



**The Town Hall is open to the public with safety procedures in place. Please be patient and respectful while we keep residents and staff safe. I encourage you to do your Town Hall business by mail or virtually if possible. Many services can be done online, by phone, fax, or email.**

[Town Website](#)

### **COVID-19 UPDATE:**

There have been [45](#) (28 female, 17 male) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Essex and 7 fatalities since the beginning of the pandemic. [Click Here for details](#)

[How to get tested for COVID-19 FAQs](#)

Current public health testing recommendations to diagnose a person who is sick or may be infected with COVID-19. [Click Here](#)

Get the latest guidance: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Knowledge-Base/Latest-Guidance>

### **Health Department**

[Private Well Water Conservation Guidelines- COVID-19](#)

### **From the Tax Collector's Office**

**Our office will be closed on Tuesday, June 30th, to close the fiscal year and to prepare for July collections.**

The first installment of taxes is due the month of July 2020. You have 30 days to pay and they are delinquent after August 3rd, 2020. Bills will be mailed out the end of June. If your mortgage is escrowed, your physical tax bill will be mailed to the bank. As you can imagine, our office gets very busy at times. So don't wait in line, **pay your taxes online at [essexct.gov](http://essexct.gov)**. Go into Online Services and then Pay Taxes. There is a charge paying by Credit Card, but just a \$2.00 flat fee for e-checks.

**Interest is normally charged at the rate of 1.5% per month, 18% per year from the due date of the tax, with a portion of a month being considered a full month. However, the Low Interest Rate Program will allow for a lower rate of interest: .25% per month, or 3% per year, from the due date of the tax, for a period of up to 90 days only.**

**This year we are enclosing a postage paid envelope for mailing in your payment.** If you want us to send you a receipt, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with your payment and the taxpayer portion of your bill. You can make multiple payments with one check if you wish, except for any delinquent motor vehicle taxes.

When making your request for a Motor Vehicle adjustment, please send or fax verification of the change to the Assessor's Office (860) 767-4340 ext. 123 or 124 or fax: (860) 767-8509. To send an attachment by e-mail: [jsypher@essexct.gov](mailto:jsypher@essexct.gov) or [bdamico@essexct.gov](mailto:bdamico@essexct.gov)

Here is the link of accepted verifications:

<https://www.essexct.gov/assessor/pages/motor-vehicle-tax-bill-changes>

## LATEST COVID-19 FACTS

- [COVID-19 Testing Sites Locator](#)
- [COVID-19 Self Checker](#)
- [Center for Disease Control](#)
- [State of CT Coronavirus Information](#)
- [Governor Lamont Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Emergency Orders Issued by Governor Lamont](#)

**STAY HOME. STOP THE SPREAD. SAVE LIVES.**

### Sign up for Safer Essex Emergency Alerts

Receive alerts about critical community information directly to your cell phone or email. Go to [www.essexct.gov](http://www.essexct.gov) and search "Safer Essex" or call 860-760-4340 x112.

### Sign up for Essex News

Encourage your friends and neighbors to receive this newsletter. Simply send an email request to [essexnews@essexct.gov](mailto:essexnews@essexct.gov) to be added to our distribution list.

### Sign up for Weekly Check-In Call

Residents age 62+ are encouraged to sign up for a weekly check-in call from a volunteer. Please call Essex Social Services Department at 860-767-4340 x 201.

**Town of Essex**