



Municipal Excise and Wheel Taxes

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INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Crossing the starting line

- “Eligible municipality” with a population of at least 5,000
- Concurrently adopt an ordinance for wheel tax and excise tax
- Use a TAMP approved by INDOT



Municipal Excise Tax



Municipal Vehicle Excise Tax – IC 6-3.5-10

- On **each** vehicle that is subject to the vehicle excise tax IC 6-6-5:
 - Passenger motor vehicles
 - Motorcycles
 - Motor driven cycles
 - Collector vehicles
 - Trailers with a DGVW of 9,000 lbs or less (except permanent 3,000 lbs trailers)
 - Trucks with a DGVW of 11,000 lbs or less
 - Mini Trucks
 - Military Vehicles



Excise Tax – Imposed on either

- The same amount on each vehicle or
- One or more different amounts based on the class of vehicle



Excise Tax – Specific Amount

- At least \$7.50 and not more than \$25.



Timing

- Ordinance adopted or amended on or before September 1 → vehicles subject to tax if the vehicle is registered after December 31
- Ordinance adopted or amended after September 1 → vehicles subject to tax if the vehicle is registered after December 31, the following year



Reduction/Credit/Adjustment/Refund

- Vehicle acquired / brought into Indiana prior to regular registration date...
- Vehicle disposed of after registration date...
- Owner had a name change resulting in a change of the registration date...

Tax is reduced in the manner provided in IC 6-6-5-7.2 (i.e. it is prorated)

- Owner moves out of state prior to regular registration date...



Municipal Wheel Tax



Municipal Wheel Tax – IC 6-3.5-11

- Vehicles subject to tax:
 - Buses
 - Recreational vehicles (excluding truck campers)
 - Semitrailers
 - Trailers with a DGVW of more than 9,000 lbs
 - Trucks with a DGVW of 16,000 lbs or more
 - Semi-tractors with a DGVW of more than 11,000 lbs
 - Recovery vehicles



Municipal Wheel Tax – IC 6-3.5-11

- Vehicles exempt from to tax:
 - Owned by the state
 - Owned by a state agency
 - Owned by a political subdivision of the state
 - Subject to the municipal vehicle excise tax
 - A bus owned and operated by a religious or nonprofit youth organization and used to transport person to religious services or for the benefit of its members
 - A school bus
 - Funeral equipment that is used in funeral services



Wheel Tax – Amount

- A different rate for each of the classes of vehicles
 - Buses
 - For-hire
 - Not-for-hire
 - Recreational vehicles
 - Semitrailers
 - Trailers with a DGVW of more than 9,000 lbs
 - Trucks and tractors with a DGVW of more than 11,000 lb
- Different rates with the classes based on weight classification



Wheel Tax – Truck Weight Classifications

(including farm trucks, recovery vehicles, and tractors not used in combination with a semitrailer)

- 16,000 (11,001 – 16,000 lbs)
- 26,000 (16,001 – 26,000 lbs)
- 36,000 (26,001 – 36,000 lbs)
- 48,000 (36,001 – 48,000 lbs)
- 66,000 (48,001 – 66,000 lbs)
- 78,000 (66,001 – 78,000 lbs)
- > 78,000 (78,001 and over)



Wheel Tax – Semitractor Weight Classifications

(tractors used in combination with a semitrailer)

- 16,000 (11,001 – 16,000 lbs)
- 26,000 (16,001 – 26,000 lbs)
- 36,000 (26,001 – 36,000 lbs)
- 48,000 (36,001 – 48,000 lbs)
- 66,000 (48,001 – 66,000 lbs)
- 78,000 (66,001 – 78,000 lbs)
- >78,000 (78,001 and over)



Wheel Tax – Trailers Weight Classifications

(including farm trailers 12,000 lbs and over)

- 12,000 (9,001 – 12,000 lbs)
- 16,000 (12,001 – 16,000 lbs)
- 22,000 (16,001 – 22,000 lbs)
- >22,000 (22,001 and over)



Wheel Tax – For-hire Bus Weight Classifications

- 11,000 (1-11,000 lbs)
- 16,000 (11,001 – 16,000 lbs)
- 26,000 (16,001 – 26,000 lbs)
- 36,000 (26,001 – 36,000 lbs)
- 48,000 (36,001 – 48,000 lbs)
- 66,000 (48,001 – 66,000 lbs)
- 78,000 (66,001 – 78,000 lbs)
- >78,000 (78,001 and over)



Wheel Tax – amount

- Not less than \$5 and may not exceed \$40



Credit upon sale

- Sell a vehicle
- Get a credit of the wheel tax
- Applied only against the wheel tax for
- A vehicle purchased
- During the same registration year



Apportioned wheel tax

- International Registration Plan vehicle → pay an apportioned tax
- In-state actual miles / total fee miles during the preceding year



Getting across the finish line

- On or before September 1st
- Indiana Gateway (<https://gateway.ifionline.org>)
- Copy of approved ordinance
- Cover letter - County Excise/Wheel Tax Rate Designation
- INDOT-approved TAMP confirmation letter



Submit this to BMV



Date

Name
Address
Address

RE: Asset Management Plan Approval Letter –

This letter is to confirm that the Asset Management Plan that was submitted by the [County/Muni] to INDOT has been approved. Please feel free to let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Kathy Eaton-McKalip

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December 1, 2024

Carmel _____, Indiana

RE: Approval Letter for 2024 Pavement Asset Management Plan

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for submitting Carmel 's Asset Management Plan. It has been determined that your 2024 Pavement Asset Management Plan has met all the criteria required from the INDOT approved template and is complete.

Use this approval letter for the 2025 (calendar year) Community Crossings Matching Grant Program's application. Please note that you will need to submit your asset management plan each year by December 1st to be eligible for the following year's Community Crossing Matching Grant Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick A. Conner".

Patrick A. Conner, PE
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