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EZ Dec is a website for filing real property transfer tax declarations. This paper-free solution provides an alternative to:

- City of Chicago Form 7551–Real Property Transfer Tax Declaration
- Cook County Real Property Transfer Declaration
- State of Illinois PTAX 203, 203A and 203B

## Who Can Use EZ Dec?

EZ Dec can be used by Attorneys, Title Companies & Individual Property Buyers and Sellers.

## EZ Dec-A Multi-Agency Partnership

The EZ Dec project is a multi-agency project sponsored and funded by the *City of Chicago's Department of Revenue*, the *Cook County Recorder of Deeds* and the *State of Illinois' Department of Revenue*. It was created to streamline Illinois' real-property transaction process.



## What is changing with EZ Dec?

- Transfer Tax Declaration forms are replaced by the EZ Dec website–www.ezdecillinois.org
- Chicago, Cook County and Illinois transfer tax questions are combined
- PIN information is validated against County assessor data immediately
- Tax and exemption calculations are automatic for all agencies
- Printed declaration forms are no longer required



# What will NOT change?

- All real-estate transfer activities except completing declarations are unchanged
- Real property transfer tax laws and fees apply for Chicago, Cook County and the State of Illinois
- Real Property Transfer Tax stamps are purchased through Title Companies, the Chicago Department of Revenue's City Hall payment processing location (121 N. LaSalle), and the Cook County Recorder of Deeds' Offices
- Deeds are still recorded by the Cook County Recorder of Deeds
- Municipalities other than Chicago will not change their current real estate transfer processes

## **Expanded EZ Dec Availability**

In the future, EZ Dec will become available to all Illinois counties.

#### Where can I go for more information?

Send questions to the EZ Dec team: ezdecproject@cityofchicago.org or call 1-312-74-EZDEC (1-312-743-9332) Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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