

Tax Administration in North Carolina Course

Billing – Real and Personal Property

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- **Review your tax bill**—for design and layout.
 - Review due date
 - Due Date September 1
 - Pay by January 5 (to avoid interest)
 - Rate of interest accrual
 - Fields for showing: deferred values, exemptions and values
 - Address issue of appeal rights of personal property

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- **Update tax rates**—after budget has passed, typically by June 30, possibly July sometimes.
- Process all listings and changes
- Real property changes for the year—new construction, splits and transfer
- Present-use value—new applications and changes to parcels
- Exemption Applications- SCE, disability, etc

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- Is system properly calculating entries.
 - Exemptions
 - Solid waste fees
 - Discounts
 - Late listing penalties
- Run edit reports— check % Over/Under report, exemption calculations, verify each taxing jurisdiction is calculating correctly, exempt property for zero bills, check fees, calculation of late penalty, etc
 - Edit Reports should be run several times during billing process

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- Run pre-billing scroll
- Have collector post any prepayments, and verify that it has posted correctly
- Verification of the print file
- Review Print file by spot checking calculations

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- Print samples for staff to review—Ex. PUV, E/D, deferred and historic properties. Even exempt properties to be sure that no bill is generated.
 - Good Practice is to review samples for each district, type of exemption, PUV, fees, etc
- Send print file to vendor to be printed, if out sourced—otherwise you may be ready to print.

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- If outsourced, have vendor send you a proof
- Once approved, print, mail and print final billing scroll.
- Billing process is normally completed in August.
- If discount is provided, which is only available for months of July and August—bills need to be mailed out soon enough so citizens can utilize option.