



## Types of Exemptions:

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- Residence Homestead
- General
- Age 65 or Older or Disabled
- Veterans Exemption
- Surviving Spouse of First Responder

## How to Apply for an Exemption:

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- Request an application form from Stonewall CAD by mail, phone, or in person.
- Return form to appraisal district along with any necessary supporting information.
- You will be informed if your application needs more information or if it was applied.

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# Property Tax Exemptions

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Stonewall County Appraisal District





## Homestead Exemption

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. Also, with a homestead exemption your taxable value cannot increase by more than 10% each year unless you make improvements or add a structure.

### General Homestead Exemption

Anyone who has an ownership in a home on January 1<sup>st</sup> and uses that home as their primary residence is entitled to a general homestead exemption. A general homestead exemption decreases your taxable value by a mandatory \$100,000 for the school district and \$3,000 for farm to market roads within the County.

### Age 65 or Older or Disabled Homestead Exemption

If you qualify for a general homestead exemption and are 65 or older or are disabled, you qualify for an additional mandatory \$10,000 exemption off of your taxable value for the school district and a local option exemption of \$10,000 off of your taxable value for the county. Additionally, you are entitled to a tax ceiling. Your tax ceiling is the dollar amount of taxes you paid the year you qualified for the exemption. Your tax amount may fall below but never above the tax ceiling for your school taxes on your property as long as you own and live in your home and make no improvements or additions.

The over 65 or disabled exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to a surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home.

## Veteran's Exemptions

You may qualify for a property tax exemption if you are a veteran who was disabled while serving with the US armed services or are the surviving spouse or child (under 18 years of age and unmarried) of a veteran who was killed while on active duty. You must be a Texas resident.

### Veteran's Homestead Exemption

If you are disabled veteran with a 100% service related disability, you are entitled to an exemption that will totally exempt your home from taxation. If your disability rating is below 100% but you are disabled you will qualify for the Disabled Homestead Exemption.

### Additional Veteran's Exemption

The additional Veteran's exemption is available for all disabled Veterans to apply to any other taxable value within all taxing jurisdictions. The amount of exemption is determined by the percentage of service related disability ranging from \$5,000 to \$12,000.



## Surviving Spouse of a First Responder Exemption

Texas Law provides a total property tax exemption on a residence homestead for the surviving spouse of a first responder killed or fatally injured in the line of duty, if the surviving spouse has not remarried. If the surviving spouse moves to a new home, the chief appraiser of the former county will provide the surviving spouse with a written certificate so that the exemption amount of the subsequent qualified homestead can be determined.

## Don't Forget

If you are applying for a residence homestead exemption including a general exemption, age 65 or older or disabled, Veteran's exemption or a surviving spouse exemption, you will need to provide a copy of your drivers' license or state ID with the physical address matching the address of your residence.

If you are applying for the Additional Veteran's exemption you will need to provide a copy of your letter of disability showing your percentage of disability.

For more information or any questions:

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