

Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office

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<u>I purchased propertyafter July 1st, why did I not receive a tax notice in</u> November?

Answer: Property is assessed by the Terrebonne Parish Tax Assessor's Office on July 1st each year. If you purchased property after July 1st, the property may remain in the prior owner's name on the current year tax roll. As the new owner, you are responsible for checking with the Terrebonne Parish Tax Assessor's Office or online to see if any taxes are owed on your property.

All taxes, interest, penalties, or fees owed on a property tax account remain in effect until paid regardless of ownership. Also, the Terrebonne Parish Tax Collector does not pro-rate tax amounts owed between a buyer and seller of property in Terrebonne Parish. Any agreement related to property taxes between the buyer and seller is a private matter and has no effect on any taxes owed to Terrebonne Parish. Therefore, if taxes are owed and were not paid by the <u>prior owner you are responsible for paying the entire tax bill even if you did not own the property the full year.</u>