



**TOWN OF SMITHFIELD
TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
APPLICATION FOR TAX EXEMPTION AND FREEZE
"65 AND OVER"**

Date: _____ Assessors Plat #: _____ Lot # _____

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email Address _____

Age: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Marital Status: Widow Divorced Widower

 Single Married

Did you file tax returns last year? Yes No

Where _____

If no, your last year's address _____

Address of additional residential property owned in or out of State _____

Proof of Residency

RI registered voter _____ RI Driver's License _____

Vehicle Registration # _____ Vehicle Registration # _____

Property Information

of Units: _____ Type of Property: _____

Record of Acquisition: Volume: _____ Page: _____ Date: _____

I certify that the above information is correct and that I own and occupy the property above. I also declare, under penalty of law, that I do not receive any exemptions in another state that would negate this exemption in Smithfield.

Signature of Applicant: _____

State of Rhode Island

County of Providence

Subscribed and sworn to before me by _____

This _____ day of _____ 2011

My Commission Expires _____

Notary Public _____

***** This application must be filed in person by the applicant*****



Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Senior Freeze Exemptions

Is it necessary to file for the exemption yearly?

After you receive the first exemption, you must certify each and every year in person that you still occupy the property. For homebound applicants only, please call 401-233-1014 by March 15th to receive a home visit.

Does the exemption go with the person or property?

The exemption stays with the property as long as you own and occupy the property. If you buy and occupy another property, you must move the exemption to the new location.

Must I register my motor vehicles in Smithfield?

By claiming Smithfield as your permanent address, you must register all vehicles to the State of RI at the current address. This includes vehicles of spouses as well. It is assumed that a spouse also occupies the property. Under RI motor vehicle law, a vehicle that is on RI roads for more than 30 days must be registered here.

May I claim an exemption in another State if I own property there?

No. This exemption, as well as those in other States, requires that you occupy and declare the property to be your primary residence. There can be only one!

What if I convert my home to a rental property or otherwise change its use?

Any change, including the conversion to a rental property, results in the residence no longer being used as your homestead and may cause you to lose the exemption.

What happens if I must go to a nursing home or rehabilitation center?

We are very sympathetic to these issues and they are considered on a case by case basis. If the move is of a permanent nature, the exemption will be removed.