

RATING AND VALUATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Assessment Rate



Assessment is tax levied on rateable holdings located within the Bintulu Development Authority designated area such as:-

- Residential houses, eg: flats, bungalow, low cost housing etc.
- Commercial property eg: shophouses, shopping complex, hotels, petrol station, etc.
- Industrial property eg: warehouse, factories, industrial plant etc
- Vacant land

Assessment rate is used:

- To develop and maintain public amenities like community halls, public toilets, bus stops, children's playgrounds and recreation areas, market, swimming pool, public cemeteries, oxidation ponds, libraries and etc.
- To carry out services such as scavenging, street sweeping, drain cleaning, grass cutting, refuse disposal work in residential, commercial and industrial areas.
- To provide and maintain public road
- To undertake town landscaping and beautification
- To undertake vector and disease control, poor burial and also dog catching

Due dates for Payment

Rates for period	Due dates
Jan-Dec of the year (yearly bill)	30th June of the year
Jan-June of the year (1st 1/2 year bill)	30th June of the year
July-Dec of the year(2nd 1/2 year bill)	30th Nov of the year

- Payment can be made by cash at any SBBS Counter in Bintulu
- Payment also can be made either by cheque or money order to BDA

Late Payment

- A default fee of 1% per month on late payment
- A notice(Form C) will be issued and payment must be made within 15 days from the date of such notice
- Legal action will be taken and all cost will be considered as part of the overdue amount
- Lodge caveat on the default holding to restrain dealing

Rate Rebate

- Rebate is available for the building or holding which remains unoccupied for a period not less than three consecutive months and application for rebate must be made in writing to BDA within 14 days of the commencement for which the rebate claimed.
- Whoever applied for the rebate must prove to the satisfaction on the Authority that:
 - Such building is in good repair and fit for occupation
 - Every reasonable effort to obtain a tenant has been made
 - The building haas been vacant during the whole period for which the rebate is claimed.

Transfer of Ownership

- It is the duty of both seller and purchaser of rateable holding to notify BDA if the holdings is sold or transferred to any parties within 3 months after such sales or transfer
- The instrument effecting the change of ownership such as memorandum of Transfer should be attached with Form "F" to BDA for record purpose. **Form "F"** can be obtained from the Rating & Valuation Section
- Failing to give such notice is an offence, that is liable to penalty of two thousand ringgit **(RM2,000.00)**
- Make sure all outstanding rates are settled before transferring the property.

Objection to the Valuation list

Any person aggrieved by New Valuation list and amendment to Valuation List may object to the Local Authority in writing.

Objection to ;

- New Valuation List must be made at anytime not less than 14 days before the time fixed for the revision of the Valuation List
- Amendment to Valuation List must be made not less than 10 days before the time fixed on the notice (informing the amendment)

Grounds of objection are :

- Holding valued beyond its rateable value
- Holding valued is not rateable
- Holding which ought to be included in the valuation list is omitted therefrom
- Holding or holdings which have been jointly or separately value ought to be valued otherwise