

## **Philadelphia Amnesty Begins May 3rd**

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Running a week behind the Commonwealth's tax amnesty, the City of Philadelphia is offering a similar amnesty for city taxes. The city amnesty program will run from May 3rd through June 25th. Like the state, the city offers forgiveness of all penalties and half the interest.

With very limited exceptions, the Philadelphia amnesty will apply to all city-administered taxes, including amusement, parking, real estate, realty transfer, wage and net profits, realty use and occupancy, liquor sales, hotel room rental, business privilege and vehicle rental taxes. The local sales and use tax, administered by the state Department of Revenue, is covered by the Commonwealth's amnesty program.

Delinquencies from February 1, 1986 through June 30, 2009 are eligible. This includes both unfiled and under-reported periods as well as current assessments. Participants in a prior city amnesty program may not participate in the current program. Unlike the state amnesty program, the city program does not offer a limited look-back period for unknown liabilities. Taxpayers currently under audit may request an immediate assessment for part of the audit deficiency, so that they may pay that part under the amnesty program.

Additional details, forms and answers to frequently asked questions may be found online at: [www.phillytaxamnesty.com](http://www.phillytaxamnesty.com).

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