



**TOWN OF ASHLAND**  
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First and Second Quarter Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for FY 2010 were mailed to Ashland property owners on Tuesday June 30, 2009. Each bill has two payment coupons to be returned with payments due on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009, respectively. Please contact the Collector's office at 508-881-0100 ext. 621 if you have not received your bill.

Property owners are reminded to allow ample time for mailing as payments are considered made when *received* by the Collector. A payment mailed on or before the due date, but received by the Collector after that date, is late and subject to interest charges because, unlike federal and state income taxes, there is no statute which allows for a post mark in order to avoid interest. Massachusetts law requires that delinquent payments accrue interest at the rate of 14% per year.

For efficient processing, it is recommended that taxpayers utilize the enclosed lockbox window envelope which directs payments to an automated processing center. Alternatively, payments may be made on-line at [www.ashlandmass.com](http://www.ashlandmass.com). For taxpayers who prefer to pay in person, it would be helpful to pay via check, payable to the Town of Ashland, for the exact amount due.