exemption. Active Duty Members may be eligible for a veteran's exemption with proof of prior service.

**ADDITIONAL VETERANS EXEMPTION:** Increased exemptions are available for Veterans who meet low income requirements. An application along with proof of income must be filed with the Assessor biennially. The application must be filed by October 1, 2021.

**ARMED SERVICE MEMBERS:** May obtain an exemption on one (1) passenger motor vehicle if proof of service is submitted with an application. See the local assessor for more information.

**TOTALLY DISABLED:** Any person under the age of 65 who has been awarded total disability must apply by January 31, 2022 to receive a \$1,000 assessment exemption. Applications must include proof of permanent disability.

**FARMER MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT:** Eligible farmers must file the notarized exemption application with their personal property declarations on or before November 1, 2021.

**MANUFACTURING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (MME):** Installed in a manufacturing facility and used in the manufacturing process may be exempted. Eligible manufacturers must complete and file the MME Exemption Application by November 1, 2021.

**NEW COMMERCIAL TRUCKS:** With a gross vehicle rating in excess of 26,000 lbs. should check with the Assessor's office for exemption eligibility. The completed application must be filed by November 1, 2021.

**LAND CLASSIFICATION:** Persons seeking to classify land under Farm, Forest or Open Space for the first time must file an application with the Assessor between September 1, 2021 and October 31, 2021. Persons seeking to classify as Forest must also file a complete certified forester's report dated on or before October 1, 2021. Only changes to the original filing (e.g., ownership, use or acreage) must be reported annually.

Assessor's Offices of Ashford, Chaplin, Hampton, Mansfield, Scotland and Windham.  
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