

# **Palm Beach County Homestead Exemptions**

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Exemptions reduce the assessed value of your property, thereby reducing the amount of property tax you pay. If your property is your permanent residence, or homestead, you may be eligible for a tax exemption. Several exemptions are available:

## **THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION**

In the state of Florida, a **\$25,000 exemption** is applied to the first \$50,000 of your property's assessed value if your property is your permanent residence and you owned the property on **January 1 of the tax year**. This exemption applies to all taxes, including school district taxes. An additional exemption of up to **\$25,000** will be applied if your property's assessed value is between at least \$50,000 and \$75,000. This exemption is not applied to school district taxes.

**When qualifying for the Homestead Exemption, you will need the following documents for all property owners applying:**

- Florida Driver's License or Florida ID if you do not drive
- Florida car registration
- Florida Voter's ID (if you vote)
- Immigration documents if not a U.S. citizen.

Documents should reflect the address of your homesteaded property. Homestead Exemption also qualifies you for the [3% Cap Save our Homes \(SOH\)](#)

### **How do I apply?**

You have **three** options to submit your application:

- [E-File](#)
- Complete the application online, [click here](#). Print it out and mail to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office, Exemption Services, 1st Floor, 301 N. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33401
- Visit one of our [five service centers](#) to file in person.

All homestead exemption applications must be submitted by March 1.

### **Do I need to reapply for a homestead exemption every year?**

No. We will renew your homestead exemption annually as long as you continue to qualify for the exemption. After January 1 of each year, we will send you a homestead exemption receipt by mail to confirm the renewal. You must contact us if you no longer qualify for the exemption. This may occur because the property is being rented or is no longer your permanent residence, or there is a change in ownership due to a sale, marriage, divorce, death. Failure to notify us could result in a homestead tax lien with a substantial penalty and interest. A change in exemption status does not

necessarily mean that your taxes will increase. Please call or email our office so we can help you understand your options.

**If you receive a homestead exemption, you may be eligible for additional exemptions or discounts.** The application deadline for all exemptions is March 1.

## Rental of a Homesteaded Property\*

You may rent your homesteaded property for 30 days or less per calendar year and maintain a homestead exemption. Rental for more than 30 days for two consecutive years or for more than six months constitutes abandonment of a homestead exemption.

Exempt property rented after January 1 of any year does not affect the homestead exemption for that particular year. If the property is rented on January 1 of the following year or the terms of the lease are six months or more the exemption will be denied.

Property owners are required to notify the Property Appraiser's Office when their property no longer qualifies for exemption. Failure to do so could result in a Homestead Tax Lien with substantial penalty and interest.

\*Florida Statute 196.061 and 196.011 (9) (a).

Please call our Exemption Services at 561.355.2866 for more information.

## Limited Income Senior Citizen Exemption for Persons 65 and Older

**In order for you to qualify for the following additional exemption, you must have a homestead exemption on your property.**

Palm Beach County senior citizens, age 65 or older, with income below the limit set by the Florida Department of Revenue. The income limitation amount is available from our office in mid-January of each year. The current income limit is **31,100** for the 2021 exemption. This does not include tax-exempt bond interest or non-taxable social security income. You will be asked to provide a copy of your Federal 1040 Tax Form or your Social Security 1099 Form.

The additional benefit for qualified seniors applies only to taxes levied by the following authorities. The county's senior exemption does not apply to other taxing authorities, such as the school district and other municipalities.

### **\$50,000**

Town of Haverhill

Town of Loxahatchee Groves

Village of Wellington

### **\$25,000**

Palm Beach County

City of Boynton Beach

City of Lake Worth Beach

Town of Lantana

City of Palm Beach Gardens  
Village of Palm Springs  
Town of Jupiter

**\$5,000**

Village of Royal Palm Beach

You may mail in your completed form with documentation to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office, 301 N. Olive Ave., 1st Floor, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, **by March 1st**. If you have any questions, please call our office at 561.355.2866 for assistance.

[Click here for Limited Income Senior Citizen Application](#)

## Individual and Family Exemptions

[Limited Income Senior Citizen Exemption for Persons 65 and Older](#)

[Widow & Widowers](#)

[Civilian Disability: Total & Permanent Disability, Quadriplegic, Legally Blind,](#)

[Living Quarters of Parents or Grandparents Exemption \(also known as the Granny Flat exemption\)](#)

## Veteran and Active Duty Military Exemptions

[Disabled Veteran Exemption](#)

[Veterans 65 or older with Combat Related Disabilities](#)

[Total & Permanent Disability for Veterans & Veteran's Widow](#)

[Active Duty Military Exemption](#)

[Surviving Spouse of Military Veteran who Died in the Line of Duty](#)

## Other

[Disabled Law Enforcement & First Responder Exemptions](#)

[Institutional Exemption](#)

## Requirement to report change in exemption status

If you qualify for a homestead exemption or any other exemption, you must report any changes in your status that may make you ineligible for the exemption. Please call or email our office so we can help you understand your options.

For more information, please contact us at 561.355.2866 or [myexemption@pbcgov.org](mailto:myexemption@pbcgov.org)

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**Please use the Link Above To the Palm Beach County Property Appraisers Office, For More Information and To File For Your Homestead Exemption.**

To Answer Your Questions or For More Information About Real Estate, Please Contact Me By Phone or Email today!

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