

Lee County Tax Collector 2009 Property Tax Partial Payment Agreement

In 2009, Legislation was passed allowing Tax Collectors, at their discretion, to accept partial tax payments on current year property taxes. The term "partial payment" is defined as a payment that is less than the full amount of taxes due excluding payments made pursuant to s. 194.171, s. 196.295, s. 197.222, s. 197.252, or s. 197.303.

Taxpayers who wish to make partial payment(s) on 2009 taxes must submit their partial payment along with a completed Agreement to the Lee County Tax Collector no later than March 31, 2010.

Terms of the Agreement

- The Tax Collector will accept up to five (5) partial payments per account, for payment of the current year's taxes and assessments.
- Upon filing this Agreement and making a partial payment, any payments made will be applied according to the Agreement for the current tax year.
- A \$10 processing fee will be deducted from each partial payment, per account. The fee will not be applied to the tax amount due.
- Early payment discounts are forfeited.
- Payments returned for insufficient funds are subject to additional fees.
- Taxpayer is responsible to make all partial payments and obtain any outstanding balance, per account. No additional tax notice will be mailed except a reminder notice per F.S. 197.343.
- Taxpayer is responsible to ensure the amount due is paid. Any unpaid balance not paid before April 1, or date of delinquency is considered delinquent and subject to additional charges imposed by Florida Law:

Real Estate - 3% minimum mandatory interest and cost of advertising.

A tax certificate sale will be held on any unpaid taxes on or before June 1, resulting in additional charges and possible loss of the property.

Tangible Personal Property - 18% annually, cost of advertising and fees.

Tax warrants will be issued on any unpaid tangible personal property accounts on or about August 1 resulting in additional charges and possible loss of the tangible personal property.

(Keep this top portion for your records)

Return the bottom portion to the Lee County Tax Collector, P.O. Box 1609, Ft. Myers, FL 33902-1609.

2009 Property Tax Partial Payment Agreement

I hereby understand and accept the terms of this Property Tax Partial Payment Agreement and agree to make partial property tax payments for the 2009 tax year on the following account:

To be completed by property owner.

Type of Account: () Real Estate () Tangible

Account No: _____

Print Owner's Name: _____

Print site/legal description (obtain from tax notice or Web site):

Print Mailing Address: _____

Signature

Date

Telephone Number/E-mail Address

Other Tax Payment Options Available- Installment Payment Plan

Next year's property taxes can be paid in quarterly installments with discounts. Installment tax notices are mailed in June, September, December and March and receive the following discounts: 6% in June; 4 ½% in September and 3% in December.

To obtain information and an **Installment Payment Plan** application, visit our Web site at www.leetc.com.

Important Property Tax Partial Payment Information

- Current tax year (2009) property taxes paid annually are eligible for partial property payments.
- Taxpayers must submit their initial partial payment along with a completed **Property Tax Partial Payment Agreement** to our office by mail or at any office location by March 31, 2010.
- Partial payments must be \$10.01 or more per account.
- To obtain the unpaid balance visit our Web site www.leetc.com, contact our office at (239) 533-6000, or visit any office location.
- Failure to receive a tax notice does not excuse taxpayers' responsibilities to pay taxes and applicable penalties for late payments.
- This Agreement is not recurring for next year's taxes. A new Agreement is required each year.

Payment Options

- **Online www.leetc.com - Final Partial Payment only** - Transfer of funds from your bank account and all major credit cards.
- **Telephone (239)533-6000** - Transfer of funds from your bank account and all major credit cards.
- **Mail** - Check (personal/business/cashier), or money order.
- **In Person**- Cash, check (personal/business/cashier), money order, debit card, and all major credit cards.

Credit and debit card payments will be charged a convenience fee on the total amount due. The fee imposed by our payment service provider is to secure all transactions and is not retained by the Lee County Tax Collector's office.

Payment must be made in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. bank. To obtain wire transfer instructions, contact our office.

LEE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR Office Hours and Locations

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, (except for holiday closings)

Fort Myers: 2480 Thompson St.

North Fort Myers: 15201 N. Cleveland Ave.

Bonita Springs: 25300 Bernwood Dr.

Cape Coral: 1039 SE 9th Ave.

South Fort Myers: 15680 Pine Ridge Rd.

Lehigh Acres: 3114 Lee Blvd.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1609, Fort Myers FL 33902-1609

Telephone: (239) 533-6000

Web Site: www.leetc.com

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ATTN: Customer Support Department
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