Homestead Exemption Requirements

1. Homestead applications are taken annually between January 2nd and April 1st.
2. You must own your own home and reside there on or before January 1st of the current year to be eligible for homestead exemption.
3. Your warranty deed or lease must be dated by December 31st of previous year and on file in the Leake County Chancery Clerk’s office by January 7th of the current year.
4. If your home is a mobile home you must certify your mobile home to the land roll for taxation (Miss Code 27-53-15/HB 824 1982) ** Mobile Home Certificate fee $12.00 **

Items needed when applying for Homestead Exemption

** Bring these items with you when filing **

1. Warranty Deed, Assignment of Lease, or Will. (Documents must be recorded in the Leake County Chancery Clerk’s Office)
2. Full purchase price. (Bring your closing/settlement statement)
3. Amount of down payment. (Look on your closing/settlement statement)
4. Social Security Cards. (Married – must bring both spouses social security cards) – (Occupied Joint Ownership – must have all parties’ social security numbers – regardless of relationship)
5. Marriage License. (Even if the spouses name is not on the deed)
6. Tag numbers for ALL automobiles titled in your name, spouse’s name, or Occupied Joint owner. (Your complete tag number is on your tag receipt)
7. Valid proof of Mississippi Identification required. (Valid MS Driver’s License/Valid MS Picture Identification. If MARRIED – must bring both spouses driver’s license)
8. Mobile homes must be certified to the land roll. (Bill of sale or Title Application)
9. Over 65 Exemption – must provide proof. (Valid MS Driver’s License or Birth Certificate)
10. Social Security Disability – must provide proof. (Award Letter from Social Security or Updated TPOY printout from Social Security & Dr.’s Letter)
11. 100% Service Connected Disabled Veteran – must provide proof. (Letter from Veterans Administration with Claim #)

Reasons you may need to refile

MARITAL STATUS CHANGE * PROPERTY SOLD *
ELIGIBLE FOR DIFFERENT TYPE OF EXEMPTION *
BUILT A NEW HOME OR CHANGED RESIDENCES *
PROPERTY COMBINED * ADD PROPERTY TO YOUR CURRENT EXEMPTION *
PERCENTAGE OF ELIGIBILITY CHANGED * BUSINESS ACTIVITY