

PROPERTY TAX BULLETIN

# 2025 Property Tax Calendar

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This calendar lists deadlines for the 2025–26 tax year established by the Machinery Act. Duties for which no specific deadline is prescribed by law are not included.

G.S. 105-395.1 provides that when the last day for doing an act required or permitted by the Machinery Act falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or public holiday, the act is considered to be done within the prescribed time limit if it is done on the next business day. Pursuant to these provisions, the calendar transfers to the next business day deadlines that affect the rights or tax liabilities of taxpayers. Deadlines that require tax officials to take action by a specific date are generally transferred to the last business day before the deadline. Holiday dates shown in the calendar are those set by the North Carolina Office of State Human Resources for state government offices. Counties and municipalities observing other holidays may need to adjust the calendars accordingly.

Abstracts, other listing forms, exemption and exclusion applications, and tax payments submitted by mail are deemed received as of the postmark date. To qualify, the postmark must be dated, legible, and affixed by the United States Postal Service [G.S. 105-311(b), -360(d)].

Date	Event
December 2024	
20 Friday	• Transferred from Sunday, December 22: Ten days before January 1, assessor begins to advertise 2025–26 listing period. G.S. 105-296(c).
31 Tuesday	<ul> <li>Last day for assessors to make discoveries for the 2019–20 tax year. G.S. 105-312.</li> <li>Last day for taxpayers to make late application for exemption or exclusion for the 2024–25 tax year. G.S. 105-282.1(a1).</li> </ul>
January 2025	
1 Wednesday	<ul> <li>Date as of which value, ownership, situs, and taxability of real and personal property are determined for 2025–26 property taxes. G.S. 105-285.</li> <li>Lien for 2025–26 property taxes attaches to all real property in taxing unit. G.S. 105-355.</li> <li>Begin new interest rate on delinquent property taxes from 2023–24 and prior years.</li> </ul>
	G.S. 105-360(a).  New Year's Day holiday.

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## **Date Event** January 2025 cont'd 2 Thursday • First business day in January: listing period begins. 7 Tuesday Transferred from Monday, January 6: • Unpaid 2024–25 taxes become delinquent today, and 2 percent interest accrues. G.S. 105-360(a). Beginning today, tax collector may use enforced collection remedies to secure payment of 2024–25 taxes. G.S. 105-360(a), -366. 15 Wednesday • Last day for persons holding others' tangible personal property for storage, sale, renting, or any other business purpose to make required ownership reports to county assessor. G.S. 105-315. Last day for operators of qualifying mobile home parks, marinas, and aircraft storage facilities to make required ownership reports to county assessor. G.S. 105-316. 20 Monday Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. 24 Friday • Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in April. 31 Friday Last day of listing period unless extended by governing board. G.S. 105-307. An extension of the listing period also extends the deadlines below. • Last day for timely filing of abstracts and exemption, exclusion, or use-value applications, except applications for the three individual residential property tax relief programs that are due June 1. • Last day for filing notice of change in use. G.S. 105-282.1, -277.4, -277.5. Last day to apply for individual listing extensions. G.S. 105-307. February 2025 1 Saturday Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a). 3 Monday First Monday in February: County tax collector must report to county commissioners total unpaid 2024–25 taxes that are lien on real property. G.S. 105-369(a). 10 Monday Second Monday in February: Municipal tax collector must report to governing board total unpaid 2024–25 taxes that are lien on real property. G.S. 105-369(a). 21 Friday Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in May. March 2025 1 Saturday • Tax collector must advertise tax liens at least once between March 1 and June 30. G.S. 105-369(c). Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a). 3 Monday • Thirty days after close of statutory listing period, transferred from Sunday, *March 2*: Last day to which listing period may be extended in a non-revaluation year. G.S. 105-307. 23 Sunday On this date in 1957, UNC beat Kansas and Wilt Chamberlin in triple overtime to win their first men's basketball national championship.

# **Date Event** March 2025 cont'd 28 Friday • Ten days before first Monday in April: County assessor must publish the first of three required notices of the first meeting of board of equalization and review if board is to convene on the first Monday in April. Additional notice is required if board decides to adjourn earlier or later than first announced, G.S. 105-322(f). Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in June. April 2025 1 Tuesday Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a). 7 Monday • First Monday in April: Earliest date for first meeting of board of equalization and review. G.S. 105-322(e). 15 Tuesday • Last day for county assessor to certify to superintendent of schools an estimate of the assessed value of taxable property in the administrative unit subject to voted supplemental taxes. G.S. 115C-511(b). • Last day for Department of Revenue to notify county of public service company assessment ratio for the current year. G.S. 105-284(c). • Last day for individual listing extensions (see June 1 for special rule applicable to business personal property in some counties). G.S. 105-307. 18 Friday Good Friday holiday. 25 Friday • Ten days before first Monday in May: County assessor must publish the first of three required notices of the first meeting of board of equalization and review if board is to convene on the first Monday in May. Additional notice is required if board decides to adjourn earlier or later than originally announced. G.S. 105-322(f). • Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in July. 28 Monday • Third Monday following first Monday in April: In counties not conducting a general revaluation of real property, board of equalization and review that held first meeting on the first Monday in April must adjourn by today unless the board needs more time and publishes notice of the new adjournment date. G.S. 105-322(e). May 2025 1 Thursday Deadline for governing board to adopt or amend discount schedule for use this year. New or revised schedule must be submitted to Property Tax Division for approval and then published once in a newspaper. Schedule continues in effect for subsequent years until amended or repealed. G.S. 105-360(c). • Latest date for the first meeting of board of equalization and review. G.S. 105-322(e). • Begin new interest rate on delinguent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a). 26 Monday Third Monday following first Monday in May: In counties not conducting a general revaluation of real property, board of equalization and review that held first meeting on the first Monday in May must adjourn by today unless the board needs more time and publishes notice of the new adjournment date. G.S. 105-322(e). Memorial Day holiday. 30 Friday Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in August.

Date	Event
June 2025	
1 Sunday	<ul> <li>Budget officer should have filed proposed budget with governing board by today. Tax collector is not required to accept prepayments of 2025–26 taxes until proposed budget for the new fiscal year has been filed with governing board. G.S. 159-11; 105-359(b).</li> <li>Last day for assessor to report to Division of Motor Vehicles (via VTS) the 2025–26 property tax rates for all taxing units within the county.</li> </ul>
2 Monday	<ul> <li>Transferred from Sunday, June 1:</li> <li>Last day for electronic listing of business personal property. G.S. 105-307(b)(3).</li> <li>Last day to apply for the three individual residential property tax relief exclusions. G.S. 105-277.1(c).</li> </ul>
3 Tuesday	Transferred from Sunday, June 1: Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).
27 Friday	<ul> <li>Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in September.</li> </ul>
30 Monday	<ul> <li>2024–25 fiscal year ends. G.S. 159-8(b).</li> <li>Last day for advertising tax liens. G.S. 105-369(c).</li> </ul>
July 2025	
1 Tuesday	<ul> <li>2025–26 fiscal year begins. G.S. 159-8(b).</li> <li>After July 1 and before being charged with 2025–26 taxes, the tax collector must make a sworn report to the governing board showing a list of unpaid 2024–25 real property taxes and a list of unpaid 2024–25 personal property taxes that are not liens on real property. The tax collector must also make settlement for the prior year's taxes before being charged with the current year's taxes. G.S. 105-373(a).</li> <li>Governing board of each taxing unit should appoint tax collector on or before today for a term of office to be determined by board. G.S. 105-349.</li> <li>In counties not conducting a general revaluation of real property, board of equalization and review may not accept new real property appeals after today but may complete work on pending real property appeals. G.S. 105-322(e). The board may continue to accept personal property appeals. G.S. 105-322(g)(5)(d).</li> <li>On or before today, Department of Revenue must notify county assessor of adjusted amount of income eligibility for the elderly and disabled homestead exclusion and the circuit breaker exclusion for the 2026–27 tax year. G.S. 105-277.1(a2).</li> <li>Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).</li> </ul>
4 Friday	Independence Day holiday.
25 Friday	<ul> <li>Deadline for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in October.</li> </ul>
August 2025	
1 Friday	<ul> <li>Governing board must make tax levy by today. G.S. 105-347.</li> <li>Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).</li> </ul>
29 Friday	<ul> <li>Deadline for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in November.</li> </ul>

#### **Date Event**

#### September 2025

- 1 Monday
- Last day to initiate enforced collection remedies for 2015–16 taxes. G.S. 105-378(a).
- On or before today, 2025–26 tax receipts shall be delivered to tax collector. Before tax receipts are delivered, collector shall have delivered duplicate receipts for prepaid taxes to finance officer, provided a collector's bond for current year approved by governing body, and made annual settlement for 2024–25 taxes. G.S. 105-352.
- 2025–26 taxes become due today. G.S. 105-360(a).
- 2024–25 prorated municipal taxes become due on property located in areas annexed between September 2, 2024, and June 30, 2025, and are treated as 2025–26 taxes for purposes of collection. G.S. 160A-58.10(b).
- 2025–26 prorated municipal taxes become due on property located in areas annexed between July 1, 2025, and September 1, 2025. Prorated taxes for areas annexed after September 1, 2025, and before July 1, 2026, are not due until September 1, 2026. G.S. 160A-58.10(b).
- Labor Day holiday.
- 2 Tuesday
- Transferred from Sunday, August 31: Last day to pay 2025–26 taxes at a discount adopted by governing board under G.S. 105-360(c).
- 3 Wednesday Transferred from Monday, September 1: Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).
- 26 Friday
- Last day for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in December.

### October 2025

- 1 Wednesday
  - Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).
- 31 Friday
- Deadline for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in January 2026.

#### November 2025

- 1 Saturday
- Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).
- 11 Tuesday
- Veterans' Day holiday.
- 27 Thursday
- Thanksgiving Day holiday.
- 28 Friday
- Thanksgiving Day holiday.
- Deadline for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in February 2026.

### December 2025

- 1 Monday
- In counties conducting a general revaluation of real property, board of equalization and review may not accept new appeals after today but may complete work on pending appeals. G.S. 105-322(e).
- 2 Tuesday
- Transferred from Monday, December 1: Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes. G.S. 105-360(a).
- 22 Monday
- Ten days before January 1: Assessor begins to advertise 2026–27 listing period. G.S. 105-296(c).

# **Date Event** December 2025 cont'd 24 Wednesday • Christmas holidays. 25 Thursday 26 Friday 26 Friday • Deadline for counties to provide Division of Motor Vehicles with appraisal data for classified motor vehicles with registrations that expire in March 2026. 31 Wednesday • Last day for taxpayer to make late application for exemption or exclusion for the 2025–26 tax year. G.S. 105-282.1(a1). • Last day for assessor to make discoveries for the 2020–21 tax year. January 2026 1 Thursday New Year's Day holiday • Begin new interest rate on delinquent taxes from 2024–25 and prior years. G.S. 105-360(a). 6 Tuesday Begin 2 percent interest and enforced collections on delinquent taxes from 2025–26. G.S. 105-360(a).