### **VALUATION & ADVISORY**

# Property Tax Guidelines Massachusetts

### **Important Dates**

Valuation Date	January 1st per annual reassessment cycle
Tax Bills Issued	December 31st
Tax Bills Due	Tax bills are paid in quarterly and semi-annual installment depending on jurisdiction. Due dates are May 1st and November 1st for semi-annual and August 1st, February 1st, May 1st and November 1st for quarterly payments.
Tax Returns Due	February – July. If requested, failure to file in a timely manner may result in \$250 penalty and/or loss of appeal rights.
Appeal Deadline	February 1st for towns with quarterly payments; October – December for towns with semi-annual payments.



City or Town Assessor

# How is the assessed value determined?

The assessed market value should be determined through the income approach, the sales comparison approach and/or the cost approach. In reality, commercial real property is often assessed through mass appraisal, leaving many properties unfairly over-assessed.

## Which properties are the best candidates for appeal?

Properties that demonstrate high vacancy rates, deferred maintenance, functional or economic obsolescence, or tenant/operational issues. Assets that are not uniformly assessed with their competitive set should also be reviewed.

## What are the levels of appeal?

City or Town Board of Assessors Appellate Tax Board Massachusetts Appeal Court



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