

San Jacinto County Appraisal District Reminds Businesses to Render their Taxable Property by April 15

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce an income, you must file a rendition with the San Jacinto County Appraisal District by April 15.

A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. Property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.

"The appraisal district may use the information submitted in the rendition to assess your property values," says Chief Appraiser Sherri Schell.

You can also file a report of decreased value to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of your property. "For example, if your property was damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year, you should file a report of decreased value. The appraisal district will look at your property before assigning a value," says Schell.

The last day to file a rendition or report of decreased value is April 15th. A 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed if a rendition is filed late, incomplete or not at all. Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request with the Chief Appraiser on or before April 15th to receive an automatic extension to May 15th or the next business day. The Chief Appraiser may also grant an additional 15 days after the postponed deadline with good cause, if necessary.

For more information about rendering property, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may contact the San Jacinto County Appraisal District located at 99 Slade Street Coldspring, Texas 77331, by phone at 936-653-1450 or on our website: www.sjcad.org. Information is also available at from the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at www.comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/.