Insufficient Funds Checks / Returned Checks

Any check which is returned to the office having not been honored by the payer’s bank, will be subject to the statutory penalty as outlined in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 60, § 57A. The Penalty is 1% of the face value of the check with a minimum charge of $25.00.

If your check is returned to us, we will not redeposit it until we have collected the $25 penalty charge. If the penalty is not paid, we will charge back the payment to the appropriate account (taxes, excise, etc).

If the insufficient funds check was in payment of a tax bill, and if payment due date has passed, interest and all other applicable fees will be charged to the account.

The Department for which the check was originally intended will be notified of the Insufficient Funds relating to the service they provided.