

# MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE ABATEMENT APPLICATION

General Laws Chapter 60A

RETURN APPLICATION FORM AND DOCUMENTATION TO: Board of Assessors, 380 Great Road, Stow, MA 01775

**INSTRUCTIONS.** To apply for an abatement (or refund if excise has been paid), complete this form and provide the specified documentation. Abatement application **must** be filed with the board of assessors on or before December 31 of the calendar year following the excise year (or 30 days after the bill is issued if that date is later). **By law the assessors cannot act on late applications.**

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:  
**Town of Stow, Board of Assessors**  
**380 Great Road, Stow, MA 01775**

Board of Assessors at (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Do not write below this line

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Cal. Year \_\_\_\_\_ Bill # \_\_\_\_\_

Valuation \_\_\_\_\_ Months assessed \_\_\_\_\_

Original Excise \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Abatement allowed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Adjusted Excise \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

**BILL INFORMATION:**

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

Plate/Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Year \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Name (as shown on bill) \_\_\_\_\_ Soc. Sec. No. (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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 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

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

Vehicle repossessed

Notice from lienholder **and** plate return receipt, C-19 Form or new registration form

Vehicle junked

Receipt from junk yard **and** plate return receipt, C-19 Form or new registration form

Vehicle returned (Lemon Law)

Letter from dealer certifying return **and** plate return receipt or new registration form

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) **and** 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.

Moved out of state

Date of move: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Registration from new state or country

Exemption

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation establishing qualifications

Other

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_ Relevant documentation

Subscribed under the penalties of perjury

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_