

CITY STICKER AMNESTY AND DEBT RELIEF

Who needs to buy a City Sticker?

All Chicago residents driving, parking, leasing and/or owning a vehicle for which they are responsible in the City of Chicago are subject to the Chicago Wheel Tax and must purchase a Chicago City Sticker. This includes Chicago residents that maintain their vehicle registration outside of the City of Chicago, but use the vehicle in the City.

We want motorists to avoid costly tickets. You must purchase a Chicago Sticker within 30 days of residing in the City or acquiring a new vehicle to avoid late fees and fines.

What is the City Sticker amnesty and debt relief program?

There are two steps.

Step one: During the month of October, anyone may purchase a City Sticker from the City Clerk without having to pay late fees or back charges.

Step two: Then, anyone that is in compliance with their City Sticker by the end of October will be able to apply online starting November 15, 2019 to have at least three City Vehicle Sticker tickets forgiven. The application period will run from November 15, 2019 through December 15, 2019.

Are parking tickets or other tickets part of this?

No, this program only applies to buying a City Sticker and forgiving City Sticker tickets.

What should I do to take advantage of the City Sticker amnesty and debt forgiveness programs?

First, make sure you are in compliance with your City Sticker by October 31, 2019.

If you don't currently have a City Sticker, make sure to buy one during October. Go to chicityclerk.com or Chicago.gov/citystickerdebtrelief to find out where you can purchase a City Sticker. Beginning October 1, 2019, the Office of the City Clerk will also have a new Reduced Term City Sticker available for purchase to make it easier than ever to make sure you are in compliance.

If you have a valid City Sticker already, just wait until November 15, 2019.

Then, after November 15, 2019, go to Chicago.gov/citystickerdebtrelief to request ticket debt forgiveness. Everyone with a valid City sticker is eligible for forgiveness of at least three City Sticker tickets.

How do I take advantage of no late fees or back charges on City Stickers?

Visit one of the City Clerk or Department of Finance locations listed below, one of the mobile City Halls the Clerk will be hosting during October, or go online during the month of October to buy your City Sticker.

You can go to any of the three Office of the City Clerk locations:

- 1) City Hall, 121 N LaSalle
- 2) North Side Office: 5430 W Gale St
- 3) South Side Office: 5674 S Archer Ave

You can go to any of the Department of Finance locations:

1. South West Payment Center: 4770 S Kedzie
2. North West Payment Center: 4445 N Pulaski
3. South East Payment Center: 2006 E 95th
4. Central Payment Center: 400 W Superior

In addition, you can go to any of the Mobile City Halls the City Clerk will be hosting:

Mobile City Hall Locations:

- Taylor Lauridsen Park 704 W. 42nd St. Wed., October 2 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- George Washington High School 3535 E. 114th St. Sat., October 5 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Broadway Armory 5917 N. Broadway Thur., October 10 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Austin Town Hall Park 5610 W. Lake St. Fri., October 18 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Foster Park 1440 W. 84th St. Sat., October 19 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Douglas Park 1401 S. Thompson Dr. Sat., October 26 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Lastly, you can also take advantage of the program online.

What if I can't afford a full-year City Sticker?

The City Clerk is also offering Reduced Term City Stickers, which will allow you to buy a City Sticker for part of the year and then renew it later in the year. This option means you can pay for a Reduced Term Sticker and be in compliance at a lesser initial cost.

Will my tickets be eligible for forgiveness?

Only City Vehicle Sticker tickets are covered by this program. Anyone who is current on their City Vehicle Sticker may apply to have at least three of their oldest City Sticker tickets forgiven.

How do I know if I am eligible for forgiveness?

If you have a current valid City Sticker by October 31, you will be eligible for forgiveness on past City Vehicle Sticker tickets.

Can I take advantage of debt forgiveness if I don't have a City Sticker by the end of October 2019?

No.

Will the parking ticket I received at the same time as my City Sticker ticket also be forgiven?

No. Debt forgiveness only covers tickets written for failure to have or display a City Sticker.

When will my tickets be forgiven?

Applications will be processed on a weekly basis. You will receive an email informing you that your tickets have been forgiven.

Is this program open to undocumented individuals?

Yes, this program will help anyone who gets into compliance with their City Sticker by October 31, regardless of immigration status.

Can I take advantage of the City Sticker Amnesty at the Currency Exchange?

No, the program will only be available at City Clerk or Department of Finance locations, Mobile City Halls hosted during October and online.

What if I have tickets from other cities in Illinois?

This program will only provide relief for tickets in Chicago related to lack of a City Sticker.