

John Q Public
123 N Pleasant St
Badger, WI 53111

Request to View Property Notice

Dear Mr. Public:

The Assessment Office of the Town of Badger is reviewing property characteristics to develop fair and current values for the purpose of property tax assessment. This process ensures all property is taxed fairly.

This notice is an official request to view the interior of your residence so we can properly assess your property. The viewing will take approximately 30 minutes. Please contact us at (insert preferred contact information) with your consent or refusal to allow an interior visual inspection of your residence.

To schedule an appointment:

- Please contact us at (insert preferred contact information), before March 20, 2018
- Our regular office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Available appointment times:
 - Thursday, March 23 between 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
 - Friday, March 24 between 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
 - Saturday, March 25 between 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Section 70.32 of the Wisconsin Statutes states, the value of real property should be based on “actual view.” If an assessor is not allowed access to view a property, property value is based on “the best information that the assessor can practicably obtain ...” This means an assessor must estimate the value of property using the information they have available to them.

To ensure receiving a complete and accurate valuation, it benefits the homeowner to provide interior viewing access of their residence. For the purposes of valuation if access is denied, the assessor will then base the valuation on the next best information available. However, if facts exist making an interior view necessary to complete an accurate valuation, the assessor may seek a special inspection warrant per section 66.0119 of the Wisconsin Statutes to view the interior of the home.

Section 70.05(4n) of the Wisconsin statutes requires the following notice:

You have the right to refuse entry into your residence pursuant to section 70.05(4m) of the Wisconsin statutes. Entry to view your property is prohibited unless voluntarily authorized by you. Pursuant to section 70.05(4m) of the Wisconsin statutes, you have the right to refuse a visual inspection of the interior of your residence and your refusal to allow an interior inspection of your residence will not be used as the sole reason for increasing your property tax assessment. Refusing entry to your residence also does not prohibit you from objecting to your assessment pursuant to section 70.47(7) of the Wisconsin statutes.

If you have any questions, please contact us (insert preferred contact information).

Sincerely,

Chief Assessor
Town of Badger