

Worcester County Excess Proceeds from Tax Sale

Worcester County retains any bid amounts in excess of the liens and other deductions from a County tax sale after foreclosure. The former owner of the property may be entitled to the balance of these funds.

1. If you are the former owner of a property with excess proceeds and want to obtain the balance of purchase, please provide a photo identification (driver's license, military identification, or passport), the deed of purchase, and an affidavit that is dated, signed by you and notarized stating the following:
 - you are the former owner,
 - you, agree to indemnify the County, and agents, from all claims, related to the County releasing these funds to you, and
 - you, agree to release, the County, and its agents, from all liability related to the County releasing these funds to you.

If there more than one person owned the property, then you must submit the same documents for each of the former owners and attest to their ownership percentage, if applicable. If one of multiple former owners is deceased, you must also submit a death certificate; depending on the date of death and their interest in the property, an estate may need to be opened.

2. If the sole former owner or all former owners are deceased an estate must be opened for each owner <http://registers.maryland.gov/main/publications/hints.html>. You must submit:
 - Letter of administration from the estate and a photo identification (driver's license, military identification, or passport).
 - Affidavit that is dated, signed by you and notarized stating
 - You agree to indemnify the County and its agents from all claims related to the County releasing these funds to you, and
 - You agree to release the County and its agents from all liability related to the County releasing these funds to you
- W-9's will be required prior to disbursal <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>
 - County offices will not notarize owner affidavits.
 - Please bring/mail the original, not copies, faxes, or scans.

Worcester County Treasurer
1 West Market Street Room 1105
Attn: Tax Sale Dept.
Snow Hill, MD 21863