



ORIGINAL APPLICATION FOR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION

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_____ County, Florida
 New _____ Change _____ Additional _____
 Applicant/co-applicant name and address

Tax year _____
 Property identification number _____

Legal description:

Applicant Social Security number _____
 Co-Applicant Social Security number _____

NOTE: Disclosure of your social security number is mandatory. It is required by section 196.011 (1), Florida Statutes. The social security number will be used to verify taxpayer identity information and homestead exemption information submitted to property appraisers.

Marital status Single Married
 Widow Divorced Widower
 Did you file tax exemptions last year? Yes No
 Where _____
 If no, your last year's address _____

Permanent Florida residency required as of January 1

- Homestead exemption up to \$50,000¹.....
- \$500 Widow's exemption
- \$500 Widower's exemption
- \$500 Disability exemption
- \$500 Blind persons exemption.....
- \$5000 Disabled Veteran
- Total and permanent disability exemption -
quadriplegics²
- Service connected total and permanent
disability exemption²
- Exemption for disabled veterans confined
to wheelchairs²
- Total and permanent disability
exemption²

¹To apply for an additional homestead exemption enacted by local ordinance for persons age 65 and older you must file form DR-501SC. You must either receive, or apply for, the regular homestead to get this additional homestead exemption. If you have already received regular homestead exemption, you do not need to file another form DR-501.

²Documentation required

Ownership information

Percent of ownership _____ Type of deed _____
 Recorded: Book _____ Page _____
 Date recorded _____ Date of deed _____

Proof of residence for all owners	Owner	Spouse	Other owner
Address of each owner not residing on property			
Date you last became a permanent resident of Florida			
Date of occupancy			
Florida driver license number	(Date)	(Date)	(Date)
Florida vehicle tag number			
Florida voter registration number (if U.S. citizen)	(Date)	(Date)	(Date)
Immigration number (alien card - if not a U.S. citizen)	(Date)	(Date)	(Date)
Declaration of domicile	Res. date	Res. date	Res. date
Date of birth			
Current employer			
Address listed on your last IRS return			

I authorize this agency to obtain information to determine my eligibility for the exemptions applied for. I qualify for these exemptions under Florida Statutes. I am a permanent resident of the State of Florida and I own and occupy the property above. I understand that under section 196.131(2), Florida Statutes, any person who knowingly gives false information to claim homestead exemption is guilty of a first-degree misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment up to 1 year, a fine up to \$5,000, or both. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing application and that the facts stated in it are true.

NOTE: If all information is not received by March 1st, your application will be processed for whatever exemptions you qualify for on that date.

Signature of applicant	Signature of co-applicant	Signature of deputy
Date	Phone number	Entered by

This application must be filed with the property appraiser by March 1.

The information contained in this application will be provided to the Department of Revenue and the Department and/or the property appraisers are authorized to provide this information to any state in which the applicant has previously resided, pursuant to 196.121, Florida Statutes. Social Security Numbers will remain confidential pursuant to sections 193.114(5) and 193.074, Florida Statutes.

Notice: A tax lien can be imposed on your property.

Section 196.161 (1) provides:

(1) (a) "When the estate of any person is being probated or administered in another state under an allegation that such person was a resident of that state and the estate of such person contains real property situate in this state upon which homestead exemption has been allowed pursuant to s. 196.031 for any year or years within 10 years immediately prior to the death of the deceased, then within 3 years after the death of such person the property appraiser of the county where the real property is located shall, upon knowledge of such fact, record a notice of tax lien against the property among the public records of that county, and the property shall be subject to the payment of all taxes exempt thereunder, a penalty of 50 percent of the unpaid taxes for each year, plus 15 percent interest per year, unless the circuit court having jurisdiction over the ancillary administration in this state, determines that the decedent was a permanent resident of this state during the year or years an exemption was allowed, whereupon the lien shall not be filed or, if filed, shall be canceled of record by the property appraiser of the county where the real estate is located. (b) In addition, upon determination by the property appraiser that for any year or years within the prior 10 years a person who was not entitled to a homestead exemption was granted a homestead exemption from ad valorem taxes, it shall be the duty of the property appraiser making such determination to serve upon the owner a notice of intent to record in the public records of the county a notice of tax lien against any property owned by that person in the county, and such property shall be identified in the notice of tax lien. Such property which is situated in this state shall be subject to the taxes exempted thereby, plus a penalty of 50 percent of the unpaid taxes for each year and 15 percent interest per annum. However, if a homestead exemption is improperly granted as a result of a clerical mistake or omission by the property appraiser, the person improperly receiving the exemption shall not be assessed penalty and interest. Before any such lien may be filed, the owner so notified must be given 30 days to pay the taxes, penalties, and interest.

Homestead Form Mailing Instructions

You must own and reside on the property prior to January 1. Your application for Homestead Exemption must be filed by March 1. For applications filed by mail, the date of the postmark is the date of filing, and must be no later than March 1.

- Fill out the application completely for all property owners and spouse(s). Note: Beginning with the 2001 Assessment Roll, you must provide the Social Security number of each property owner AND their spouse, regardless of whether they reside on the property.
- Include a photocopy of your driver license(s) for each applicant. If you do not drive, include a photocopy of your Florida I.D. Card, issued by the Florida Driver License Office.
- If not US citizen, we need photocopy, front, and back, of permanent alien card for each applicant.

Under Florida law, failure to file homestead exemption by March 1 constitutes a waiver of the exemption privilege for the year.

*If you purchased a new home **after January 1** and you are a resident of Marion County, you may qualify for a savings on your next year's tax bill by pre-filing for homestead exemption on or before March 1st of next year.*

Please complete, sign and date your Homestead Application, and return by mail to:

**Marion County Property Appraiser
Attn: Homestead Exemptions
P.O. Box 486
Ocala, Florida 34478-0486**

To obtain a signed copy of your original application, please include a stamped self-addressed envelope. A copy of your application, signed by this office, will provide proof that your exemption was received. This office is not responsible for postal errors or delays. To verify that your application is filed by the March 1 deadline, you should either request a receipt or file in person.

*Please contact the Marion County Property Appraiser's Office at:
(352) 368-8300 if you have any questions.*