

Taxpayer's Guide*

Information regarding the collection of property taxes in Cayuga County

PLEASE NOTE: If a taxpayer does **not** receive their tax bill in a timely manner, it is their responsibility to call the appropriate tax collector for a duplicate tax bill. Duplicate tax bills may also be obtained by visiting <http://gis.cayugacounty.us>.

Duplicate tax bills for some School Districts are not available on <http://gis.cayugacounty.us>. Some of these districts have indicated alternative directions to obtain a duplicate tax bill. Please check the School Tax Collectors list for these directions.

TOWN AND COUNTY TAXES: [Town Tax Collectors](#)

The fiscal year for property taxes is January 1 to December 31. County, Town and Special District taxes are included in one tax bill, along with a re-levy of any outstanding school or village taxes from the prior year.

In the twenty-three towns in Cayuga County, taxes are due the first business day in January and are payable to the Town Collector of Taxes from January 1st to March 31st. Check with individual tax collector for location and hours.

Full tax payments or First Installment payments may be paid without penalty thru February 10th. First Installment payments cannot be accepted after February 10th. Payments received after February 10th are subject to a 1% penalty. Payments made in March are subject to a penalty of 2% and a post card fee may be assessed. Post card fees vary by Town, ranging from \$0 to \$2.

On April 1st Full and Second Installment taxes are payable to:

Cayuga County Treasurer
County Office Building
160 Genesee Street, 5th Floor
Auburn, NY 13021
Phone: (315) 253-1211

If a First Installment payment was made by February 10th, the Second Installment is due July 31st. The Second Installment payment is considered delinquent August 1st.

When delinquent Town & County Tax Bills are received by the Cayuga County Treasurer's Office a 5% State penalty, which is set by the NYS Tax Commission, is assessed and 1% interest is added for each month taxes are delinquent. Applicable post card fees and Installment service charges are also applied. In November of each year, if the taxes remain unpaid they are filed with the Cayuga County Clerk and a lien filing fee of \$25.00 is added to the Tax.

In November/December of the second year of delinquency for commercial properties and the third year of delinquency for residential and farm properties the taxes are advertised in local papers for three non-consecutive weeks. The month of February is the tentative date for redeeming unpaid property taxes before the County forecloses on the property. A public auction is held in late June or early July to sell all properties with unpaid taxes.

Installment Agreements are available for qualified taxpayers. Please contact our office for further details.

CITY OF AUBURN COUNTY TAXES: [Auburn City Tax Collector](#)

City of Auburn County taxes are due February 1st and are payable to the Cayuga County Treasurer. Payments are collected at the Cayuga County Treasurer's Office until the final due date of the Second Installment at the end of April.

Full tax payments or First Installment payments may be paid without penalty until the last day in February. First Installment payments and Full payments will be accepted until April 30th, but a penalty on the First Installment portion of the payment will be applied after February. Payments made in March are subject to a 1% penalty on the First Installment amount. Payments made in April are subject to a 2% penalty on the First Installment amount.

Delinquent taxes are turned over to the Auburn City Treasurer for collection on May 1st. Please call (315) 255-4143 for amounts. Their hours of operation are 8am to 4pm Monday thru Friday.

VILLAGE TAXES: [Village Tax Collectors](#)

The fiscal year for most village taxes is June 1st through May 31st, with this exception:
The Village of Weedsport's fiscal year is March 1st to the last day of February.

Village taxes are payable to the Village Tax Collector without penalty the first month of collection. Penalties are accrued after the first month. See bill for penalty schedule, amounts and dates due or call the Village Tax Collector.

On or about November 1st, the unpaid taxes are returned to the Cayuga County Treasurer's Office for relevy onto the January Town & County taxes with additional fees.

SCHOOL TAXES: [School Tax Collectors](#)

The fiscal year for school taxes in Cayuga County runs from July 1st to June 30th.

School taxes are due on or about September 1st. School taxes may be paid without penalty for approximately the first thirty days of the collection period. Penalties are accrued after the first month. See Tax Bill for dates and amount due or call the School Tax Collector.

After November 15th, the School Tax Collector returns all unpaid School taxes to Cayuga County for relevy onto the January Town & County taxes with additional fees. The exception to this is Auburn Enlarged City School (AECS) taxes and Oswego City School (OCS) taxes.

AUBURN ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DELINQUENT TAXES:

AECS delinquent taxes for the Towns of Aurelius, Fleming, Owasco and Sennett are turned over to the Cayuga County Treasurer for collection on December 6th. Unpaid taxes are subject to interest of 1% per month plus a State penalty of 5%, which is set by the NYS Tax Commission.

In November of each year, if the taxes remain unpaid they are filed with the Cayuga County Clerk and a lien filing fee of \$25.00 is added to the Tax. Continued non-payment of the tax may lead to foreclosure.

OSWEGO CITY SCHOOL DELINQUENT TAXES:

OCS delinquent taxes for properties located in the Town of Sterling are turned over to the Cayuga County Treasurer for collection on March 1st. Unpaid taxes are subject to interest of 1% per month plus a State penalty of 5%, which is set by the NYS Tax Commission.

In November of each year, if the taxes remain unpaid they are filed with the Cayuga County Clerk and a lien filing fee of \$25.00 is added to the Tax. Continued non-payment of the tax may lead to foreclosure.

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