



THE TOWN OF **PLAINFIELD**

MOTOR VEHICLES Motor vehicles are valued by NADA average retail per state statute.

REDUCING A TAX BILL FOR A VEHICLE YOU NO LONGER OWN:

Motor vehicles are assessed at 70 percent of their average retail value on each October 1st assessment date. Vehicles which have active registrations October 1st appear on the following January 31st list and bills are issued and due the following July.

Vehicles which are registered after October 1, but prior to the following August 1st appear on the supplemental grand list and are taxed from the month they are registered through the following September 30th. The bills for these supplemental motor vehicles are issued and are due in January the following the end of the assessment year.

Adjustments

If a vehicle has been disposed of during the described period, an owner may apply for an adjustment to their tax bill. The required documentation (see below) must specifically identify the vehicle in question by make, year and identification number, and the date of the transaction. Two (2) forms of proof are generally required.

1. A plate receipt for the Department of Motor Vehicles indicating the cancellation of the registration. **AND**
2. **IN ADDITION TO THE PLATE RECEIPT**, the following will be required.

For sold or Junked Vehicles

- A copy of the bill of sale
- A copy of the canceled title showing the new owner
- A receipt from the junk dealer
- A copy of the original registration of the person to whom the vehicle was sold
- A letter from your insurance company indicating the date and reason for cancellation of the insurance (other proof required)

For Stolen or Totaled Vehicles

- A statement from your insurance company which indicates that you were compensated for a total loss of the vehicle and in the case of a vehicle totaled that the insurance company took the totaled vehicle for its salvage value.
- A Police Report which indicates that the vehicle was stolen and not recovered.
- For a vehicle that is not insured for collision, two of the following forms of proof are required:
 - A copy of the accident report.
 - A letter from the junk dealer to whom this vehicle was sold or transferred.

For Vehicles Registered Out of State

- Proof of residency **AND** a copy of the original registration showing the date the vehicle was registered outside the State of Connecticut. The later date, residency proof or registration will be the prevailing date.

Other

- Donated Vehicles – a copy of the letter from the charity indicating the vehicle and the date which was donated.
- Reposed Vehicles – a copy of the letter from the creditor attesting to the repossession.

Please note: In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 12-71c, the deadline for filing for property tax adjustment are as follows: Proof must be provided to the assessor's office no later than 18 months from the time the bill was due. After the required date the tax bills will be due in full and no adjustment can be made.

Example: The Oct. 1, 2012 grand list bill is due July 1, 2013. That bill can only be credited if the proof is provided before December 31, 2014