

Public service ad 2006


Ad title:

“Rendering property”

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2 columns (13 picas) wide

*Insert here the name, address,
& telephone number of the local
appraisal district (centered).*



Don't get hit with a penalty! “Render” your taxable property by April 17th.

A “rendition” is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- ☛ You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- ☛ You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- ☛ You can also file a “report of decreased value” to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2005. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2006.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2006 renditions is April 17. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

For more information, stop by your appraisal district and pick up

“Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers'
Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities”

Or contact:

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn
Property Tax Division
P.O. Box 13528
Austin, TX 78711-3528
or call: 1-800-252-9121

or on the Web at:

www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/

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