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Unsecured Property Tax Payment Deadline is September 2 *Pay Online Now at TaxBill.octreasurer.gov to Avoid Penalties!*



Santa Ana, Calif. – Orange County Treasurer Shari L. Freidenrich announced that the payment deadline for over **62,000 unsecured property tax statements**—totaling more than **\$285 million**—is **September 2**. These bills were mailed to the owner of the property as of January 1, 2025, and are available online at TaxBill.octreasurer.gov, which is easily searchable by business name or account number.

These fiscal year 2025-26 unsecured property tax statements include taxes and assessments on **business property, leased equipment, boats and aircraft**. Taxpayers are encouraged to pay online using the Treasurer’s secure website at TaxBill.octreasurer.gov. There is no service fee for online payments made by eCheck. Online payments submitted by **midnight on September 2** receive same-day credit and a printable and emailed confirmation receipt.

In-person payments are accepted at the **County Service Center** at 601 N. Ross Street in Santa Ana until 5 P.M. on September 2. A **24/7 Payment Depository Box** is also available on Ross Street, where payments dropped off by midnight on September 2 will be considered timely. Late payments are charged a 10 percent penalty plus a \$75 collection fee. “We know how busy life can get, so we’ve made it easy to pay your unsecured property taxes online, securely and at no extra cost by eCheck,” said Treasurer Shari L. Freidenrich. “We encourage taxpayers to act now and avoid penalties by using our convenient online payment options,” she added.

Taxpayers mailing their payments must ensure a U.S. Postal Service postmark dated September 2 or earlier. Because many local post offices no longer postmark mail, it is strongly recommended to request hand cancellation at the postal counter if you plan to mail. Visit octreasurer.gov/Postmarks for more information.

Under state law, the person or entity listed as the owner of record on January 1, 2025, is responsible for the full fiscal year’s unsecured property taxes—even if the unsecured property was sold or transferred afterward. The new owner is not responsible for taxes until the next lien date, January 1, 2026. Can’t find your tax statement? Go online and search by business name, then use our free eCheck payment option to pay without a service fee.

Taxpayers can subscribe to receive text/email payment reminders at octreasurer.gov/UnsecuredReminders. They can also view prior-year tax bills, a printable statement and past payment history at TaxBill.octreasurer.gov. The site enables search by business name, tax collector reference number (TC Ref), CF-number, N-number, tax lien number, or tax year and assessment number.

The FY 2025-26 unsecured property tax bills include assessments for over **40,000 businesses, 12,000 boat and aircraft owners, and 9,000 leased equipment owners**. Taxpayers are reminded that no unsecured property taxes are assessed under the low-value exemption for business equipment, boats, aircraft and leased equipment if the property value is \$10,000 or less. This exemption continues to reduce the number of tax bills issued and eases the burden on small businesses.

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