

If I own more than one residence, may I receive a Homeowners' Exemption for each property?

No. California State law permits only one Homeowners' Exemption per resident.

Why must I submit my Social Security number when applying for the Homeowners' Exemption?

State law requires Social Security numbers in order to ensure that homeowners receive only one exemption.

Property Tax Assistance

The State-sponsored property tax assistance program is designed to assist those who are blind, disabled, or at least 62 years of age and on a limited income. Up until February 20, 2009, the State Controller's postponement program allowed eligible persons on limited income to postpone their property taxes. Please contact the State Controller at (800) 952-5661 or visit their Web site at www.sco.ca.gov for the current standing of this program.

Online Forms, Services, and Information

Please visit our Web site at www.sdarcc.com for a description of online services, forms, and answers to frequently asked questions about the programs that the Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk administers. Many of the forms found on our site can be filled out prior to printing, and some can be submitted online.

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HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION



INFORMATION

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What is the Homeowners' Property Tax Exemption?

The Homeowners' Exemption provides for a reduction of \$7,000 off the assessed value of your residence. This results in an annual property tax savings of approximately \$70.

Who qualifies for this program?

Property owners who occupy their homes as their principal place of residence on January 1, and each year thereafter, are eligible for the exemption.

How do I obtain a Homeowners' Exemption application?

Whenever there is a purchase or transfer of residential property, the Assessor's Office automatically mails a Homeowners' Exemption claim form. You may also download the application from our Web site at www.sdarcc.com or request that one be mailed to you by calling our office at (619) 531-5772.

Is there a fee for filing a Homeowners' Exemption application with the Assessor's Office?

No. This is a free service provided by the Assessor's Office.

How can I determine if I am already receiving the Homeowners' Exemption?

To verify that you are receiving your Homeowners' Exemption, review your latest property tax bill. The exemption is shown in the upper right section of your tax bill.

When is the filing deadline for the Homeowners' Exemption?

The regular filing deadline is February 15 to receive the full exemption of \$70. Late filing is from February 16 to December 10 to receive 80% of the exemption (\$56). Late-filed exemptions will receive the full \$70 exemption after the first year.

If I miss the Homeowners' Exemption deadline, is there any provision for granting the exemption for prior years?

No. According to California State law, Homeowners' Exemptions cannot be granted for prior years.

Do I need to file each year for the Homeowners' Exemption program?

No. Once you have filed and been granted the Homeowners' Exemption and you continue to own and occupy the same residence, you will automatically receive the exemption in future years.

If I own a manufactured home, do I qualify for a Homeowners' Exemption?

If you pay property taxes on your manufactured home and it does not have State license tags, you may be eligible for the Homeowners' Exemption. For more information, please call the Assessor's Office at (619) 531-5772.

If I receive a Disabled Veteran's Exemption, may I also apply for a Homeowners' Exemption?

No. The Disabled Veteran's Exemption results in a substantially higher savings than a Homeowners' Exemption.