

# TAX STATEMENT PRODUCTION INSTRUCTIONS

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to act as a resource for municipalities on a number of processes and reporting requirements in relation to the Tax Statements Production Process. In addition to the document, templates have been developed to assist in submitting information. Instructions include how to add a new by-law, change by-law rates, mass update a by-law, submit arrears and credits and pre-authorized payment.

Tax Production Templates are formatted Excel Spreadsheets. All tax data for the preparation of tax statements will be required to be submitted using these templates.

This document will continue to evolve to provide updated information and direction as processes and reporting requirements change. New sections will be created and distributed as required.

This document will answer many questions related to the tax statements production process. If this document does not provide the information you require, please contact Municipal Relations at:

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# **SECTION 1. "ADD NEW BY-LAW"**

### 1.1. When should I use this template?

The "Add New By-law" template should be submitted when:

- adding a new by-law after 3<sup>rd</sup> reading
- replacing an expired by-law or by-law with generic YEAR END (i.e. year 9999)
- updating the description of an existing by-law as it appears on the tax statement
   Note: enter all existing information regarding the by-law and the NEW description
   that will be shown in the tax statement
- replace an existing by-law
   Note: if the by-law charges multiple types of levies (mill rate and per parcel, etc.)
   be sure to give each a unique bylaw number, such as 20-17A, 20-17B, 20-17C etc.

#### 1.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

- The "Add New By-law" template;
- A signed copy of the new by-law after 3<sup>rd</sup> reading;
- A "Mass Update By-law" Template
   Note: This template is required for any new by-law that charges different
   amounts per roll numbers (e.g. frontage levies, different per parcel rates). Please
   refer to Section 3 "Mass Update By-law" template.

#### 1.3. How to use this template?

This template only requires on line for each new by-law. The template provides the basic information used to add the by-law on MMO. The headings form the template are below, along with an explanation of what to enter in each column.

4	Α	В	С	D	E	
1	Muni#	By-law#	Start Year	<b>End Year</b>	By-law Code	Des
2	101	22-15	2023	2030	General Borrowing	
3	101	22-16P	2023	2027	Special Service Levy	
4	101	22-16M	2023	2027		T
5					General Borrowing Special Service Levy	
6					Special Service Levy - Applied to exempt properties	
7					Local Improvement Local Improvement - Applied to exempt properties	
8					Land Only	
9					Land Only - Applied to exempt properties	

Each row must have the following information:



**MUMI** # – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**BY-LAW #** – the new by-law number. This will show in both MMO and the Tax Statements.

**START YEAR** – the Year the municipality starts collecting levies as per the by-law.

**END YEAR** – the year that the by-law expires.

**Notes:** a) By-laws are removed from the system the year after the "End Year". Example: For 2021, all by-laws that had an end year of 2020 will no longer show in MMO.

- b) If a by-law is to continue following the END YEAR, an ADD NEW BY-LAW template will have to be submitted.
- c) An existing by-law can be manually deleted by MUNICIPAL RELATIONS. The Municipality must email a request to: <a href="mailto:mrmaas@gov.mb.ca">mrmaas@gov.mb.ca</a>

**BY-LAW CODE** – this internal categorization that will tell the system how to process the by-law. Select a by-law code from the drop down menu.

BY-LAW CODE	APPLICATION
General Borrowing	"General Borrowing" will apply to all rolls within the municipality using the land and building assessment and includes taxable and grant-in-lieu properties
Special Service Levy (SSL) , excluding exempt properties	Levy charged for services as prescribed the Municipal By-law with all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties and excluding exempt properties
Special Service Levy (SSL) , including exempt properties	Levy charged for services as prescribed the Municipal By-law with all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties and including exempt properties
Local Improvement (L_IMP) , excluding exempt properties	Levy charged for a capital improvement as prescribed in the Municipal By-law with all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties and excluding exempt properties
Local Improvement (L_IMP) , including exempt properties	Levy charged for a capital improvement as prescribed in the Municipal By-law with all taxable and grant-in-lieu properties and including exempt properties
Land Only, <u>excluding</u> exempt properties	All taxable and grant-in-lieu properties, only applying to the land assessment excluding exempt properties
Land Only, <u>including</u> exempt properties	All taxable and grant-in-lieu properties, only applying to the land assessment including exempt properties

**Notes**: BY-LAW CODE When creating a template, please select the same CODE as indicated on the Signed Copy of By-Laws after 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.

<sup>\* &</sup>lt;u>All General Borrowing will not appear on the Municipal Annual Bylaw Maintenance page of MMO because they apply to all properties in the municipality.</u>



**DESCRIPTION ON TAX STATEMETNS** – this wording will appear along with the by-law number on the tax statements so ratepayers are able to see the title of the by-law.

**Example:** Fire Protection

2376-15 FIRE PROTECTION 2020 174,160 1.009 175.73



### 1.4. How to submit the template?

rename your files using the format:

Add New By-law 02-21 – XXX.xlsx (02-21=by-law #, XXX = Muni #)

New By-law 02-21 – XXX.pdf (A signed copy of the new by-law after 3<sup>rd</sup> reading)

Mass Update By-law 02-21 – XXX.xlsx

• submit on MMO under Submit/View Municipal Reports: Municipal Report



 You will then attach the required documents for your municipality under report name:

2021	Tax	TAX: BYLAW MAINTENANCE - ADD, CHANGE OR UPDATE

Notes: You will need to submit

- > the "Add New By-law" file,
- > a **signed copy** of your by-law after 3<sup>rd</sup> reading,
- ➤ and possible a "Mass Update By-law" file (see Section 3).



# **SECTION 2. "BY-LAW RATE CHANGES"**

### 2.1. When should I use this template?

A municipality should submit this template when:

• updating one or up to five (5) different rates on an existing by-law, when most properties are charged the same rate.

Note: to add or delete only a few roll from an existing by-law, or to update levy amounts for a rolls, you will have to make the changes through the **Municipal Annual**Bylaw Maintenance screen on MMO, NOT through these templates.

**IMPORTANT**: Please refer to **Section 3 – "Mass Update By-law"** template when:

- applying charges to rolls pertaining to <u>a new by-law</u> or
- updating 6 or more rates to an existing by-law

#### 2.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

• the "By-law Rate Change" Template

# 2.3. How to use this template?

The template has the following columns:

Muni#	By-law #	<b>Old Rate Amount</b>	<b>New Rate Amount</b>
196	11/2016	129	132
196	10/2016	69	70

# Each row must have the following information:

**MUNI #** – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**BY-LAW** # – which by-law will be affected by this specific rate change.

**OLD RATE AMOUNT** – the rate that was being levied previous year.

**NEW RATE AMOUNT** – the new rate that will take effect on the current tax year.

### 2.4. How to submit the template?

• Rename your files using the format:

By-law Rate Changes – 2021 – XXX.xlsx (XXX = Muni #)



• Submit on MMO under **Submit/View Municipal Reports**: <u>Municipal Report</u>



• You will then attach the "**By-law Rate Changes**" file for your municipality under report name:

2021	Tax	TAX: BYLAW MAINTENANCE - ADD, CHANGE OR UPDATE



# **SECTION 3. "MASS UPDATE BY-LAW"**

### 3.1. When should I use this template?

As outlined in **Section 1. "Add New By-law"**, submit this template when:

- submitting a new by-law and implementing new rates to properties.
- any by-law that only affects PART of the municipality.
- any by-law that affects the whole municipality BUT charges different amounts per roll numbers (e.g. frontage levies, different per parcel rates).

**Note:** "Mass Update By-law" templates is meant for large amounts of data. To add or delete rolls from an existing by-law, or to update levy amounts for a few properties, you will have to make the changes through the **Municipal** Annual Bylaw Maintenance screen on MMO, NOT through the "Mass Update By-law" template.

**IMPORTANT:** When updating up to five (5) rates, please refer to **Section 2**.

#### 3.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

• the "Mass Update By-law" Template

### 3.3. How to use this template?

The template has the following columns:

ĺ	Bv-law #	Muni#	Roll Type (R/P)	Roll#	Rate Amount (>= 0)
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# Each row must have the following information:

**BY-LAW #** – identification of by-law affected.

(Ensure this matches the # on your "Add New Bylaw" template.)

**MUNI #** – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**ROLL TYPE (R / P)** – whether the roll is designated as Real or Personal. This is important to differentiate because there are repetitive roll numbers in both Real and Personal properties.

**ROLL #** – the roll number to which the rate will be applied.

**RATE AMOUNT (>=0)** – the current rate that should be levied on that property. Example: if your rate was \$50 previously and currently is \$25, you would enter 25 in the **Rate Amount (>=0)** column. This value can be any number **greater than zero (0)**.



# 3.4. How to submit the template?

• Rename your files using the format:

Mass Update By-law 03-21 - XXX.xlsx (03-21 = by-law #, XXX = Muni #)

• Submit on MMO under **Submit/View Municipal Reports**: Municipal Report



• You will then attach the "Mass Update By-law" file for your municipality under report name:

2021 Tax	TAX: BYLAW MAINTENANCE - ADD, CHANGE OR UPDATE



# **SECTION 4. "STATUS OF TAX STATEMENTS PRODUCTION"**

# **Tax Data Preparation**

### **BY-LAW MAINTENANCE**

Municipalities add/delete rolls and/or update levies in MMO/<u>Municipal Annual</u>
 <u>Bylaw Maintenance</u>.

manitoba.ca > Municipal Relations > Manitoba Municipalities Online

Municipal Annual Bylaw Maintenance

 Municipalities submit "Add New By-law" and "Mass Update By-law" templates on MMO/Municipal Reports/<u>TAX: BYLAW MAINTENANCE – ADD, CHANGE OR</u> UPDATE.

TAX: BYLAW MAINTENANCE - ADD, CHANGE OR UPDATE

### SUBMITTED ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Municipalities submit ALL required documents on MMO
- Required Documents
  - Financial Plan
     Tax
     Tax: FINANCIAL PLAN
     Tax: Tax: Levy ByLaws
     Arrears and Credits
     Tax: Tax: ARREARS & CREDITS
  - Property Tax Request Form
     Tax TAX: REQUEST TO PRODUCE TAX STATEMENTS

**Note**: The process to prepare the Tax Statements cannot continue if any items are missing or incomplete.

# **Tax Data Processing**

#### FINANCIAL PLAN & TAX LEVY BYLAW REVIEWED

 Once the Financial Plan and Tax Levy By-law are submitted by the Municipality, Municipal Relations will be notified.



# ARREARS AND CREDITS CONFIRMED

 Municipalities fill out the "Arrears and Credits" Template (available in MMO), and submit on MMO/Municipal Reports/<u>TAX: ARREARS & CREDITS</u>.

Tax TAX: ARREARS & CREDITS

Arrears and Credits Verification will be presented on MMO.



**Note**: If there is an issue, the Municipality will be notified by email.

### REQUEST TO PRINT TAXES PROCESSED

• Municipalities download a fillable Property Tax Request Form from MMO.



Property Tax Request Form

 Please fill out the form electronically, and submit via MMO/Municipal Report/<u>TAX:</u> REQUEST TO PRODUCE TAX STATEMENTS.

TAX: REQUEST TO PRODUCE TAX STATEMENTS

**Note**: Please **DO NOT** submit a **BLANK** form.

# **Tax Run**

#### TAX STATEMENTS READY TO BE REVIEWED BY MUNICIPALITY

 When the Draft Tax Statements have been uploaded in MMO, the municipality must review for accuracy.



Tax Files Download



### TAX STATEMENTS APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITY

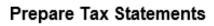
 Municipality have to click "Proceed Print" button if there are no issues with the Draft Tax Statements.

#### **SENT TO PRINT**

- Once Municipal Relations receives a confirmation of the Tax Statements Review,
   the Tax Statements will be sent to the Printer.
- Printing process takes 4 to 6 business days to complete.

#### DATE MAILED

- Printed Tax Statements will be sent by <u>Priority Post with Signature</u>.
- Municipal Relations will update the mailed date on MMO/Status of Tax Statements Production.





Status of Tax Statements Production - "NEW"



Municipal Relations has created a new section on MMO to enable Municipalities to view their tax process at a glance.

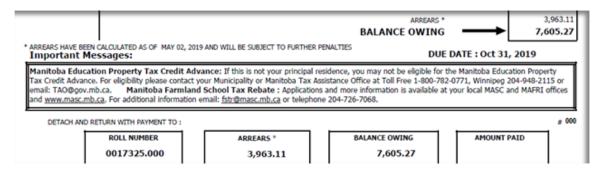


### **SECTION 5. "ARREARS AND CREDITS"**

### 5.1. When should I use this template?

- when submitting request to print tax statements in order
- to show the arrears and credits on your tax statements

**Note:** ONLY the roll numbers with arrears and credits need to be submitted.



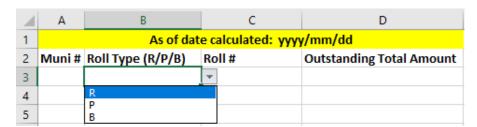
#### 5.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

• the "Arrears and Credits" Template

### 5.3. How to use this template?

Arrears and Credits template consist of four columns A) Muni #, B) Roll Type
(Real/Personal/Business), C) Roll #, and D) Outstanding Total Amount. Columns
A, B and C MUST agree with the Assessment roll.

The template has the following columns:



# Each row must have the following information:

AS OF DATE CALCULATED – Please provide the date arrears and credits were calculated

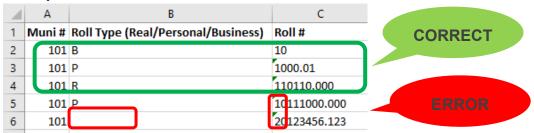
**MUNI #** – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**ROLL TYPE (REAL / PERSONAL / BUSINESS)** – whether the roll is designated as **Real**, **Personal or Business**. This **MUST** match the same roll type indicated by Assessment.



**ROLL #** – the roll number to which the rate will be applied. Roll numbers should be in the following format **654321.000** (Nine digits long with no more than **six digits** before the decimal point and no more than **three digits** after the decimal point)

### **Example:**



**IMPORTANT**: a) **DO NOT** contain any kind of prefixes.

b) The file **MUST** contain **ONLY ACTIVE** rolls.

OUTSTANDING TOTAL AMOUNT – MUST combined all previous and current arrears and credits into one total. <u>Positive values</u> indicate **Arrears** and <u>negative values</u> indicate **Credits**.

### **Example:**

$\square$	Α	В	С	D
1	Muni #	Roll Type (Real/Personal/Business)	Roll#	Outstanding Total Amount
2	000	В	10	-22.75
3		В	50	12570
4		P	5001.010	2980.2
5		P	123000.123	-458
6		R	123400	420.23
7		R	123400.010	420.23
8		R	123400.500	-29.77
9		R	123400.950	-9.77

# 5.4. How to submit the template?

Rename your file using the format:

Arrears and Credits 2021 - XXX.xlsx (XXX = Muni #)

• Submit on MMO under **Submit/View Municipal Reports**: Municipal Report



• You will then attach the "Arrears and Credits" template under report name:

2021 Tax TAX: ARREARS & CREDITS

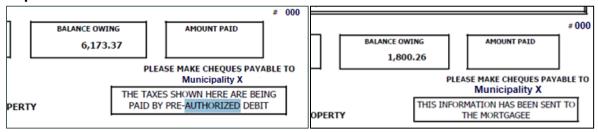


# **SECTION 6. "PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT"**

### 6.1. When should I use this template?

• If your municipality allows for pre-authorized payment of property tax. This information will show on the property tax statements.

### **Example:**



### 6.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

• the "Pre-Authorized Payment" Template

#### 6.3. How to use this template?

The template has the following columns:

Muni #	Roll Type (R/P)	Roll #	Pay Code (A [pre Authorized debit] or M [paid by Mortgager])
101	R	12345.001	A
101	R	123456.1	Α

# Each row must have the following information:

**MUNI #** – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**ROLL TYPE (R / P)** – whether the roll is designated as Real or Personal. This MUST match the same roll type indicated by Assessment.

**ROLL #** – the roll number to which the payment option will be applied.

**PAY CODE** – **A**: Pre-**A**uthorized Debit or **M**: Paid by **M**ortgager

**IMPORTANT:** The file **MUST** contain **ONLY ACTIVE** rolls.



# 6.4. How to submit the template?

• Rename your file using the format:

Pre-Authorized Payment 2021 - XXX.xlsx (XXX = Muni #)

• Submit on MMO under **Submit/View Municipal Reports**: Municipal Report

Submit/View Municipal Report

Municipal Report

Provincial Reports

• You will then attach the "Pre-Authorized Payment" template under report name:

2021	Tax	TAX: PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS



# **SECTION 7. "MASS CIVIC ADDRESS CHANGE"**

### 7.1. When should I use this template?

When your municipality has a large number of civic addresses to update.

Notes: a) Mass Update templates are meant for large amounts of data.

b) **Individual roll updates** should still be submitted through MMO/<u>Assessment</u> Work.

#### Assessment Work (building permits, memos, address changes, etc)

Assessment Work

Send Building Permits (Spreadsheet) to Assessment

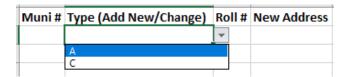
Assessment Information Extracts

#### 7.2. Which documents do I need to submit?

• the "Mass Civic Address Update" Template

### 7.3. How to use this template?

The template has the following columns:



# Each row must have the following information:

**MUNI** # – the number assigned to identify the municipality.

**TYPE (ADD NEW / CHANGE)** – **A**: Add new civic address or **C**: Change civic address

**ROLL #** – the roll number for property that needs to be updated.

**NEW ADDRESS** – enter the <u>New Civic Address</u> for the property. (**Example:** 123 Cherry Tree Lane NE)

### 7.4. How to submit the template?

Rename your file using the format:

Mass Civic Address Update 2021 - XXX.xlsx (XXX = Muni #)

• Email the file to: mrmaas@gov.mb.ca



# **SECTION 8. "MASS PERMIT SUBMISSION"**

- 8.1. When should I use this template?
  - To submit more than five (5) permits
- 8.2. Which documents do I need to submit?
  - the "Mass Permit Submission" Template
- 8.3. How to use this template?

The template has the following columns:



Each row must have the following information (Mandatory fields will be marked with \*):

MUNI # \* - the number assigned to identify the municipality

**PERMIT #** \* – the designated permit number for the work on the property. \*If no permit number is assigned, use the roll number

**ISSUE DATE** \* – the date the permit was issued

**ROLL #** \* – roll number of the property on the permit (**Note:** if two (2) properties are listed on the permit, there should be two (2) rows on the spreadsheet. One row per roll number)

**LEGAL DESC** \* – The legal description for the roll number on the permit

ADDRESS – Civic Address for the property listed on the permit. Required if roll number is unknown. Only leave blank if there is no civic address for this property.

**APPLICANT INFO** \* – Name of the owner for the property on the permit, along with contact information if available (i.e. phone number and/or email)

**CONTRACTOR INFO** – Name of person/company doing the work on the property along with contact info if available (i.e.: phone number and/or email)

**DESC OF WORK** \* – Describe the work that is being applied for on the permit. Example: New RTM on a full ICF foundation, or Removal of pole shed. Provide as much information as possible from the permit.



**BUILDING TYPE** \* – To the best of your ability enter one of the three (3) following building types for the work involved. <u>Residential</u> (homes, sheds, garages, etc.), <u>Farm</u> (pole shed, barn, silo, etc.), <u>Commercial</u> (Retail stores, commercial buildings, businesses, etc.)

UNIT # - Number of buildings on the property or condo unit number

**VALUE** \* – The estimated cost of the work that is being done on the property. If the cost of the permit is based on an estimated cost of the project, submit the estimated cost.

**PERMIT FEE** \* – The fee collected when the permit was issued.

SQ FT – The square footage of the building being affected by the permit. (Example: 1500 for a new 1,500 sq. ft. home, or 130 for a new deck, or 2300 for a renovation of a commercial building)

## 8.4. How to submit the template?

Rename your file using the format:

Mass Permit Submission 2021 - XXX.xlsx (XXX = Muni #)

Submit on MMO under Assessment Work: Send Building Permits

Assessment Work (building permits, memos, address changes, etc)

Assessment Work

Send Building Permits (Spreadsheet) to Assessment



Assessment Information Extracts

• Click **Browse** and find your permit file. Double-click on the file name. Once it is attached, the file will be displayed in the **Attached file**: box, click **Send** to submit.

Send Building Permits (Spreadsheet) to Assessment

The following is a suggested layout for your Excel spreadsheet when submitting building permits

- Municipality Number
- Roll Number
- Property Address (only required if roll number is unknown)
- Permit Number (your own internal number to ID the work)
- Issued Date (the date the permit was issued)
- Value
- Building Type (Residential/Farm/Commercial)
- Applicant Information (name and contact information)
   Contractor Information (if known)
- Contractor Information (if known)
   Description of Work (new house, addition, deck, foundation only, etc.)
- Square Footage (if known)

Estimated Completion Date (if known)

This option has been provided for use where a municipality's permit system has an extract option. However, if you're keying into a spreadsheet, it is preferable to use the regular Assessment Work option to submit your permit information. It is faster and ensures that the correct roll # has been identified. It also allows you to provide the attachment - the permit, the plan, etc. when you're adding the item. Otherwise you'll need to provide the supporting attachments once the spreadsheet has been loaded. Any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:mrmas@goo.mb.ca">mrmas@goo.mb.ca</a> 204-945-2572.

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