

Important Reminder About Mailing Tax Payments

We want to help taxpayers avoid unnecessary penalties and interest.

Due to changes in **U.S. Postal Service (USPS) postmarking practices**, mailed payments may receive a postmark **one or more days after they are placed in the mail**, especially when mailed close to the due date.

Under **Texas Tax Code §111.054** and **§1.08**, a tax payment or filing sent by mail is considered timely **only if it is deposited on or before the due date**, as shown by a **USPS postmark or carrier receipt**. State law requires our office to rely on that postmark date when determining timeliness.

Because postmark delays are outside the control of both taxpayers and our office, we strongly encourage taxpayers to **plan ahead and avoid last-minute mailing**.

To help ensure timely payment:

- Mail payments **several days before the due date**
- Request a **manual postmark at the post office counter**
- Use **certified mail or a trackable delivery service**
- Or submit payments **electronically or in person**

Please note: **Penalties and interest may apply** if a payment is postmarked after the due date, even if it was intended to be mailed on time. Our office must follow the Texas Tax Code and cannot waive penalties based solely on intent.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping ensure timely and accurate processing of tax payments.