

DOUGLAS COUNTY HOMESTEAD APPLICATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Rented <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal/Recreational <input type="checkbox"/> Relative Occupied Relationship to Owner _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Parcel #(s): _____ Date Sent: _____ Sent By: _____ Comment: _____ Previous Owner: _____ New Owner: _____
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(READ THE BACK OF THIS APPLICATION BEFORE FILLING OUT)

Property purchased for occupancy as a homestead is eligible for a full homestead if owned and occupied by January 2. Property purchased and used for homestead purposes after January 2 but by December 1 may be eligible for a homestead. The information you provide on this application will be verified.

Homestead Affidavit for The _____ Assessment Year for Taxes Payable in the Year _____

1.	Date I/ we moved in to homestead _____
2.	Date of purchase _____
3.	What was your previous address? _____
4.	If previous place of residence was homesteaded is it(?): <input type="checkbox"/> sold <input type="checkbox"/> up for sale <input type="checkbox"/> other _____
5.	Your mailing address is: _____
6.	Your driver's license #: _____ State of _____ or <input type="checkbox"/> No license
7.	Your driver's license address: _____
8.	Spouse/other owner driver license # _____ State of _____ or <input type="checkbox"/> No license
9.	Spouse/other owner driver's license address: _____
10.	What city/township are you registered to vote in? _____ Or <input type="checkbox"/> Do not vote
11.	What city/township is spouse/other owner registered to vote in? _____ Or <input type="checkbox"/> Do not vote
12.	Where do your children attend school? _____ Or <input type="checkbox"/> None in School
13.	Do you file a MN Income Tax Return? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
14.	Mailing address that you will use on your Income Tax Return: _____
15.	Where are you employed? _____ OR <input type="checkbox"/> Not Employed Mailing address of employer: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Retired
16.	Where is spouse/other owner employed? _____ Mailing address of employer: _____
17.	Social Security # & Name: _____
18.	Social Security # of Spouse/Other Owner & Name: _____
19.	I/We do hereby declare under the penalties of perjury* that I/We am/are the owner(s) of the property located at:
And that I/We maintain this property as my/our homestead, receive no homestead benefits anywhere else in the United States, keep the majority of my/our personal effects at this residence and this is my/our primary place of residence.	
_____ Your Signature	_____ Phone #
_____ Spouse/Other Owner Signature	_____ Date

MINNESOTA STATUTES *609.41 FALSE TAX STATEMENT. Whoever, in making any statement oral or written, which is required or authorized by law to be made as a basis of imposing, reducing or abating any tax or assessment, intentionally makes any statement as to any material matter which the maker of the statement knows is false may be sentenced, unless otherwise provided by law, to imprisonment for not more than one year or to payment of a fine not more than \$3,000 or both.

FOR ASSESSOR'S USE ONLY

Approved _____ Denied _____ Reason _____
 Date _____ AC _____ Assessors Signature _____

APPLYING FOR THE HOMESTEAD CLASSIFICATION

To apply for the homestead classification for your residence, you must complete every part of the application or we will return it to you.

To qualify for the homestead classification, you must:

- Occupy the property listed on this application as your primary residence; and
- Be one of the owners of the property listed on this application; and
- Be a Minnesota resident.

Your assessor will determine whether you qualify for the homestead classification.

The following items must reflect the address of the property you are applying for the homestead on:

- Voters registration
- Driver's license(s)
- Vehicle registration
- Mailing address
- Income Tax

You cannot claim to be a resident of another state or county and any children attending K-12 should be attending a local school.

State law requires that the Social Security number and signatures of the owners must be on this application. (Minnesota Statute 273.124, Subd. 13) If there is not enough space on the application for all required signatures and their Social Security numbers, use an extra sheet and include it with the application.

Social Security numbers are confidential information. (Minnesota Statute 13.02, Subd. 12) Under state law, they may be given by your county assessor to the Minnesota Department of Revenue for use in determining whether or not you have applied for the homestead classification for other properties in the state. (Minnesota Statute 273.124, Subd. 13)

PENALTIES

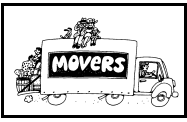
A property owner who obtains or attempts to obtain homestead classification for a property other than his or her primary place of residence or the primary place of residence of his or her relative is under state law subject to a fine of up to \$3000 and/or up to one year of imprisonment. (Minnesota Statute 609.41) In addition, the property owner will be required to pay all tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the same amount. (Minnesota Statute 273.124, Subd.13)

RENEWING YOUR HOMESTEAD CLASSIFICATION

If this property is granted the homestead classification, it will not be necessary for you to reapply for the classification. However, at any time, the county assessor may require you to provide an additional application or such proof as they deem necessary to verify that you continue to meet the requirements of the homestead classification.

If you have any questions, please call 320-762-3884.

Please return application to: **Douglas County Assessor's Office, 305 8th Ave W, Alexandria MN 56308.**



IF YOU MOVE...

If you change your primary residence, state law requires you to notify the county assessor within 30 days. If you fail to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change, you will be required to pay the tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the same amount.