

Homestead Application Form



This is to confirm that I am a resident of the City of Canton, Ohio who owns and resides at the address below.

I would like to apply for the ten percent (10%) discount on my City sewer service and the fifty percent (50%) discount on my City sanitation service.

Date _____

Phone# _____

Signature _____

Applicant's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Name of Spouse _____

Date of Birth _____

Acct Name: _____

Address: _____

* Attach Proof of Age and Income for Applicant and Spouse with Application *

CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY FOR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Required Once per Owner

Section 323.151 of the Ohio Revised Code provides, "Permanently and totally disabled" means a person who has, on the first day of January of the year of application for reduction of real estate taxes, some impairment in body or mind, which makes the applicant unfit to work at any substantially remunerative employment, which he/she is reasonably able to perform and, which will, with reasonable probability, continue for an indefinite period of at least 12 months without any present indication of recovery therefrom or who has been certified as permanently and totally disabled by a State or Federal agency having the function to so classify persons.

In accordance with the above, I (we) hereby certify that _____

Applicant

was, on January 1, _____, and is now, permanently and totally disabled by virtue of a

physical disability mental disability

Physician _____ Printed Name of Person Signing _____

Phychologist _____ Address (Please Print) _____

City, State, Zip (Please Print) _____

If Agency: Signature and title of agent _____

For Office Use Only:

Homestead: Y N

Old Acct# _____

Single/Multi Family: S M

Cust/Prem _____

Services: Swr San (circle all that apply)

Parcel# _____



CANTON CITY UTILITIES
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS
for 2014

Who is Eligible?

To qualify for Homestead Exemption the applicant must:

- 1) be at least 65 years old during the the year in which he/she is filing, or be permanently and totally disabled.
- 2) have total income not to exceed 30,500.00
- 3) own and occupy your home as principal place of residence, effective January 1 of the filing year.
- 4) Home must be inside city limits.

Can the surviving spouse of a deceased person, who qualified for homestead exemption, also qualify?

To qualify for Homestead Exemption, the surviving spouse must:

- 1) be the surviving spouse of a deceased person who was permanently disabled or at least 65 years of age, and who applied and qualified for the exemption in the year of his/her death.
- 2) the spouse must be at least 59 years old on the date of the decedent's death.
- 3) meet all other homestead exemption requirements.

What are the specific requirements?

- 1) must file a Homestead Exemption annually and show proof of income. ex: 1st page of Federal Income Tax.
- 2) must occupy the home as of January of the filing year
- 3) must show proof of age (drivers license or birth certificate)

What qualifies as permanently and totally disabled?

1) Section 4503.064 of the Ohio Revised Code states that, "permanently and totally disabled" means a person who has some impairment in body or mind, rendering the person unfit to work at any substantial remunerative employment, which he/she is reasonably able to perform and, which will, within reasonable probability, continue for an indefinite period of at least 12 months without any present indication of recovery therefrom or has been certified as permanently and totally disabled by a state or federal agency having the function of so classifying persons. A Certificate of Disability Form must be filled out once per owner, signed by a licensed physician and submitted with the application for Homestead Exemption.

What are the total income guidelines?

1) total income includes the income of the owner(s) of the home, and includes the income of a spouse of the owner, even though the spouse may not be an actual owner. The basis of total income is Adjusted Gross Income under the Internal Revenue Code and includes compensation, rents, interest, fees, and most other types of total income.

Items that must be included in applicant's income:

- 1) Old Age and Survivors Benefits
- 2) Social Security Benefits
- 3) other retirement benefits, pensions and annuities
- 4) all interest and/or dividend income from whatever source
- 5) spouse's income

Items that are exempt from inclusion in the applicant's income:

- 1) disability payments issued by the Veterans Administration or any branch of the Armed Services
- 2) Worker's Compensation payments

What is the penalty for knowingly providing false information?

The signature of the applicant on the Homestead Exemption application authorizes Canton City Utilities to determine all financial records relating to applicant's income.

A conviction of willfully falsifying information to obtain an assessed value reduction, or failing to report any changes in total income, ownership, disability, or other relevant information on a timely filed, application, shall result in ineligibility for a period of three years, along with a possible fine.

