

# MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE ABATEMENT APPLICATION

## General Laws Chapter 60A

RETURN APPLICATION FORM AND DOCUMENTATION TO: 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 in limited circumstances where the excise is still unpaid and their decision in those cases is final.

Filing an application does not stay the collection of your excise bill. 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:  
**Board of Assessors** • \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
• \_\_\_\_\_ MA \_\_\_\_\_

Board of Assessors at (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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Year \_\_\_\_\_ Bill # \_\_\_\_\_

Valuation \_\_\_\_\_ Months Assessed \_\_\_\_\_

Excise Assessed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Abatement Allowed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Adjusted Excise \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cert. # \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Assessor \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor \_\_\_\_\_

### BILL INFORMATION:

Tax Year \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Issue Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_

Plate 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

<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle sold or traded	Bill of sale and plate return receipt from Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) or new registration form if plate transferred to another vehicle
<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle stolen or total loss	Police report or insurance settlement letter and plate return receipt, C-19 Form (Affidavit of Lost or Stolen Plate from RMV) or new registration form
<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle repossessed	Notice from lienholder and plate return receipt, C-19 Form or new registration form
<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle junked	Receipt from junk yard and plate return receipt, C-19 Form or new registration form
<input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle returned (Lemon Law)	Letter from dealer certifying return and plate return receipt or new registration form
<input type="checkbox"/> Moved from _____ before January 1 of tax year	Date of move: ____/____/____ Proof of residency before January 1 of tax year of bill (e.g., utility bill, voter registration, lease) <u>and</u> proof RMV was notified before January 1 of address change for registration NOTE: You must notify the RMV within 30 days of moving and before January 1 to be billed by your new city or town next year.
<input type="checkbox"/> Moved out of state	Date of move: ____/____/____ plate return receipt from RMV <b>and</b> registration from new state or country is needed
<input type="checkbox"/> Exemption	Type: _____ Documentation establishing qualifications
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Explain: _____ Relevant documentation

Subscribed under the penalties of perjury

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_