

# RESIDENTIAL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION

**THERE IS NO FEE TO FILE THIS APPLICATION**

**TAX YEAR**

**Please return to:**

**Bexar Appraisal District**

**411 N. Frio, P.O. Box 830248 San Antonio, Tx 78283-0248  
(210) 224-8511 (210) 224-2432 Website: www.bcad.org**

Owner & Mailing Address:

Geo ID:

Prop ID:

Situs:

Legal:

<i>Address of Property you are applying for:</i>		
Phone #	Driver's License, Personal ID Certificate or Social Security #	Birth Date

Submit this completed application to the Appraisal District before April 30, unless you are applying for a late exemption. An exemption removes part of the value of your property from taxation and lowers your property taxes. For example, if your home is valued at \$50,000 and you qualify for a \$15,000 exemption, you pay taxes on your home as if it was worth only \$35,000. You may only apply for Residential Homestead Exemption on one property in a tax year.

**NOTE: For a list of taxing units, exemptions and tax limitations offered call the Appraisal District.**

Website: [www.bcad.org](http://www.bcad.org)

**GENERAL RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION: DATE MOVED IN \_\_\_\_\_** To qualify for general residential exemption, you must own your home on January 1, reside there as of that date and not claim an exemption on any other property.

**DISABILITY EXEMPTION:** If you are disabled, you need not own your home on January 1 because you qualify for the Disability Exemption as soon as you become disabled, own the home and live in it as your principal residence. You will receive the exemption as of January 1. You cannot claim both the Disability and Over-65. **(You must furnish a letter from Social Security or verification from your physician stating that you are disabled and that you are unable to return to work.)** Contact our office for a Disabled Veteran form.

**OVER-65 EXEMPTION:** If you are 65 years of age or older, you need not own your own home on January 1 because you qualify for the Over-65 Exemption as soon as you turn 65, own the home, and live in it as your principal residence. You will receive the exemption as of January 1. You cannot claim both the Disability and Over-65. If you qualified for an Over-65 exemption at a previous address and have moved since January 1, contact previous Appraisal District for a Tax Ceiling Certificate. You have 1 year from the date the home was acquired & occupied or you turned 65 to qualify for this exemption. **(Please furnish a copy of either a current Driver's License or Birth Certificate.)**

Please check if you had a tax ceiling (freeze) from your last home in Texas. If checked, what county did you reside? \_\_\_\_\_

**OVER-55 SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A PERSON WHO RECEIVED THE OVER-65 EXEMPTION or DISABILITY EXEMPTION:** You qualify for an extension of the Over-65 / Disability exemption and the school tax limitation if (1) you were 55 years of age or older on the date your spouse died; (2) your deceased spouse was receiving the Over-65 or Disability exemptions on this homestead or would have applied and qualified before the spouse's death for the tax year; and (3) your spouse died on or after December 1, 1987 (for the tax limitation). **(Please furnish a copy of either a current Driver's License or Birth Certificate and a copy of the Death Certificate of the deceased.)**

**LATE FILING FOR PRIOR YEAR:** What prior year are you applying for? \_\_\_\_\_ NOTE: You must have met all of the qualifications checked above to receive the prior year tax exemption.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED: By signing this application, you state that you are qualified for the exemptions checked above. You state that the facts in this application are true and correct. If the Chief Appraiser approves your exemption, you do not have to reapply annually. However, if the Chief Appraiser requires you to do so, by sending you a new application, you must reapply. You must notify the Chief Appraiser in writing, if and when your right to any exemption ends or your qualifications change. You swear or affirm that you have read and understand the penalty for filing a false statement.	
Print Owners Names:	Date
Owners Sign Here:	Please return to the Appraisal District at the address above. *****Please Do Not Fax*****

**If you make a false statement on this application, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a State jail felony under Texas Penal Code Section 37.10.**