



2021 Real Estate Tax Assessment Information



ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REQUIRED

By law, Fairfax County must assess all real estate at 100% of its fair market value as of January 1.

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2021

Residential Properties

Home sales in 2020 were the primary basis for determining your 2021 assessment. Due to historically low mortgage rates and housing supply, last year's sale prices were generally higher, resulting in a higher median home assessment for 2021.

Commercial Properties

Higher vacancy and loss of rental income were the primary reasons for lower assessments overall in 2021. Certain property types were more significantly affected than others.

KEY DATES FOR REAL ESTATE TAXES

- **April 1** – Deadline to administratively appeal your assessment ***NEW FOR 2021***
- **May 3** – Deadline to apply for tax relief
- **May 4** – Board of Supervisors sets official real estate tax rates
- **June 1** – Deadline to appeal your assessment to the Board of Equalization
- **June 30** – Bills mailed for first installment of real estate taxes due
- **July 28** – Real estate taxes due: 1st installment
- **Nov. 5** – Bills mailed for second installment of real estate taxes due
- **Dec. 5** – Real estate taxes due: 2nd installment

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To request this information in an alternate format, contact the Dept. of Tax Administration at 703-222-8234, TTY 711.

APPEALING YOUR ASSESSMENT



If you disagree with your property assessment because:

- It was assessed in excess of fair market value
- It was not assessed uniformly when compared to similar properties
- It contains errors about your property record

first, look up your property's details and comparable sales that were considered to determine your assessment at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/taxes/real-estate.

Then, we recommend you talk to a county appraiser about your questions or concerns.

You may administratively appeal your assessment up to April 1, or you may appeal to the Board of Equalization up to June 1. It is recommended to file an administrative appeal first before appealing to the Board of Equalization.

Learn more and find appeal forms at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/taxes/real-estate, or call 703-222-8234, TTY 711.



GET HELP ON YOUR SCHEDULE

Make an appointment for help by phone or video. To schedule, scan this QR code or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/taxes/appointments.



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**Days and hours for in-person assistance vary.
Check www.fairfaxcounty.gov/taxes.**

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