



City of Chicago

Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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NEW MPEA Airport Departure Tax Stamps

On September 15, 2015, the City of Chicago will change the process for selling and collecting MPEA Airport Departure Tax Stamps (tax stamps) at both O'Hare and Midway airports. **Current peel and stick tax stamps will no longer be sold or accepted at the airport terminals beginning September 15, 2015.**

Tax stamps must be obtained by using your smart phone or the kiosks located in the airport taxi staging area. The new tax stamp will be represented by a computer-generated, single-use QR code. An Aviation representative will validate the single-use tax stamp with a hand scanner. Airport staff will facilitate an exchange to replace paper tax stamps with the new tax stamps from September 14, through September 18, 2015. There will be no exchanges after September 18th, 2015. Anyone purchasing the new tax stamps must have a valid driver's license with a readable barcode. BACP advises that tax stamps should only be purchased directly from City of Chicago kiosks or through the new mobile app. Tax stamps purchased from other sources may not be valid. The new MPEA airport departure tax stamps may be purchased two different ways:

1.) The Chi MPEA Tax App – a mobile smart phone app

Download the free mobile app (**Chi MPEA Tax App**) onto an iOS or Android mobile device to register for an account using a driver's license and add a credit card as a stored payment method to purchase a minimum of one (1) single-use tax stamp. The cost of the single tax stamp is \$4.00. There are zero processing fees to purchase tax stamps via the mobile app.

2.) City of Chicago Self-Service Kiosks

Tax stamps may also be purchased with cash or credit card at the free-standing, self-service, kiosks located at each airport's taxi staging areas. Minimum kiosk purchase is five (5) tax stamps (total minimum cost is \$20). Tax stamps purchased at the kiosk can be printed and are also immediately available on the mobile app. Any unused tax stamps may be reprinted at the kiosk. Your account is accessible at the kiosk with your driver's license.

For questions about the changing tax stamp process or to set up a corporate account, visit www.chimpeaapp.com or call the Department of Finance's Customer Service Unit at 312-747-4747.

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