

Applying Payments to Paid-in Full Tax Bills in Pontem<sup>®</sup> Tax Administration and Tax Receipting

#### INTRODUCTION

Clients utilizing Pontem's **Post E-Payments** tool (found in **Tax Bills and Collections**) frequently report receiving double payments for a tax bill. This often happens when the escrow company and property owner pays the same bill.

Pontem Software users can configure their software so the **Post E-Payments** tool can apply a second payment to a paid-in-full bill so that it is treated as an overpayment. The payment will appear as a refund on the 'Tax Receipt Application' and 'Overpayment' reports.

This functionality is also available in the **Pay Bill Tax Bill** and **Start Pay List** processes that are located in **Tax Bills and Collections**. This Help Document will explain how to apply payments to Paid-In-Full Tax Bills within your Pontem Software.

### STEP ONE: Configuring 'System Preferences'

To Edit System Preferences in Pontem Tax Administration (TA), click on "Edit' on the Menu Bar located in the upper-left corner of your screen;. A drop-down menu will now appear.

- Next, click on 'Adjust System Preferences.'
- Double-click on the folder names 'TR Configuration' or 'TA configuration.'
- Select the sub-folder named 'Tax Bills' which will open the 'Tax Bills and Collections Workspace' screen:

System Preferences		x
Category    Category    Category    Category    Category     Category      Category	Tax Bills and Collections Workspace         Image: Always prompt for Detail on Pay Tax Bill         Image: Track Bankruptcies         Payment Prefix         E         C Payments on Linnaid Rills Only	
Authorities     Disburse To     District Codes     Intermediate Schoo     Message Types     Note Categories     MITT Interest Table     Prop Classes	Number of Payment Receipts     Allow     Max Source and Source a	
Schools  Tax Roll Types  Tax Units  TIFA Districts  Unit Schools  Villages  Villages  Village		
	OK Apply Cancel	J



- Now, **select** the configuration to 'Allow Overpayment on Paid in Full Bills' by clicking on this option.
- Click **OK** to save the new configuration.

Once this configuration has been set, your Pontem software will allow an additional payment to be applied to a paid-in-full tax bill.

Tax Receipt Distribution		×
Tax Bill Receipt ======		Levy Distribution
Parcel Nbr: 80-13-001-001-00 Tax Period: W12	Owner: FLEETWOOD GERALDINE Address: 48TH AVE	
Admin Fee: \$0.00 Penalty: \$0.00	Total Base Tax Pay:	\$0.00
Interest: \$0.00	Re Calc Admin, P &	\$0.00
	Pay In Full Total Payment:	\$0.00
Tax+Admin Due is: Tax+Admin After:	Other Payment:	\$0.00
\$0.00 \$0.00	Amount Received:	\$915.40
Under Counter Refund	Over/Under Amount:	\$915.40
Summary Payment Date: Accounting Date: 06/25/2013 06/25/2013 1 Tax Bill:	Payment Method: Tota CSHD - CASH DRAWER Check Numbers: Che > 2345	al Cash: <u> \$0.00</u> ck(s) Amount: \$915.40
Bill Payments: \$0.00	Payer's Name and Address:	
Total Received: \$915.40	47315 48TH AVE LAWRENCE MI 49064	
Over\Under: \$0.00 Change\Refund: \$915.40	Receipt Comments:	
Back to List	< Prior Receipt Next Receipt >>	Post Payment

# STEP TWO: Obtaining a Report of Bills Requiring a Refund

To obtain a complete report of bills requiring a refund, **select** the **'Overpayment Report'** found under the report category named 'Transactions.'



## Technical Support...

If you require additional assistance in applying overpayments to paid-in-full tax bills in your Pontem software please don't hesitate to contact a member of our Support Team. Our goal is to help you get the most out of your Pontem Software investment. We would be happy to help.

### Pontem Help Desk

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