

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NAME OF CITY OR TOWN

ASSESSORS USE ONLY

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DATE RECEIVED _____
APPLICATION NO. _____
PARCEL ID. _____

VETERAN
FY ____ APPLICATION FOR STATUTORY EXEMPTION
General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5

THIS APPLICATION IS NOT OPEN
TO PUBLIC INSPECTION
(See General Laws Chapter 59, Section 60.)

Must be filed with Board of Assessors on
or before December 15 or 3 months
after actual (*not* preliminary) tax bills
are mailed for fiscal year if later.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the following. Please print or type.

A. IDENTIFICATION. Complete this section fully.

Name of Applicant _____ Marital Status _____
Social Security No. _____ (optional) Phone Number () _____
Legal Residence (Domicile) on July 1, _____ Mailing Address (If different) _____

No. Street _____ City/Town _____ Zip Code _____
Location of Property _____ No. of Dwelling Units _____

Did you own the property on July 1, _____ ? Yes No
If yes, were you Sole Owner Co-Owner with Spouse Only Co-Owner with Others?

Was the property subject to a trust as of July 1, _____ ? Yes No
If yes, please attach trust instrument including all schedules.

Have you been granted any exemption in any other city or town (MA or other) for this year? Yes No
If yes, name of city or town _____ *Amount of exemption \$* _____

DISPOSITION OF APPLICATION (ASSESSORS' USE ONLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> Ownership	<input type="checkbox"/> GRANTED	Assessed Tax _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy	<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED	Exempted Tax _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Status	<input type="checkbox"/> DEEMED DENIED	Adjusted Tax _____

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Date Voted / Deemed Denied _____
Certificate No. _____
Date Cert. / Notice Sent _____
Exemption: Clause _____ Date _____

B. EXEMPTION STATUS. Check the status that applies to you and complete the questions that follow.

VETERAN VETERAN'S SPOUSE Veteran's Name _____

VETERAN'S SURVIVING SPOUSE/PARENT Deceased Veteran's Name _____

If first year of application, attach copy of death certificate.

If yes, and you are surviving spouse, have you remarried? Yes No

Date Enlisted / Inducted _____ Date Discharged _____

Type of Discharge _____ *If first year of application, attach copy of discharge papers.*

Military Decorations or Awards _____

Did the veteran live in Massachusetts at least 6 months prior to entering the service? Yes No

If no, list the places and dates where the veteran was domiciled during the last 6 years. (2 years if local option adopted - See Assessors)

Address

Dates

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Was the veteran killed during military service? Yes No *If yes, date of death* _____

Does the veteran have a service-connected disability? Yes No
*If yes, and first year of application, attach Certificate of Disability from U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs or branch or service.
If yes, and exemption granted previously, attach certificate only if disability rating is 100% or has changed.*

Has the veteran acquired "special adapted housing?" Yes No

Is the veteran currently working? Yes No *If no, when did veteran last work?* _____

Is the veteran a paraplegic? Yes No

C. SIGNATURE. Sign here to complete the application.

This application has been prepared or examined by me. Under the pains and penalties of perjury, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this return and all accompanying documents and statements are true, correct and complete.

_____ _____
Signature Date

If signed by agent, attach copy of written authorization to sign on behalf of taxpayer.

TAXPAYER INFORMATION ABOUT PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS

PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS. You may be eligible to reduce all or a portion of the taxes assessed on your domicile if you meet the qualifications for one of the personal exemptions allowed under Massachusetts law. Qualifications vary, but generally relate to age, ownership, residency, disability, income or assets.

You may be eligible for an exemption if you fall into any of these categories:

- Blind
- Veteran with a service connected disability
- Surviving Spouse
- Minor Child of Deceased Parent
- Senior Citizen age 70 and older.

More detailed information about the qualifications for each exemption may be obtained from your Board of Assessors.

WHO MAY FILE AN APPLICATION. You may file an application if you meet all qualifications for a personal exemption as of July first. You may also apply if you are the administrator or executor of a person who qualified for a personal exemption on July first.

WHEN AND WHERE APPLICATION MUST BE FILED. Your application must be filed with the Board of Assessors by December 15 or 3 months after the actual tax bills were mailed for the fiscal year, whichever is later. **THIS DEADLINE CANNOT BE EXTENDED OR WAIVED BY THE ASSESSORS FOR ANY REASON. IF YOUR APPLICATION IS NOT TIMELY FILED, YOU LOSE ALL RIGHTS TO AN EXEMPTION AND THE ASSESSORS CANNOT BY LAW GRANT YOU ONE. AN APPLICATION IS FILED WHEN RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSORS.**

PAYMENT OF TAX. Filing an application does not stay the collection of your taxes. In some cases, you must pay the tax when due to appeal the assessors' disposition of your application. Failure to pay the tax when due may also subject you to interest charges and collection action. To avoid any loss of rights or additional charges, you should pay the tax as assessed. If an exemption is granted and you have already paid the entire year's tax as exempted, you will receive a refund of any overpayment.

ASSESSORS DISPOSITION. Upon applying for an exemption, you may be required to provide the assessors with further information and supporting documentation to establish your eligibility. The assessors have 3 months from the date your application is filed to act on it unless you agree in writing before that period expires to extend it for a specific time. If the assessors do not act on your application within the original or extended period, it is deemed denied. You will be notified in writing whether an exemption has been granted or denied.

APPEAL. You may appeal the disposition of your application. The disposition notice will provide you with further information about the appeal procedure and deadline.