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VETERAN REQUIREMENTS

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR THE VETERANS' EXEMPTION:

1. YOUR DATE OF SERVICE MUST MEET THE ELIGIBLE DATES OF WARTIME (SEE REVERSE PAGE).

2. A LETTER OF TRANSFER IS REQUIRED IF YOU ARE FROM ANOTHER TOWN AND WANT TO CONTINUE YOUR VETERANS' EXEMPTION.

3. A LETTER IS NEEDED IF YOU ARE CHANGING YOUR VETERANS' EXEMPTION FROM THE ELIGIBLE FUNDS VETERANS' EXEMPTION TO THE ALTERNATIVE VETERANS' EXEMPTION.

4. HONORABLE DISCHARGE PAPERS (DD214).

5. A BILL OF SALE IF IT IS A MOBIL HOME.

6. IF YOU ARE A DISABLED VETERAN, A LETTER FROM THE VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION SHOWING THE COMPENSATION RATING.

7. THE FORM MUST BE FILED BY MARCH 1, 2020 FOR THE 2020/2021 TAX YEAR.

ELIGIBILITY

Q: What does the law mean by a “period of war?”

A: The exemption is available to veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. armed services during:

- Persian Gulf Conflict (on or after August 2, 1990);
- Vietnam War (February 28, 1961-May 7, 1975);
- Korean War (June 27, 1950-January 31, 1955);
- World War II (December 7, 1941-December 31, 1946);

The dates of the Korean and Vietnam Wars as well as the Persian Gulf Conflict are prescribed in the State law, while the dates of the other wars are derived from Federal law. Also eligible for the exemption are certain individuals who served during World War II in the U.S. Merchant Marine and persons who served overseas in a civilian capacity during World War II either in the American Field Service under United States Armies and the United States Army Groups or as a flight crew and aviation ground support employee of American Airlines' contract with the Air Transport Command. Excluded from this exemption are individuals who served in the Reserve on limited or active duty for training or National Guard.

Q: May a veteran who did not serve during a “period of war” qualify for the exemption?

A: Yes, a veteran who is a recipient of an Armed Forces, Navy or Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal may qualify.