

DON'T FORGET TO PAY VEHICLE TAX!

This leaflet is based on information from the websites of Hokkaido Prefecture and Sapporo City.

REGULAR VEHICLES

Individuals in possession of a vehicle (660cc or more) as of April 1st are required to pay the vehicle tax under the classification of Regular Vehicles. The amount is dependent on engine displacement.

Payment Deadline: June 1st, 2026 (Monday) *Payment slips were mailed out on May 7th.

How to pay: the following 4 payment methods are available.

① Cashless Payment

You can complete the payment procedure by accessing either 1 Regional Tax Payment Site or 2 Hokkaido Vehicle Tax Payment Site from your computer, smartphone, or tablet.

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② Smartphone Apps

You can complete the payment procedure by scanning the barcode or 2D code printed on the payment slip through your preferred payment app on your smartphone or tablet.

③ Cash Payment

You can pay the Regular Vehicle Tax using cash at the following locations:

◆ Financial Institutions, Japan Post Bank, Hokkaido Tax Office Counters ◆ Convenience Stores

④ Automatic Bank Withdrawal*

*If it is your first time registering, automatic withdrawals will start from the next tax year.
To apply, request the registration form from Hokkaido Subprefectural Offices' Request Forms.

Inquiries: Regarding taxes, address change, exemption **011-746-1190**
Regarding automatic bank withdrawal **011-746-1247**



LIGHT VEHICLES

Individuals in possession of a light vehicle, etc.★ as of April 1st are required to pay the Light Vehicle Tax. The amount is dependent on engine displacement.



The **payment deadline**, **payment method**, and **help desk** for Light Vehicle Tax **vary by municipality**. Please inquire at your local government office for details.

★ Light vehicle, etc.: motorcycle, light vehicle, special small motor vehicle, two-wheeled small vehicle

If you **need an interpreter** when making inquiries, please contact the **Hokkaido Foreign Resident Support Center**.

Languages available: Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Thai, Spanish, Indonesian, Burmese, etc.*

*Other languages available through phone interpretation service.



The tax payment slip is mailed to the address as of April 1st on your vehicle inspection certificate (shaken-sho)

If you change your address or name, **you need to update the information on your vehicle inspection certificate** at the local District Transport Bureau.

