

# MASON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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### *After you have filed your taxpayer petition ...*

Before your hearing date you should review the property sales data published by the Assessor's Office (<https://www.masoncountywa.gov/assessor/sales-data.php>) and/or contact the Assessor's Office and make a good-faith attempt to resolve issues. The Assessor's Office is available Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., in-person, or by phone 360-427-9670, Ext. 491.

An assessor's representative will review your petition and may contact you at your daytime phone number. If you are able to reach an agreement on the true and fair value of the property in your discussions with the assessor's representative, you may be offered a form to sign that establishes the new value, withdraws the petition, and no hearing will take place. If you cannot come to an agreement with the assessor's representative, your appeal will proceed to the scheduled hearing with the Board of Equalization.

**If you intend to submit additional documentary evidence supporting your request for a change in value, please do so as soon as possible, but *at least 21 business days prior to the hearing*. Send to:**

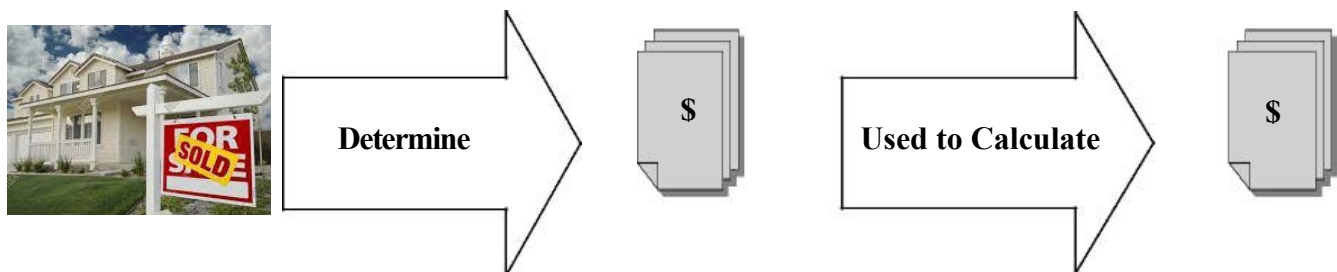
- 1) Mason County Board of Equalization - At the address listed above or Email: [BOEClerk@masoncountywa.gov](mailto:BOEClerk@masoncountywa.gov) and
- 2) Mason County Assessor - PO Box J, Shelton, WA 98584 or Email: [IJensen@masoncountywa.gov](mailto:IJensen@masoncountywa.gov)

**Adjusted market sales of comparable properties closest to the January 1, 2024 valuation date are most convincing. Real estate listings as well as neighboring assessments are irrelevant.**

The appeal process may take up to 5 - 12 months depending on when you file your appeal and the total number of appeals filed.

## ASSESSED VALUE AND SUBSEQUENT TAX

The assessor's staff analyzes all sales occurring within the county on an annual basis. This analysis leads to setting the assessed value as of January 1 of each year. This assessed value is used to calculate taxes payable in the following year. Tax year follows assessment year.



**Market Sales  
In 2023**

**Assessed Value  
As of January 1, 2024**

**Taxes Payable  
In 2025**