

General Assessment Information

Property tax is measured and determined by property values and is apportioned among taxpayers according to the assessed taxable value of the property. The amount of the property tax is determined each year to meet the budgetary requirements of the county, local, and regional schools and the local municipality.

The Tax Assessor is responsible for valuing all properties within the City for the purpose of taxation. The Assessor utilizes recognized appraisal industry methods which include the sales comparison, cost and income approach to valuation. It is important that each assessment is accurate and conforms to uniform standards ensuring that each individual property owner pays only their fair share of the tax burden. The Tax Assessor, in addition to being responsible to the taxpayers of the City of Somers Point, reports to the Atlantic County Board of Taxation and the New Jersey State Division of Taxation.

Deductions available:

1. **Veterans Deduction** - Qualified veterans of the United States who served in time of war may be entitled to a yearly deduction of \$250.00 on their property taxes.

Forms may be downloaded from web site.

2. **Senior Citizen and Disabled Persons Deduction** - Persons over the age of 65 and 100% Disabled Persons of any age may be entitled to a yearly deduction of \$250.00 on their property taxes.

Forms may be downloaded from web site.

Change of Mailing Address: The City of Somers Point Tax Assessment office only accepts change of address in written form signed by the property owner.

Tax Rebate Programs available through the State of New Jersey:

1. Property Tax Reimbursement Program aka. Property Tax Freeze
1-800-882-6597
2. Homestead Rebate
1-800-323-4400

Assessments: Assessment notices are sent out by February 1st of every year and will list the assessment that will be used, for taxation purposes, for that year. Information about the appeal process will be listed on the back of the notice.

Tax Appeals: Please note that you cannot appeal your taxes, only your assessment. If a City of Somers Point Resident is dissatisfied with their property assessment, call and talk with the Tax Assessor at 609-927-9088 ext. 127. The Assessor will explain and hopefully resolve any problems you may have. If you are not satisfied, you can file a tax appeal with the Atlantic County Board of Taxation. The deadline for filing a tax appeal is April 1st.