

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOMESTEAD APPLICATION

PIN #:	Taken by	ASMT Year	City/Township
	Legal Party <input type="checkbox"/>	Modifier <input type="checkbox"/>	PTR <input type="checkbox"/> Class _____
	Full Year <input type="checkbox"/>	Mid-Year <input type="checkbox"/>	Linkage <input type="checkbox"/> Homestead _____%
	Date of Deed: _____		
Office Notes:			

Please read all instructions before completing this form.

This section is to be completed by each applicant claiming homestead on the property.
 By completing this section, you certify that you are a Minnesota resident, and occupy the property described below as your primary place of residence.
 You also certify that the information you provide is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.

Applicant Information

Property Address (please print or type)		City, State, Zip		
Property Owner's Name	Do you live here? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date Moved In	MN Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Social Security #
Marital Status: (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Married – spouse name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce/Legal Separation pending case # _____ (attach documentation)				
Previous Address		City, State		Date Moved Out
Signature		Phone #1	Phone #2	Today's Date
Property Owner's Name	Do you live here? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date Moved In	MN Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Social Security #
Marital Status: (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Married – spouse name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce/Legal Separation pending case # _____ (attach documentation)				
Previous Address		City, State, Zip		Date Moved Out
Signature		Phone #1	Phone #2	Today's Date

You must complete this section if you are the spouse of the owner but not listed on the deed OR you do not occupy the property

Spouse of Owner's Name	Reason for living apart (if applicable)	MN Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Social Security #
Current Address	City, State	Date Moved In	
Previous Address	City, State	Date Moved Out	
Spouse's Signature	Phone #1	Phone #2	Today's Date

PLEASE SUBMIT ORIGINAL APPLICATION TO WASHINGTON COUNTY ASSESSMENT DIVISION

Applying for the owner occupied homestead classification

How to apply

To apply for the homestead classification for your residence, you must fill out this application. To qualify for the homestead classification, you must:

1. Own and occupy the property as your primary residence on January 2nd or December 1st of the current year.
2. Be one of the owners of the property.
3. Occupy the property as your primary residence.
4. Be a Minnesota resident.

Your county assessor will determine if you are a Minnesota resident for homestead purposes. Some of the conditions that may be used to determine your residency status include:

- Are you registered to vote in Minnesota?
- Do you have a valid Minnesota driver's license?
- Do you file a Minnesota income tax return?
- Do you list property in Minnesota as your permanent mailing address?
- Do your children, if any, attend school in Minnesota?
- Are you a resident of any other state or country?

Application deadline

The homestead application must be turned into the county assessor's office by **December 15** to be eligible for the homestead classification for taxes payable in the following year.

Required information

Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13 requires Social Security numbers and signatures of **all owners occupying the property and each owner's spouse that occupies the property** to be listed on this application. Additionally, each owner's spouse who occupies the property also must be listed on the homestead application even if the owner's spouse is not listed as an owner on the deed of record. If there is not enough space on the application for all required signatures and Social Security numbers, please complete as many homestead applications as necessary.

How we use information

The Social Security numbers or affidavits or other proofs of property owners and spouses are private data. Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, authorizes the collection of Social Security numbers and signatures of all applicants, including spouses, on homestead applications.

The county assessor may share the information contained on this form with the county auditor, county treasurer, county attorney, Commissioner of Revenue, or other federal, state or local taxing authorities to verify your compliance with this and other tax programs.

You can refuse to provide the information on this form. However, failure to provide this information may result in a fractional homestead or denial of the homestead classification.

Penalties

Making false statements on this application is against the law.

Minnesota Statutes, section 609.41 states that anyone giving false information in order to avoid or reduce their tax obligations is subject to a fine of up to \$3,000 and/or up to one year in prison.

In addition, the property owner may 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 Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, paragraph)

Renewing your homestead classification

If this property is granted the homestead classification, it is not necessary for you to reapply for the classification.

However, at any time, the county assessor may require you to provide an additional application or other proof deemed necessary to verify that you continue to qualify for the homestead classification.

If you sell, move or change your marital status

If this property is sold, you or your spouse changes your primary residence, or you change your marital status, 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, the property may be assessed the tax that is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the same amount.

Please return this application to:

Washington County PRTS

Attn: Homestead

14949 62nd St N

PO Box 6

Stillwater, MN 55082