Highlights of the 2019 Designated Industrial Property Tax Requisition

In 2019, the province is requisitioning about $13.5 million in Designated Industrial (DI) property taxes from designated industrial property owners, through a separate tax rate applied to every DI Property owner’s municipal tax notice.

How is the Designated Industrial property tax rate/requisition determined?

The DI Property uniform tax rate is determined by dividing the costs incurred by the provincial assessor’s office to prepare the assessment by the total provincial DI property assessment, which includes linear property assessment.

This uniform tax rate is then applied as a separate line item to each DI Property owner’s tax bill by each municipality.

The 2019 DI property uniform tax rate is $0.0786 per $1,000 of DI property assessment.

Example: \[
\frac{(25,000,000 \times 0.0786)}{1,000} = 1,965
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Payment of DI Property Requisition by Municipalities

Municipalities collect DI property taxes from DI property owners, (including Linear Property), to pay the requisitions. Municipalities are required to remit payment of the requisition to the provincial assessor thirty (30) days after the due date for municipal taxes. This includes amounts resulting from amendments/revisions or supplementary assessments.

How are over/under payments handled?

If the DI property assessments change as a result of amendments/revisions to the DI property assessments and this results in an over or under payment scenario, an adjustment will be made to the following year’s requisition payable by the municipality. It is imperative that the uniform rate set by Minister is the rate applied; **do not** change this rate.

How is Machinery and Equipment exempted from taxation handled?

Only taxable DI property is subject to the requisition. If machinery and equipment has been exempted from taxation under Section 364(1.1) of the *Municipal Government Act* it is not subject to the DI Property Requisition Tax Rate.

Does the DI requisition apply to GIPOT Properties?

GIPOT properties are not subject to the requisition tax rate.

How are uncollectable requisitions being handled such as bankruptcies or receiverships?

The Designated Industrial Property Credit (DIRC) outlines the procedures related to uncollectables. The DIRC policy is located on the following ministry website link [http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/centralized-industrial-assessment](http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/centralized-industrial-assessment)

Small Balance Requisitions

If the total requisition payable by a municipality is less than $50.00, the DI tax rate must still be applied to DI property owner’s tax bills, but there will be no requirement to remit it to the province.
Where to send DI Property Requisition payments?

Payment should be made payable to:
The Government of Alberta
Mailed to:
The Provincial Assessors Office
Attention: Ken Anderson
Manager, Finance & Administration
Assessment Services Branch
15th Floor, 10155-102 Street
Edmonton, AB T5J-4L4