

Dear New Homeowner:

Kindly fill out this Homestead Exemption Application, so we may process your application for the upcoming tax roll. The Rhode Island General Laws mandate that all owner-occupied homeowners must apply for this exemption. Please apply on or before March 15, 2008. If you deliver the application to the Assessor's Office in person, please be sure to get a copy of your stamped received application from our office. If you are mailing us your application please be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope and we will send you a copy of your stamped received application.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION (Owner Occupied)
Qualifications and Requirements

Qualifications – To qualify, you must:

1. Own [(Be a natural person(s)) holding legal title] your residence (home) as of December 31st
2. Actually reside (live) in your residence from January 1st to December 31st
3. Be a permanent Providence resident as of December 31st

If you qualify (meet all the requirements) please file for your Homestead exemption NO LATER THAN March 15, 2008 prior to annual billing.

Required – To file properly, all owners who qualify for the exemption MUST file by mail or in person with the City Assessor's office, Providence, RI 02903, the enclosed declaration of Homestead and a copy of ONE of the following:

Please check appropriate box:

Rhode Island Driver's License

Declaration page of Homeowner's Insurance policy

Automobile Insurance Policy (cover page)

Rhode Island Vehicle Registration

NOTE: THE CITY ASSESSOR MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, WHICH HE/SHE DEEMS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT OF THE ORDINANCE.

IF THE TAXPAYER KNOWINGLY GIVES MISINFORMATION AS TO OWNERSHIP AND/OR OCCUPANCY OF THE REAL ESTATE ON HIS/HER APPLICATION FOR A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION, THE CITY ASSESSOR MAY, IN SUCH EVENT, REMOVE THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION AND RECALCULATE THE TAX FOR THE PERIOD IN QUESTION AND IN ADDITION CHARGE THE TAXPAYER THE MAXIMUM INTEREST PERMITTED BY LAW.