

Acceptance of Credit Card Payments by Counties

10/3/2005

County	Credit Card Payments	Services/Taxes	Charge Fee	Amount
Abbeville				
Aiken	Yes	Real and personal property taxes	n/a	
Allendale	No			
Anderson				
Bamberg	No			
Barnwell	Yes	Airport fuel only	No	
Beaufort				
Berkeley	Yes	Real and personal property taxes	Yes	The provider of the service charges a convenience fee, but this is retained by the provider. The county only receives the taxes due.
Calhoun	No			
Charleston				
Cherokee	Yes	Taxes	No	
Chester	No			
Chesterfield				
Clarendon	Yes	Taxes	No	
Colleton	Yes	Taxes	Yes	2.5% of amount paid
Darlington	Yes	Taxes	Yes	EDS Pay charges the customer between 3% and 4%, depending on the amount paid.
Dillon	No			
Dorchester	Yes	Real and personal property taxes	Yes	2.75% of amount paid for payments less than \$10,000; 2.5% for payments over \$10,000.
Edgefield	Yes	Real and personal property taxes	Yes	The provider of the service receives a fee based on the amount of taxes being paid. We only accept credit card payments through the internet.
Fairfield	No			
Florence	Yes	Property and vehicle taxes; registration for recreation programs; reservations for county parks; planning department fees (plan reviews, subdivision review fees, zoning/rezoning application fees, etc.; building inspection fees	Yes	A third party handles all transactions related to the payment of property and vehicle taxes, and they charge a 1.83% convenience fee. Florence County does not receive any part of this fee. Florence County pays the convenience fee for all other services, and the citizen is not charged.
Georgetown				
Greenville				
Greenwood	No			
Hampton	No			
Horry				
Jasper				
Kershaw	Yes	Starting in October - on-line tax payments	Yes	It is with PayPal, and it will be passed on to the taxpayer (1-2%). If we accept over-the-counter, the county will pick up the fees.
Lancaster				
Laurens	Yes	Property taxes, fees in Bldg Codes office	No	
Lee				

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Lexington	Yes	Real and personal property taxes	Yes	2.5% of amount paid
Marion	No			
Marlboro	No			
McCormick	No			
Newberry	Yes	Taxes	n/a	n/a
Oconee	No			
Orangeburg	Yes	Current property taxes only	Yes	3% of amount paid
Pickens				
Richland				
Saluda	No			
Spartanburg				
Sumter	No			
Union				
Williamsburg				
York	Yes	Online transactions for taxes, water and sewer payments, and building permits	Yes	The fee is the transaction fee charged by PayPal.
Total: 30	Yes: 16; No: 14	Taxes only: 12 counties	Yes: 10; No: 4	The majority use a third party provider where the convenience fee generally runs between 1% to 4% of the amount paid, which is paid by the citizen and goes directly to the third-party provider.