How is the value of my Motor Vehicle determined?

As recommended by the Secretary of Office and Policy and Management (OPM), the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Standard price guidelines are used to determine the average/clean retail value of your motor vehicles.

What if I think my assessment is not accurate?

You have the right to appeal your assessment to the Board of Assessment Appeals. The Board meets for scheduled appointments to review and adjust assessments during the months of March (for all types of properties) and September (for Motor Vehicles appearing on the October 1st grand list only). Applications must be filed for the March session between February 1st & 20th. No appointment is necessary for the September session.

Why do I still get a bill when I no longer own my vehicle?

If you owned a vehicle as of October 1st, you are responsible for the following July bill. If you disposed of the vehicle after October 1st, you may receive a credit or refund **if** you provide proof to the assessor.

STANDARD FORMS OF PROOF FOR REMOVAL AND/OR PRORATION

PLEASE NOTE: A CT Department of Motor Vehicles cancellation of license plate <u>does not</u> show that you have disposed of the vehicle. Therefore, additional forms of proof are required to support an adjustment.

- 1) PLATE RECEIPT from DMV indicating that registration has been CANCELLED.
- 2) PLUS ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 - A copy of the bill of sale with the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification number of the vehicle, as well as buyer's signature.
 - A copy of the new owner's registration or the new owner's title with the issue date, year, make, model & Vehicle Identification number of the vehicle.
 - A copy of the Transfer of Title (signed)
 - Out of State registration (date the vehicle was registered outside the State of Connecticut);
 - Stolen vehicle: a statement from insurance company indicating that the vehicle was stolen and NOT RECOVERED and must include the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification number of the vehicle.
 - Totaled vehicle: a statement from the insurance company indicating that the vehicle was totaled and must include the year, make, model & Vehicle Identification number of the vehicle;
 - Junked vehicle: a notarized receipt from junk yard
 - Trade-in vehicle: a copy of purchase agreement identifying the trade-in vehicle.

NOTE: All information must be DATED and have the VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER on it.

If I no longer reside in the state, why am I getting a bill?

If your vehicle was registered as of Oct. 1st with the CT DMV, you received a bill. As soon as you register your vehicle in another state, send a copy of your registration **and** cancelled CT plate receipt to the Town Assessor and your bill will be adjusted based on the date registered.