



## Municipality of Anchorage Disabled Veteran Exemption Information

Timely Applications accepted through March 15<sup>th</sup> (907) 343-6770, Fax :( 907) 343-6599 [www.muni.org/pa](http://www.muni.org/pa)

**“Disabled Veteran”** means: a disabled person separated from the military service of the United States under a condition that is not dishonorable, who is a resident of the state, whose disability was incurred or aggravated in the line of duty in the military service of the United States, and whose disability has been rated as 50 percent or more service connected disability by the branch of service in which that person served or by the Veteran’s Administration, with an effective date prior to January 1<sup>st</sup> of the applicable tax year.

1. **Applicants that have any changes in ownership, in residency, permanent place of abode, disability or other factor affecting qualification for the exemption, must file each year by March 15<sup>th</sup>.** In addition to the application, the veteran must submit a current letter from the Veteran’s Administration indicating a 50% or more service-connected disability percentage rating and the effective date of the disability.
2. A qualified disabled veteran need not file an application for successive tax years if there is no change in ownership, in residency, permanent place of abode, status of disability, or other factor affecting qualification for the exemption. The assessor may require proof under this section at any time.
3. If the final disability rating required for exemption is not determined until after the period of timely filing has expired, the assessor may waive the claimant’s failure to make timely application and accept the application only if the applicant files the application for exemption with the assessor within 30 days of applicant’s receipt of the final disability rating.
4. **Applicant must own and occupy the property** as their primary residence and permanent place of abode on January 1 of the assessment year for which the exemption is sought. Each subsequent year the property must be owned and occupied a minimum of 185 days per year as the primary residence and when absent, the dwelling is not leased or rented to another.
5. **The applicant may not own other property** that is currently or will be receiving a homeowner, Residential, Senior or Disabled Veteran exemption.
6. **Applicant must be a resident of the State of Alaska for the entire year prior to the exemption year.**
7. **Application must be filled out completely.**
8. **Widow/Widower:** The widow/widower, of a previous program participant, may obtain an exemption under the above requirements. Must provide copies of marriage and death certificates.
9. **If property is recorded into a trust, and you are not the recorded trustee.** We require a copy of the following pages of the trust: First page of Trust, Page Designating you as the owner/trustee, Page that specifically identifies the property placed into trust, and the signature/date witness page.
10. **Change notification:** It is the responsibility of every person who obtains an exemption under this section to notify the assessor of any change in ownership, property use, residency, permanent place of abode, status of disability or other factor affecting qualification for the exemption. **Failure to notify may result in loss of exemption retroactively, payment of back taxes, penalties, and interest for prior years.**
11. If we have any questions, you will receive a phone call and/or letter. Please review your tax bill for the exemption. The tax bill should reference “State Credit”. If it does not; please contact our office immediately regarding the exemption.