

Village of Chenequa

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U.S. Postal Service Change Could Affect Taxes

Property owners who pay their taxes via mail should be aware that a recent change in policy by the U.S. Postal Service could affect when envelopes are postmarked, according to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR), effective December 24, 2025.

Instead of postmarks being affixed when the item is first touched by the Postal Service, postmarks are now stamped at regional sorting centers. This means that your postmark could be several days after you put the mail into your mailbox.

Postmark Date and Property Tax Payment Timeliness

Payments received by the proper official:

- Within five working day grace period are considered timely, regardless of postmark.
- **After the grace period** must be properly addressed and postmarked before midnight of the due date to be considered timely.
- Late Payments may be considered timely if the delay was due to a USPS delay or administrative error.

In most Municipalities in Wisconsin, the due dates for property tax payments are: First installment is due on or before January 31 and the second installment is due on or before July 31.

Please allow enough time for your payment to arrive at a regional sorting center for postmark by the deadline. Simply placing your payment in a mailbox by the deadline may not ensure timely payment.

Other options:

Drop your payment in person at the Village Hall Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Friday's from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Holiday Hours:

December 24th and 25th we will be closed to celebrate the Christmas Holiday. Friday, December 26, normal business hours: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

December 31st and January 1st we will be closed to celebrate New Years Eve and New Years Day. We will re-open for normal business hours on January 2, 2026 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.