

# MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE ABATEMENT APPLICATION

## General Laws Chapter 60A

RETURN APPLICATION FORM AND DOCUMENTATION TO: Orange Board of Assessors

**INSTRUCTIONS.** To apply for an abatement (or refund if excise has been paid), complete this form and provide the specified documentation.

Abatement applications must be received by the assessors within three years after the excise was due, or one year after the excise was paid, whichever is later. To preserve your right to appeal, you must file on time. By law, assessors may only act on late applications on limited circumstances where the excise is still unpaid and their decision in those cases is final.

**FILING AN APPLICATION DOES NOT STAY THE COLLECTION ON TAXES.** To avoid interest, charges and collection action, including non-renewal of your registration, you must pay the bill in full within 30 days of its issue date. You will receive a refund if an abatement is granted.

**NOTE:** You are not entitled to an abatement if you (1) cancel your registration and retain ownership of the vehicle, or (2) move to another Massachusetts city or town, during the calendar year. No excise may be reduced to less than \$5.00. No abatement or refund of less than \$5.00 may be made.

Return this completed form to:  
**Orange Board of Assessors**  
 6 Prospect Street  
 Orange, MA 01364  
 978-544-1100 ext 108

Do not write below this line \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Bill # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Valuation \_\_\_\_\_ Months Assessed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Excise Assessed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Abatement Allowed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adjusted Excise \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cert # \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Assessor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assessor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assessor \_\_\_\_\_

Form Approved by Commissioner of Revenue  
 (STF 126-MVE)(12/2004)

**BILL INFORMATION:**

Tax Year \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Issue Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plate/Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make & Model \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name (as shown on bill) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address (as shown on bill) \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**REASON YOU ARE APPLYING FOR AN ABATEMENT:**

Check where applicable

**YOU MUST PROVIDE THIS DOCUMENTATION**

- Vehicle was sold or traded (1) Bill of sale **AND** (2) Either a plate return receipt from the RMV or a new registration form if the plate was transferred to another vehicle
- Vehicle was a total loss (1) Insurance settlement letter **AND** (2) Either a plate return receipt or a new registration form
- Vehicle was repossessed (1) Notice from the lienholder **AND** (2) Either a plate return receipt or a new registration form
- Vehicle was junked (1) Receipt from junk yard **AND** (2) Either a plate return receipt or a new registration
- Vehicle returned (Lemon Law) (1) Letter from the dealer certifying return **AND** (2) Either a plate return receipt or a new registration
- Move from Orange before January 1 of tax year (1) Date of move: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Proof of move: \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of residency before January 1 of tax year of bill (e.g., utility bill, voter registration, lease) **NOTE:** You must notify the RMV of your change of address
- Moved out of state (1) Registration from new state or county **AND** (2) the Massachusetts plate return receipt
- Exemption (1) Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation establishing qualification
- Valuation error (1) Letter from the RMV stating that they made a mistake in your valuation. The telephone number designated for valuation errors is 1-857-368-8180

Subscribed under the penalties of perjury  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ I have paid this excise tax bill: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_