# Maryland State Department of Assessments & Taxation APPLICATION FOR HOMESTEAD TAX CREDIT ELIGIBILITY

# If you plan to live in this home as your principal residence. you may qualify for the Homestead Property Tax Credit. The Homestead Property Tax Credit may significantly reduce the amount of property taxes you owe.

• The Homestead Tax Credit limits the amount of assessment increase on which eligible homeowners actually pay county, municipal, and state property taxes each year; regardless of your property's value or your income level.

• A married couple may only have one principal residence under the provisions of this law. A homeowner who submits an application that is inconsistent with income tax and motor vehicle records of the State will be required to later submit additional verification in order to be considered for the credit.

- You may file this application online at onestop.md.gov (recommended).
- If you have any questions, please email **sdat.homestead@maryland.gov** or call 410-767-2165 (toll-free 1-866-650-8783).
- This application can be filled out on your PC; if hand-written, please print legibly. Please use black or blue ink only.

### Section I

Before filing this form, please **check the Real Property database** to see if you may have previously filed and been approved for the Homestead Tax Credit, if so there is no need to reapply. The Homestead Credit Eligibility stays in place as long as the dwelling remains your primary residence.

# Enter the SDAT Real Property Tax Identification Number of the property for which Homestead Eligibility is requested.

You must fill-in the property identification number in order to submit this application. The identification number is composed of the two digit county code where the property is located, followed by an account number. This information can be obtained from an assessment notice or by searching the Department's online Real Property database. When using this form the account number displayed must be preceded by the appropriate two digit county code listed below. If you do not have the identification number **click here to search the Real Property database**.

Allegany - 01	Calvert - 05	Charles - 09	Harford - 13	Prince George's - 17	Talbot - 21
Anne Arundel - 02	Caroline - 06	Dorchester - 10	Howard - 14	Queen Anne's - 18	Washington - 22
Baltimore City - 03	Carroll - 07	Frederick - 11	Kent - 15	St. Mary's - 19	Wicomico - 23
Baltimore Co 04	Cecil - 08	Garrett - 12	Montgomery - 16	Somerset - 20	Worcester - 24

 County Code (From above)
 (Identification Number)

 County Code
 Ward
 Section
 Block
 Lot

(For Baltimore City only)

#### Address of the Property for which Application is being made:

Street Address

MD

City



Zip code

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## Section II

YOU MUST ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS AND INCLUDE THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF ALL HOMEOWNER(S) AND SPOUSES' (EVEN IF THEY ARE NOT LISTED AS AN OWNER ON THE DEED). A homeowner is defined as any living person listed on the deed. If there is a change in your residential status and you will no longer occupy the property lot for which you are applying, please contact the Department so we can update our records accordingly.							
1. Is the real property shown on this letter currently used, and expected t the single principal residence of the homeowner(s)?	o be used in the next calendar year as lo						
2. Is this real property address the location where the homeowner(s) exp Maryland income tax return if one is filed?	ect to file their next federal and Not applicable (Not Filing)						
3. Is this real property address the location from which the homeowner(s license or identification card, if applicable? Yes No Not applicable(No License or Identification Ca							
4. Is this real property address the location from which the homeowner(s Yes No Not applicable(Not Registered)	are registered to vote, if registered?						
5. Is any portion of the principal residence rented? Yes No							
All owners <u>must</u> complete the section below. If there are more than four (4 additional names, dates of birth, and Social Security numbers before maili owner.							
Name of Homeowner (First, MI, Last, Suffix) Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Social Security Number or ITIN						

Name of Homeowner (First, Mi, Last, Sullix)		(Individual Taxpayer ID#)
Spouse/2nd Homeowner (First, MI, Last, Suffix)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Social Security Number or ITIN (Individual Taxpayer ID#)
Name of Homeowner (First, MI, Last, Suffix)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Social Security Number or ITIN (Individual Taxpayer ID#)
Name of Homeowner (First, MI, Last, Suffix)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Social Security Number or ITIN (Individual Taxpayer ID#)

In submitting this application I hereby declare under the penalties of perjury, pursuant to Tax-Property Article, 1-201, Annotated Code of Maryland, that the application has been examined by me and the information contained herein, to the best of my knowledge and belief is true, correct and complete and that this property is my principal residence for the prescribed period. I understand that the Department may independently verify the above information by contacting, including but not limited to, the Internal Revenue Service, the Maryland Comptroller's Office and the Motor Vehicle Administration.

Homeowner's Signature	Spouse or Co-Owner's Signature	Date
Telephone Number (Daytime)	Mail completed application to: Department of Assessments and Taxation Homestead Tax Credit Division 700 East Pratt Street 2nd Flr, Ste 2700 Baltimore MD 21202	

#### PENALTIES FOR PERJURY

A person who willfully or with intent to evade payment of a tax under this Article provides false information or a false answer to a property tax interrogatory/ application is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 18 months or both. Tax- Property Article, § 14-1004. For example, it is willful intent for a homeowner to indicate a property is his or her principal residence when the property is used for another purpose, such as a rental or a vacation home.

#### PRIVACY AND STATE DATA SECURITY NOTICE

The principal purpose for which this information is sought is to determine your eligibility for a tax credit. Failure to provide this information will result in a denial of your application. Some of the information requested would be considered a "Personal Record" as defined in State Government Article, § 10-624. Consequently, you have the statutory right to inspect your file and to file a written request to correct or amend any information you believe to be inaccurate or incomplete. Additionally, it is unlawful for any officer or employee of the state or any political subdivision to divulge any income particulars set forth in the application or any tax return filed except in accordance with a judicial or legislative order. However, this information is available to officers of the state, county or municipality in their official capacity and to taxing officials of any other state, or the federal government, as provided by statute.

