

2016 Real Estate Tax Information

City of South Milwaukee
2424 15th Avenue
P.O. Box 367
South Milwaukee, WI 53172
Website: www.smwi.org



Installment Due Dates:

1st Installment –January 31, 2017
2nd Installment –April 30, 2017
3rd Installment–July 31, 2017
***No reminder notices** are mailed.
Please mark your calendar!

Payment Information

City Hall Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Exceptions:
Dec 23 & 26 - CLOSED
Jan 2-CLOSED

Payment Locations:

**SOUTH MILWAUKEE
TREASURER'S OFFICE**
2424 15th Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI
53172

**TRI-CITY NATIONAL
BANK**
(FULL PAYMENTS
ONLY)
2115 10th Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI
53172
*Do not use Drive-up

**TRI-CITY NATIONAL
BANK**
(Inside Pick N Save)
(FULL PAYMENTS
ONLY)
2901 S. Chicago Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI
53172

BMO-HARRIS BANK
FULL PAYMENTS FOR
THE EXACT AMOUNT
ONLY –
NO REFUNDS-per Bank
1001 Marquette Ave.
South Milwaukee, WI
53172
*Do not use Drive-up

Pay early! Interest and penalty is charged on all delinquent taxes in accordance with state law. In addition, the installment option is forfeited. (Information located on the back of your tax bill)

Payment by Mail or in 24-Hour Depository Box:

Enclose BOTH copies of the bill & a self-addressed, stamped envelope to receive a receipt.

Mail payment to:
City of South Milwaukee
P.O. Box 367
South Milwaukee, WI 53172

Depository Box is located on the wall next to the main doors of City Hall. For 2016 credit for income tax purposes, payment must be deposited in box on or before 12/31/16.

ONLINE RECEIPTS: Print a copy of your paid tax bill at www.smwi.org

Payment at Tri-City or BMO banks in South Milwaukee on/before January 31 2017:

Tax bill must be PAID IN FULL (no installments or partial payments.) Bring both copies of the bill. A refund check will be issued by Tri-City at the time of payment for escrow overages. **Per BMO's policy, no refunds given – Payment must be for exact amount only if paying at BMO Bank.**

Pay by credit or debit card ONLINE or BY TELEPHONE only (NOT accepted at City Hall):

Pay tax bill using MasterCard, Visa or Discover credit card or MasterCard or Visa debit card or by e-Check through Official Payments Corporation (OPC). A convenience fee is charged by OPC for using this service. Call 1-800-272-9829 (1-800-2PAYTAX) or visit www.officialpayments.com and enter jurisdiction code **5842**.

Payment at City Hall:

Bring both copies of the tax bill and have checks written out. **Do not combine** tax payment with payment for water bill, pet license or any other payment. Escrow overpayments are refunded by check in approximately 2 to 3 weeks.

Acceptable forms of payment

Personal Check/Bank or Cashier's Check/Money Order/Cash:

Write your parcel number on your check and please include your phone number in case of questions.

NAME ADDRESS CITY, STATE ZIP PHONE	0123 01-23456789
DATE Today's Date	
PAY TO THE ORDER OF: City of South Milwaukee	\$ []
BANK NAME ADDRESS CITY, STATE ZIP	DOLLARS
FOR Parcel Number	Signature
⑈0123456789⑈ 01234567890123⑈ 0123	

DO NOT POSTDATE CHECKS.

Checks are processed on the date we receive them.

All Real Estate tax payment checks must be payable to:
City of South Milwaukee

Verify that the numeric and written amounts agree and the check is signed. If incorrect, payment could be short and cause taxes to become delinquent.

Escrow Check (check received from mortgage company)

A refund check will be mailed within approximately 2 to 3 weeks for escrow checks that exceed the taxes due.

If an "AND" separates the names of payees on a check, then all payees must sign the back of the check before it can be presented as payment. Checks not properly signed will be returned unprocessed.

The full amount of the escrow check must be applied to the tax bill.

Please verify that your escrow check is correctly made out to the **City of South Milwaukee**.

REVIEW YOUR TAX BILL

Lottery and Gaming Credit **** (Located in the middle of your tax bill) **** For 2016, the lottery credit amount is \$141.94

If you did not receive a Lottery & Gaming Credit on your tax bill and you are eligible (see requirements below), you have until January 31, 2017 to file an application with the City Treasurer's office. If your tax bill includes a lottery credit and you do not qualify for the credit, complete the Lottery & Gaming Credit Removal Request form and pay the additional amount due.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) You must have been the owner of this property on January 1, 2016 and you must have used this property as your primary residence. Your primary residence is where you live most of the time. You can only have one primary residence.
- 2) If the home was purchased after January 1, 2016, the new owner must attest to the best of his/her knowledge that the former owner used the home as their primary residence as of January 1.
- 3) After January 31, a late credit may be claimed with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue prior to October 1.

Storm Water Utility Fee

The current annual charge is \$72.00 for a single-family home or duplex. This is based on the average impervious area of a single-family home. For multi-family or commercial properties, the fee is based on the measured impervious area.

Additional questions should be directed to:

South Milwaukee Engineering Department (414) 768-8053 Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Recycling Fee/Commercial Garbage Collection

Currently, the annual Recycling/HHW fee for a single-family home is \$61.46. This fee will differ if the property contains additional living units. Questions regarding Recycling or Commercial Garbage fees should be directed to:

South Milwaukee Street Department (414) 768-8075 Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Delinquent Water/Sewer Bill

Delinquent water/sewer bills not paid by November 15th are added to your tax bill. For more detailed information contact:

South Milwaukee Water Utility (414) 768-8070 Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Fire Inspection Fee

Questions should be directed to:

South Milwaukee Fire Department (414) 768-5724 Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Assessed Value of Your Property

Questions should be directed to:

South Milwaukee Assessor's Office (414) 768-8052 Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Ownership changes Contact Milwaukee County Register of Deeds Office (414) 278-4021 or

South Milwaukee Assessor's Office (414) 768-8052

Prior Year's Delinquent Real Estate Taxes Contact Milwaukee County Treasurer's Office at: (414) 278-4033 or go to

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/CountyTreasurer>

Returned Tax Payment Checks There is a \$25.00 fee for all returned checks. In addition, the tax payment will be void and interest and penalty will be assessed unless a replacement payment plus the returned check fee is received **prior to the tax due date.**

For more information, please visit our website www.smwi.org

Where do your tax dollars go?

