

Exemption Application Guidelines



The following documents are required from each applicant:

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

- **PROOF OF JANUARY 1st OWNERSHIP** - (ONE OF THE FOLLOWING):
 - ✓ A PRE-PRINTED APPLICATION MAILED TO YOU BY THE PROPERTY APPRAISER
 - ✓ A RECORDED WARRANTY DEED
- **PROOF OF FLORIDA RESIDENCY** - (ONE OF THE FOLLOWING - ISSUED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1):
 - ✓ A VALID FLORIDA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID CARD
 - ✓ FLORIDA VEHICLE REGISTRATION
 - ✓ FLORIDA VOTER'S REGISTRATION
 - ✓ PRIOR YEAR'S IRS RETURN OR CURRENT W-2 FORM
 - ✓ BANK STATEMENTS AND CHECKING ACCOUNT REGISTERED AT THE PROPERTY
 - ✓ PROOF OF PAYMENTS FOR UTILITIES AT THE PROPERTY

PLEASE NOTE:

- Only the persons listed on this application as residing owners, providing their Social Security numbers and proof of Florida residency will benefit from the Homestead Exemption if the application is granted.
- Non-citizens must submit an Alien Registration Card, also known as Green Card.
- If filing for a Trust, a complete set of the trust documents must be submitted.

SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION

- PRIOR YEAR'S IRS RETURN, SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS STATEMENT OR SUPPLEMENTAL INCOME STATEMENT, AND PROOF OF AGE

\$5,000 WIDOW/WIDOWER EXEMPTION

- SPOUSE'S DEATH CERTIFICATE

\$5,000 CIVILIAN DISABILITY

- DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE (**DR-416** or **DR-416B** - *Forms can be downloaded from the Property Appraiser's website or obtained from either the Downtown Miami or South Dade Government Center offices).

\$5,000 VETERAN DISABILITY EXEMPTION

- VA LETTER (**27-125**) 10% OR MORE SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY

VETERAN DISABILITY TOTAL EXEMPTION

- VA LETTER (**27-333**) SERVICE CONNECTED TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY

CIVILIAN DISABILITY TOTAL EXEMPTION

- TWO (2) DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATES (**DR-416** or **DR-416B** - from doctors in different offices - *See above)
- NOTARIZED STATEMENT OF GROSS INCOME (**DR-501A** - *See above)
- CURRENT FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURN
- PREVIOUS YEAR'S **SSA 1099** OR SUPPLEMENTAL INCOME STATEMENT