

2. CASH HANDLING PROCEDURES POLICY

POLICY

It is the policy of Scott County to properly account for all funds received or collected by county offices and departments for fees, taxes, fines, costs, etc. It is recognized that there is an administrative cost to processing refunds and correcting accounting entries when over payments have been received. It is the policy of Scott County to allow County Departments to retain nominal excess payments of less than \$5.00, unless the payor has requested a refund of the overpayment to avoid further administrative costs.

SCOPE

This policy is applicable to all county offices and departments.

TECHNICAL ACCOUNTING ASSISTANCE

Request for assistance in establishing or enhancing departments' internal accounting systems should be made to the Finance Review Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

1. All monies received or collected should be accounted for and balanced daily.
2. Daily deposits to the County Treasurer or appropriate financial institution as allowed by law and/or Board policy, should be made whenever cash on hand exceeds \$250. This amount may be extended to \$1,000 if a safe is used. In all cases deposits should be made at least once a week.
3. Bank reconciliation's should be performed by someone other than the person collecting or receiving said funds.
4. The use of I.O.U.'s is strictly prohibited.
5. All checks received should be restrictively endorsed when received.

6. The County Auditor may make unannounced cash counts of funds on hand throughout the fiscal year.
7. All nominal excess payments of less than \$5.00 retained by County Departments shall be accounted for in a separate departmental General Ledger revenue account so designated "Nominal Excess Payments".