

## Washington Property Tax Updates: 'Tis the Season: Deadlines for Administrative Appeals

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Administrative appeal deadlines are fast approaching. This year's general appeal deadline is July 1 for 2014 assessments, which are the basis for 2015 property taxes. A property may have a later appeal deadline only if the county mails a value notice for the property. All counties mail notices when a property's value changes; some, such as King County, mail notices even when there is no change. To guarantee preserving your appeal rights, you can file a protective appeal by July 1 and then withdraw it if you later receive an acceptable assessment. Note also that June 30 is this year's deadline for filing a refund lawsuit for 2013 property taxes paid under protest.

Many sectors are experiencing assessed value increases as the economy recovers. If your commercial property was overassessed in 2013, you will likely wish to appeal this year. Discussing the valuation with the assessor's office may also help.

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