

City of Wisconsin Rapids Taxpayers



DECEMBER 2020

Enclosed is your Real Estate Tax Bill for 2020.

Please take a few minutes to review this sheet and your bill for important information about your taxes.
Call us at 715-721-5254 option #1 if you have any questions or concerns.

General Information About Your Property Tax



When are my taxes due?

Your entire real estate tax bill, or your first installment, is **due by January 31, 2021**. If you choose to pay in installments, your first installment is due by January 31, 2021, your second installment is due by April 30, 2021, and third installment is due July 31, 2021. Make note that the amount of your installments may vary. If you fail to pay the correct amount, at the correct time, to the correct place it will cause you to incur additional charges.

Where do I pay?

All payments must be paid to:

**City of Wisconsin Rapids
Finance Department
444 W Grand Ave.
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495**

Prior years' delinquent taxes must be paid to:

Wood County Treasurer
400 Market Street
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

How can I pay?

You have several options to make the payment that is due by **January 31st, 2021**

Pay In Person is not allowed — Due to Covid, December – February payments **cannot** be paid in person. We will review the Covid situation as we near the April installment.

Put in the drop box at the City Hall, located outside the main entrance doors. Please **DO NOT PLACE CASH** in the drop box. For your own safety, we discourage putting cash in the drop box

Pay By Mail—Make your check payable to the City of Wisconsin Rapids, write your tax parcel number on the check and enclose the payment stub (the top portion of your Real Property Tax Bill) and mail it to:

**City of Wisconsin Rapids
Finance Department
444 W Grand Ave.
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495**

Pay Online—The City offers residents the option to pay online but it will cost 2.39% for Credit Card payments, flat \$3.95 for Debit cards or \$1.50 for E-Checks.

What happens if I pay late?

By State law, if you fail to pay the entire amount of your first installment by **January 31, 2021** then the option to pay in installments is no longer available. The entire balance then becomes due and will accrue interest at a rate of 1.0% per month until the delinquent amount is paid in full.


What if I can't pay my entire 1st installment amount?

We encourage everyone to try and pay at least the amount of their first installment to avoid interest and penalty, it is in your best interest to pay as much as you can by the due date. Continuing to make monthly payments until your entire balance is paid in full will help to reduce the amount of interest and penalty you will pay and, reduce the risk of losing your property.

When am I eligible for a Lottery Credit?

If this property was your primary residence on January 1, 2020, please check your tax bill to verify you received this credit. If you do not see it, you can still apply for one at the City Hall **BEFORE** January 31, 2021. Remember, you may only have one credit.

To pay online go to
www.wirapids.org and select Taxes
Remember there is an additional



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Who can claim this credit?

- **You may claim** – this credit for 2020 property taxes, payable in 2021, if on January 1, 2020, you were the owner of the property and used the property as your primary residence. You can have only one primary residence.
- **You cannot claim** – this credit on business property, rental units, land, garages or other properties that are not your primary residence. A non-Wisconsin resident cannot claim this credit.

Questions?

If you have questions on the Lottery and Gaming Credit, contact your County Treasurer or the Wisconsin Department of Revenue at (608) 266-9457, (608) 266-0772, or lgs@wisconsin.gov.

2020 Lottery and Gaming Credit Claim		
Property address <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>		Parcel number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Town } <input type="checkbox"/> Village } <input type="checkbox"/> City } _____ County of _____
<i>I attest, under penalty of law, that as of January 1, 2020, I was an owner of the property described above and that as of that date I used the property as my primary residence. I understand that I must notify the county treasurer within 30 days of the date on which I no longer use the property as my primary residence.</i>		
Claimant name (please print)	Email	
Signature	Phone () -	Date (mm-dd-yyyy) - -

Submitting Your Application

If the property qualified as your primary residence on January 1, 2020, submit this completed form to your **County Treasurer**. The credit will appear on your 2020 property tax bill.

<p>Filing deadline: _____ <small>(mm-dd-yyyy)</small></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Note: If the property is located in Milwaukee County, submit this completed form to your Municipal Treasurer. Do not send it to the Milwaukee County Treasurer.</p> </div>	<p>County Treasurer address:</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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