

## Online Access to Municipal Tax Information and Betterment Charges

Service Nova Scotia is partnering with municipalities across the province to provide Property Online users with quick access to municipal tax information and betterment charges (improvements such as sidewalks, roadways, water lines etc.). Through the Municipal Tax Query function, users may obtain up-to-date status on outstanding balances and can request a tax certificate. This information is required each time a property is sold, mortgaged or subdivided.

The Municipal Tax Query function eliminates the requirement for users to contact the municipality separately to obtain this information, speeding up the property transaction process and reducing costs to municipalities. Municipalities can opt to limit online access to lawyers who subscribe to Property Online and are authorized by the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society to work in the new land registration system.

The service is currently available through the Province's partnership with the following municipalities:

- District of Argyle
- District of Barrington
- Town of Bridgewater
- District of Clare (restricted access)
- County of Colchester
- County of Cumberland
- District of Digby
- Town of Parrsboro
- Town of Truro
- Municipality of the District of Yarmouth
- Town of Yarmouth
- Victoria County
- Richmond County
- District of Guysborough

Coming soon:

- Town of Amherst
- Town of Bridgetown (restricted access)
- Cape Breton Regional Municipality
- Town of Trenton

***The Province pays for the costs associated with creating the link and is offering this service to each municipal unit. If you are interested in having this service in your area, contact your municipal administrator or call the Property Online Help Desk at 1-866-518-4640.***