

# 2026 PROPERTY TAXES & UTILITIES

**PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS AND UTILITY  
PAYMENTS ARE DUE JULY 2, 2026**

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**Property tax payments, annual utility payments and the Home Owner Grant (HOG) applications must be received on or before July 2, 2026 to avoid a 10 per cent late penalty.**

## HOW TO PAY

- ▶ We accept cash, debit or cheque.
- ▶ Mailed payments must be received on or before **July 2, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.**
- ▶ Postmarks will not be considered the date of payment.
- ▶ Your financial institution can pay your taxes on your behalf if you have an arrangement through your mortgage agreement.
- ▶ You will still need to submit a completed HOG application online to the Province. See the reverse page for more info.

## ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

A fast and easy way to make payments is electronically through online banking:

- ▶ Payee = District of Elkford, Elkford Taxes or Elkford Utilities.
- ▶ Account: Roll number on your property tax notice (starts with **517**) with no decimals or spaces.
- ▶ Need a receipt for your online payment? Call us at **250.865.4000** to request one (pick up or receive via email).
- ▶ Credit card and debit payments can be made through a third party company called **OptionPay**. Please note this company charges service fees for credit cards and a minimum \$2 fee for processing debit card payments. Please allow 2 to 5 business days to process. Learn more at [www.elkford.ca/taxes](http://www.elkford.ca/taxes).

**Need assistance? Call us—we are happy to help!**

## CONTACT US

Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
From June 15 to July 2, 2026: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- ▶ Phone: **250.865.4000**
- ▶ Email: [finance@elkford.ca](mailto:finance@elkford.ca)
- ▶ Mailing Address: **P.O. Box 340, 744 Fording Drive, Elkford, B.C. V0B 1H0**



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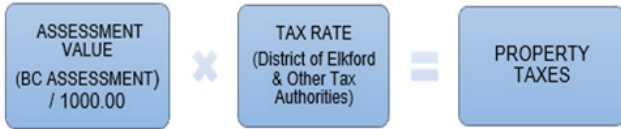
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# TAX CALCULATIONS

In 2026, the average single family home was assessed at \$393,889 (2025 = \$371,495). There has been an average tax increase of \$249 and a utility increase of \$54.



## PROVINCIAL PROGRAMS

### HOMEOWNER GRANTS

As of 2021, the Province of British Columbia took over full administration of the Home Owner Grant (HOG) program, and local government offices are no longer accepting and processing HOGs.

Eligible taxpayers must apply for their HOG through the province every year, and the deadline is July 2, 2026 to avoid the 10 per cent penalty. Note that you are not required to make a payment in order to claim your HOG.

To claim your HOG, or for more info on eligibility and detailed instructions on how to claim, visit their website at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or call 1.888.355.2700 to speak to a live agent (Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or use their voice recognition application 24/7.

### TAX DEFERMENT

Tax deferment is a low-interest loan program that helps qualified B.C. home owners pay their annual property taxes on their principal residence.

There are two tax deferment programs you may qualify for:

- ▶ Regular program (55 or older during current year, a surviving spouse of any age or a person with disabilities).
- ▶ Families with children program (if you are a parent, stepparent or financially supporting a child).

Learn more: [www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/defer-taxes](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/defer-taxes)

# 2026 TAX BREAKDOWN

2026 residential tax breakdown—based on an average \$393,889 assessed home prior to any Home Owner Grants.

Along with the municipal taxes collected, the District of Elkford also collects taxes for School, Police, Regional District, Regional Hospital, Elk Valley Waste Management, BC Assessment and the Municipal Finance Authority. Council has no control over these rates and the impact on Elkford taxpayers.

The total residential tax rate is \$8.58856 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

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POOL	132
PARKS & TRAIL	59
SKI HILL	10
GOLF COURSE	4
LIBRARY	20
DEBT	149
RESERVES - CAPITAL PROJECTS	320
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,220.00</b>
<b>SUMMARY OF AVG TAX BILL</b>	<b>Annual</b>
TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAXES	2,220
PARCEL TAXES	300
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAXES (ONLY PORTION WE CONTROL)</b>	<b>2,520.00</b>
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF EAST KOOTENAY (RDEK)	37
RDEK: ELK VALLEY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	142
SCHOOL DISTRICT #5	648
POLICE TAX	99
REGIONAL HOSPITAL	173
BC ASSESSMENT	15
<b>TOTAL 2026 ESTIMATED AVERAGE TAXES</b>	<b>3,684.00</b>



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