

Press Release

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COVID-19 Tax Deferral Program

Executive Order 9R issued by Governor Lamont requires that municipalities reinstate the July 2020 tax relief programs for the upcoming January 2021 installment. In recognition of this order and of the financial hardships brought on by the global COVID-19 pandemic, the Town of Wilton is offering all qualified taxpayers the opportunity to delay payment of real estate, property and utility taxes, charges and assessments for 90 days.

The tax deferment program is open to all qualified residents, non-profits and businesses, including landlords. To qualify, taxpayers must attest that their income has decreased by at least 20% due to COVID-19 and since April have been furloughed without pay, had hours reduced or been unemployed.

Business and non-profit taxpayers must have a 30% decrease in expected revenue in the October 2020 to January 2021 period versus the October 2019 to January 2020 period. There are special provisions related to landlords.

Applications, with supporting documentation, must be filed by January 27th for bills due February 1st, 2021. Any bill not paid by 90 days from the due date will be subject to interest of 1 ½% per month. The Town of Wilton accepts partial payments on all accounts. Escrowed real estate accounts are not eligible for tax deferral per the Governor's Executive Order.

Please visit the [Town of Wilton website](https://www.wiltonct.org/town-of-wilton-website) to obtain the COVID-19 Tax Deferral application along with specific instructions on how to complete the form. For more information, please contact the Wilton Tax Collector's office at taxcollector@wiltonct.org or (203) 563-0125.

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