



**County of Fairfax, Virginia**  
**Department of Tax Administration**  
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## **Tax Relief Application for a Disabled Veteran or their Surviving Spouse**

### **Real Estate Tax Exemption**

#### **General Information:**

- Applies to the principal residence of a qualifying disabled veteran or their surviving spouse and up to 1 acre of land.
- Land exceeding one acre, certain structures not attached to the house, refuse fees, and water fees are not eligible for exemption.

#### **Qualifications:**

- The veteran must have a 100% service-connected, permanent, and total disability rating from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
  - Veterans with service-connected, permanent, and total disability rating less than 100%, but receiving VA benefits at a 100% due to individual unemployability may qualify.
- The veteran must own and occupy the property as their principal residence.
  - If the property is jointly owned, the exemption will be prorated based on the percentage of ownership held by the qualifying person(s).
- The surviving spouse of a veteran eligible for the real estate tax exemption may also qualify for the exemption so long as:
  - The death of the veteran occurred on or after January 1, 2011.
  - The surviving spouse does not remarry.
  - The surviving spouse occupy the real property as their principal residence.

#### **Required Documentation:**

- Documentation from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs indicating the veteran has a 100% service-connected, permanent, and total disability and the effective date of such rating.
- Surviving spouse must also provide copies of the marriage license and death certificate.
- Additional documentation may be required.

### **Reduced Personal Property (Vehicle) Tax Rate for Disabled Veterans**

#### **General Information:**

- One motor vehicle (i.e., car, truck, or motorcycle) owned and used by a qualifying disabled veteran may be taxed at a lower rate of \$0.01 per \$100 of assessed value. The reduced car tax rate does not apply to the annual no plate tax and no plate penalty assessed on vehicles with an out of state plate.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Veteran must be classified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a service-connected disability as follows: has either lost, or lost the use of, one or both legs, or an arm or a hand, or who is blind, or who is permanently and totally disabled.
- Vehicle must be owned and regularly used by the veteran.
  - The vehicle may be co-owned.
  - The reduced rate does not apply to vehicles owned solely by a spouse or a surviving spouse.

#### **Required Documentation:**

- Documentation from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs indicating the veteran is classified to have a service-connected disability as follows: has either lost, or lost the use of, one or both legs, or an arm or a hand, or who is blind, or who is permanently and totally disabled.

Applicant Information		
Application Type (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled Veteran <input type="checkbox"/> Surviving Spouse of a Disabled Veteran		
Name of Disabled Veteran:	Birth Date:	Social Security Number:
Name of Spouse/Surviving Spouse:	Birth Date:	Social Security Number:
Home Phone:	Alternate Phone:	Email Address:
Real Property Information (Real Estate Tax Exemption)		
Address of Property for Which Tax Exemption is Being Claimed:		
Map Reference Number:	Total Acreage:	Is the above listed property jointly owned by the veteran and spouse? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Is the above listed property the principal residence of the veteran?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Is the above-listed property the principal residence of the veteran's spouse/surviving spouse?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Are you receiving tax exemption in a different locality?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Mailing Address (if different from principal residence):		
Vehicle Information (for Personal Property Reduced Tax Rate)		
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):	Year:	Make:

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Comes now \_\_\_\_\_, of legal age,  
*Print Name(s)*

having first sworn on my oath state the foregoing statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any factors occurring during the taxable year that have the effect of violating the conditions provided by the *Code of Virginia*, shall nullify the property tax exemption.

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*Signature of Veteran*    *Date*                      *Signature of Spouse*    *Date*

**Privacy Act Notice:** Disclosure of your Social Security Number, if any, on this form is mandatory. The County Department of Tax Administration is requesting this number in accordance with the authority provided by **Virginia Code Section 58.1-3017 and 42 U.S.C. Section 405**. Social Security Numbers are used as a means of identification for the filing, retrieval, and processing of local tax relief applications. Those numbers are also used where necessary to facilitate tax collection and to provide tax refunds to taxpayers. Social Security Account Numbers are regarded as confidential tax information, and except as otherwise provided by law, those numbers will not be disclosed for any other purpose. If you do not disclose a Social Security Number, you may encounter delays in the processing of your tax relief application and refunds.

**The Tax Relief Office will review your application and contact you if further information is needed.**

<b>Please mail completed applications to:</b> Department of Tax Administration (DTA) Attn: Tax Relief Section 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Suite 225.5 Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0032	<b>Contact the Tax Relief Office for assistance:</b> <b>Phone:</b> 703-222-8234 (TTY 711) <b>Fax:</b> 703-802-7595 <b>Email:</b> Taxrelief@fairfaxcounty.gov <b>Hours:</b> Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
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