



**NOTICE OF CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES DUE**  
Made pursuant to Section 2609, Revenue and Taxation Code

I, Shari L. Freidenrich, Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector, hereby announce that the annual 2024-25 Secured Property Tax bills are being mailed (and are currently available online) to all property owners at the mailing address of record shown on the secured property tax roll received from the Assessor. If you recently purchased property, the secured property tax bill may be sent to the previous owner, but you can view, print and pay the bill after inputting the physical address at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill).

Secured property tax bills (bill) are only mailed once a year, however a statement of your account including any delinquent prior year bills is available online 24/7. If you receive a RED bill, you owe prior year taxes. If you own property in Orange County and have not yet received your bill, you can obtain a copy of your bill and view an online statement by inputting your parcel number or physical address at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill). You may also contact us by email at [tcinfo@tc.ocgov.com](mailto:tcinfo@tc.ocgov.com), visit us in-person at the County Service Center (CSC) at 601 North Ross St. in Santa Ana or call us at (714) 834-3411. Directions and parking information can be viewed online at [octreasurer.com/octaxparking](https://octreasurer.com/octaxparking). Copies of bills for the current fiscal year and previous fifteen fiscal years are available online, and GIS maps of properties can be viewed at [mello.ocgov.com](https://mello.ocgov.com) or [octreasurer.com/octaxmap](https://octreasurer.com/octaxmap). To avoid a 10% penalty, pay taxes timely and ensure your payment is received and processed by the payment deadlines below. Sign up to receive secured property tax reminders via text or email at [octreasurer.com/securedreminders](https://octreasurer.com/securedreminders). Reminders are sent when bills are available online and mailed, ten days prior to the payment deadline, one day prior to the payment deadline, and on the last timely payment dates.

If your mailing address has changed, please file a change of address request ([ocassessor.gov/forms](https://ocassessor.gov/forms)) with the Office of the Assessor as soon as possible to ensure future bills are mailed to the correct address. California Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 2610.5 and 2910.1 state that failure to receive a bill does not alleviate a taxpayer's responsibility to pay property taxes and is not a basis upon which late penalties may be waived.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS** (View at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill)): Payments may be made online at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill) by eCheck at no cost using a checking or savings account, by credit card (a 2.29% service fee with a minimum charge of \$1.95 applies), or by debit card in-person at the CSC (flat fee of \$2.95). Payments made using home banking options must be made payable to the County of Orange and include the APN number in the account number field (formatted as: XXX-XXX-XX or XXX-XXX-XX.XX) to ensure it is posted timely and matches the outstanding balance available online. Third-party payor mailed payments do not have postmarked envelopes, so to avoid late penalties, payment should be requested well in advance of the payment deadline. Payments may also be made in person at the Office of the Treasurer-Tax Collector at the CSC at 601 North Ross St. in Santa Ana, between the hours of 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Payments can also be made 24/7 in the Depository Drop Box off Ross Street by check only (no cash). Payments of multiple parcels can be easily made simultaneously online by adding each to your cart before paying. A detailed receipt will then list each parcel paid.

**PAYMENT DEADLINES:** To pay both installments online at the same time on or before December 10, 2024, click on "Pay Both Installments". Note that the second installment may also be paid separately from the first installment, but can only be paid online two business days after submitting the first installment payment.

**PAYMENTS BY UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE (USPS):** Mailed payments are recommended to be hand-stamped with a USPS postmark when dropped off at the Post Office, as some local Post Offices no longer postmark mail.

**PARTIAL PAYMENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED.** Payment plans for unpaid current secured property taxes can be effective only after June 30, 2025. Outstanding balances incur a monthly 1.5% penalty (18% annually) starting on July 1, 2025. For information on prior and current year delinquent taxes payment plan options, visit [octreasurer.com/PaymentPlans](https://octreasurer.com/PaymentPlans).

- The **FIRST INSTALLMENT** is due in full on November 1, 2024. The deadline to pay without penalty is December 10, 2024. A 10% late penalty will be added if payment is not received or has a USPS postmark after this date. Online payments processed at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill) with a payment reference number by 11:59 p.m. PST will receive same-day credit and be considered timely.
- The **SECOND INSTALLMENT** is due in full on February 1, 2025. The deadline to pay without penalty is April 10, 2025. A 10% late penalty plus a \$23 delinquent charge will be added if the second installment payment is not received, if the first installment taxes are unpaid, or payment is USPS postmarked after this date. Online payments processed at [octreasurer.com/octaxbill](https://octreasurer.com/octaxbill), with a confirmation receipt number by 11:59 p.m. PST will receive same-day credit and be accepted as timely. Property taxes processed online on or before 11:59 p.m. PST December 31, 2024, will receive a date and time-stamped receipt in 2024.

**PENALTIES WILL BE APPLIED TO THE SECOND INSTALLMENT** if full payment of the first installment, including any late fees, is not received prior to April 10, 2025. This is because payments are first applied to any outstanding balance of the first installment and any applicable penalties. Any remaining portion of the payment may be refunded if full payment is not received.

**PENALTY CANCELLATION OPTIONS ARE LIMITED BY REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTIONS 2610.5, 2910.1, 4911(a) 4920-4925, 4985 and 4985.2.** Pay timely to avoid penalties. View limited penalty cancellation options at [octreasurer.com/penaltyinfo](https://octreasurer.com/penaltyinfo). We recommend paying penalties if a determination of your penalty cancellation request is pending to avoid additional penalties. Paid penalties will be refunded if a penalty waiver is granted.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.  
/s/ Shari L. Freidenrich, Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector  
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