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**Declare Now**  
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Dear

Because you own property in an area where the speculation and vacancy tax (SVT) applies, you will need to complete a declaration for the 2023 tax year by March 31, 2024. If your property has more than one owner, a letter will be sent to each owner, and a separate declaration must be made for each owner, even if the owners are spouses.

To claim your exemption, or to determine the amount of tax you owe for the 2023 tax year, you will need to follow the process below to make a declaration.

**1. GET READY - You will need:**

- Declaration Code
- Letter ID: L0337983424
- Property address: 3695
- For individuals: your Social Insurance Number (SIN) and date of birth
- For corporations: the Business Number, incorporation number, date of incorporation, corporate interest holder's names, SIN(s), and date of birth.

When completing a declaration for a deceased owner, the executor or the administrator of the estate will require the deceased's SIN, date of birth and date of death. If the deceased owner held the property in joint-tenancy ownership, contact us.

**2. DECLARE:**

- For more information and to declare online at [gov.bc.ca/spectax](http://gov.bc.ca/spectax)
- Individuals may also declare by calling toll-free at 1-833-554-2323, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. PST, Monday to Friday. Translation services are available.

An assessment of tax due must be paid by the due date. A 10% penalty, as well as interest, applies to any unpaid tax after the due date.

If you do not declare by March 31, 2024, you will receive a tax notice and may be taxed up to 2% of your property's assessed value.

Reminder: This tax is not the same as the City of Vancouver's empty homes and the Government of Canada's underused housing tax.

You may also be asked for other information depending on your situation.

Regards,

Speculation and Vacancy Tax  
Property Taxation Branch

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