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GUIDE TO FILING HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

An exemption from ad valorem taxes is available to residents of a particular county who own their principal residence within the county. Homeowners are entitled to claim partial exemption from taxation (the amount of exemption depends on the county) that can amount to substantial annual savings for the homeowner.

THE WHERE, WHEN AND WHO OF FILING:

Some counties allow homeowner to file online or by mail, but some still require the homeowner to go in person to the office of the Tax Commissioner of Tax Assessor of the county in which the property is located. These methods are reflected by county to assist with filing.

In order to file for a 2010 homestead exemption, the homeowner must be the owner of record and occupy the property as the principal residence by January 1, 2010. An application for homestead exemption can be submitted year around (as soon as the Warranty Deed for the property has been recorded in the county of residence), but no later than March 1st of the year they seek the exemption (April 1, 2010 in some counties). The Homestead exemption will remain on the property until there is a change in ownership.

DOCUMENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION NEEDED IN FILING:

The *RECORDED* Warranty Deed will be required along with photo identification. The Tax Commissioner will furnish the forms for the application, some counties have the forms available online.

The property owner filing for the homestead exemption may need the following information:

- (a) a HUD-1 Settlement Statement from the closing
- (b) Automobile tag number(s)
- (c) Proof of Automobile registration
- (d) a Georgia Driver's License with the subject property address

It is always a good precaution to contact their local county tax commissioner's or tax assessor's office prior to submitting or visiting to confirm the specific requirements for that county and their hours of operation.

Disclaimer: This information is provided as a courtesy only. Redmond Law, LLC, and their representatives do not make any representation as to the accuracy in the method filing of Georgia counties for homestead exemption. The information is subject to change by each county. It is the sole responsibility of the new homeowner to contact the appropriate county official and confirm the method for filing homestead exemption in the county of their new residence.

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COUNTY HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

The following is a list of metro and surrounding area counties and links to their website for procedures to file Homestead Exemption:

BARTOW COUNTY

(770) 387-5111

Office of the Tax Commissioner

135 W. Cherokee Avenue, Suite 217A

Cartersville, Georgia 30120

Deadline: Prior to April 1st

BUTTS COUNTY

(770) 775-8207

Butts County Tax Commissioner

Butts County Administration Complex

625 West Third Street, Suite 1

Jackson, Georgia 30233

Deadline: Prior to April 1st

CHEROKEE COUNTY

(678) 493-6120

Office of the Tax Assessor

2782 Marietta Highway

Canton, Georgia 30114

Deadline: April 1st

CLAYTON COUNTY

(770) 477-3311

Clayton County Administration Annex 3

121 South McDonough Street, 2nd floor

Jonesboro, Georgia 30236

Deadline: April 1st

[COWETA COUNTY](#)

(770) 254-2670

Coweta County Tax Commissioner

County Administration Building

22 East Broad Street

Newnan, Georgia 30263

Deadline: April 1st

[COBB COUNTY](#)

(770) 528-8600

Office of the Tax Commissioner

PO Box 649

Marietta, Georgia 30061

Deadline: April 1st

[DAWSON COUNTY](#)

(706) 344-3590

Office of the Tax Assessors

78 Howard Ave., E.

Suite 120

Dawsonville, Georgia 30534

Deadline: April 1st

[DEKALB COUNTY](#)

(404) 298-4000

Office of the Tax Commissioner

P.O. Box 100004

Decatur, GA 30031-7004

Deadline: March 1st

[DOUGLAS COUNTY](#)

(770) 920-7272

Office of the Tax Commissioner

Douglas County Courthouse

8700 Hospital Drive, Main Floor

Douglasville, Georgia 30134

Deadline: April 1st

FAYETTE COUNTY

(770) 461-3652

Office of the Tax Commissioner
140 W. Stonewall Avenue, Suite 110
Fayetteville, GA 30214
Deadline: Prior to April 1st

FORSYTH COUNTY

(770) 781-2116

Forsyth County Tax Assessors
110 E. Main Street, Suite 260
Cumming, Georgia 30040
Deadline: April 1st

FULTON COUNTY

(404) 224-0102

Office of the Tax Assessor
141 Pryor Street, Suite 1047 B
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Deadline: April 1st

GWINNETT COUNTY

(770) 822-8800

Gwinnett County Tax Commissioner
Department of Property Tax
PO Box 372
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046
Deadline: March 1st

HALL COUNTY

(770) 531-6720

Hall County Tax Assessment Administration
300 Henry Ward Way
Joint Administration Bldg., Room 203
Gainesville, Georgia 30501
Deadline: March 1st

[HENRY COUNTY](#)

(770) 954-2470

Office of the Tax Commissioner
140 Henry Parkway,
McDonough, Georgia 30253
Deadline: April 1st

[NEWTON COUNTY](#)

(770) 784-2030

Tax Assessor's Office
1113 Usher Street, Suite 102
Covington, GA 30014
Deadline: March 1st

[PAULDING COUNTY](#)

(770) 443-7606

Office of the Tax Commissioner
Paulding County Annex Building
25 Courthouse Square #203
Dallas, Georgia 30132
Deadline: April 1st

[SPALDING COUNTY](#)

(770) 467-4240

Tax Assessors Office
119 E. Soloman Street, Rm. 101
Griffin, Georgia 30223
Deadline: March 1st

[WALTON COUNTY](#)

(770) 267-1352

Walton County Tax Commissioner
303 South Hammond Road
Monroe, Georgia 30655
Deadline: March 1st