

QUICK FACTS:

WHAT IS A 'PARCEL ID NUMBER'?

This 16 digit number uniquely identifies every piece of property within the county for tax purposes. The parcel id number is broken down as follows:
Example: 16-09-31-3-004-019.003

- **16:** Locator - this number is derived from the township and range of the property. The legend located on every tax map will depict this grid of locator numbers.
- **09:** Area - this number refers the '4 section area' the property is located inside of. See the legend on the map for details.
- **31:** Section - this is the section number
- **3:** Quarter-Section - this identifies the quarter section (i.e. NE1/4=1, NW1/4=2, SW1/4=3, SE1/4=4)
- **004:** Block - some maps are broken down into blocks because of the number of parcels per map, this number identifies which block on the map
- **019.003:** Parcel and sub-parcel - this is the number found on the map.

WHAT IS A TAX MAP?

A tax map is used to identify ownership of each parcel of land in the county. These drawings are representations of geographical features, property lines, and parcel identification numbers. Although tax maps are for tax purposes only and cannot be used for conveyance, these maps have proven to be very helpful to taxpayers for many reasons.

WHEN ARE TAX MAPS UPDATED?

Continuously. Changes are received by the Mapping Department daily. These changes usually result from deeds being assessed in the Appraisal Department and/or recorded in the Probate Office. Other updates come from newly recorded subdivision plats, right-of-way surveys, etc. These changes will not be reflected on the public website however, they may be obtained in the Mapping and Appraisal office.

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QUICK TIPS:



← Click this for Property Record Card

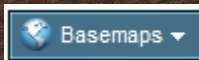


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CLARKE COUNTY
ALABAMA

REVENUE COMMISSION

DELINQUENT TAX SALE



Revenue Commissioner

Terry L. Norris



*The Revenue Commissioner's Office is
responsible for mapping, appraising and
assessing each parcel of land and then
collecting taxes based upon each parcel's
assessed value.*



PROPERTY TAX

Property tax (an ad valorem tax) is a tax levied on all real and personal property within Alabama. All property must be assessed annually with taxes paid, between October 1 and December 31, in the county where the property is located.

Timetable for Property Taxes

October 1	Taxes due
January 1	Taxes delinquent
February	Turned over to Probate
March 1	Probate Court meets
April	Advertised for Sale
May (*2 nd Tuesday)	Tax Sale

TAX SALE

Tax Sales are held annually (*usually 2nd Tuesday in May) for all unpaid property taxes.

This information will be advertised in the *Clarke County Democrat* for three weeks prior to sale date.

For more information regarding the tax sale contact the Collections Office.



THE SALE

WHAT IS A TAX SALE?

According to *Title 40, Chapter 10, of The Code of Alabama-1975*, a sale of delinquent tax occurs when tax remains unpaid after the collection official has:

- Mailed a Delinquent tax bill on January 1st
- Notified the taxpayer via *certified mail* by the last day of February
- Advertised the property in the *Clarke County Democrat* for three (3) consecutive weeks at least thirty days prior to the sale.

The Sale occurs at the Clarke County Courthouse in an appointed courtroom to be named prior to the sale, and is administered by the County Attorney.

Available properties may be viewed prior to the sale by visiting

THE SALE

In order to participate in a tax sale, participants must:

- Register in the Collections office and receive a bidder number and paddle starting *two (2) hours* prior to sale
- Satisfy all questions regarding property or properties interest prior to the sale
- Have an approved method of payment:
 - Cash and Cashier's Check, or
 - Personal check *with* accompanying letter of credit from institution check to be drawn on



AFTER THE SALE

CONFIRMATION OF SALE

Once a property has been successfully bid upon and payment is received, purchaser or assignee is named the owner of said property and is responsible for all upcoming taxes due. However, if within ten (10) days of the Tax Sale, the original owner chooses to redeem the property, all monies paid will be refunded and ownership relinquished back to the original taxpayer.

If after three years from the Tax Sale the property has not been redeemed, purchaser may visit the office of the Probate and obtain a Tax Deed giving them complete ownership of said property.

PLEASE NOTE:

Any prospective tax sale participant or purchaser should research this entire process and procedure, as well as any property included, prior to submitting any bid. A suggested source for research is *The Code of Alabama—1975*, specifically *Title 40 Chapter 10*, entitled, *Sale of Land*. Portions of the *Code* and cites included herein for convenience only.

Any information obtained from staff or sales official(s) is considered reliable but is **not** guaranteed and is **not** intended to substitute for **the services of a competent professional**.