



## Veteran's Exemptions

There are three different exemptions for veterans. Exemptions are offered for veteran's who served during designated times, veterans with disabilities, and additional exemptions for low income veterans.

### Veteran's Exemption

Per the provisions of §12-89, §12-90 & §12-95.

#### Qualifications -

As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, assessment date, you must:

- Be a Connecticut resident.
- Have served at least 90 days during a time of war or recognized military conflict in the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard.

#### How to apply -

- File your acceptable form of proof of service (Honorable Discharge or DD214) with the town clerk.

#### When to apply -

- You may file your proof of service at any time during the year. However, the exemption will be granted on the next grand list date following your filing date.

#### When to reapply -

- You only have to file your proof of service once for this exemption.

#### Benefits -

- A \$1,000 assessment exemption will be applied to property you own.

### Veterans with Disabilities Exemption

per the provisions of §12-81(20)

#### Qualifications -

As of October 1 of the assessment date, you must:

- Be a Connecticut resident.

- Have a VA disability rating of at least 10%
- Have served at least 90 days in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard or Air Force.

#### How to apply -

- File your acceptable form of proof of service with the town clerk
- AND file your VA rating slip with the Assessor.

#### When to apply -

- For your exemption to apply to a grand list your proof of service must be on file with the Town Clerk by October 1 and VA rating slip must be filed by March 31 following the assessment date.

#### When to reapply -

- You only have to file your proof of service once for this exemption.
- Beginning in 2009 you must file your VA rating slip with the Assessor only once.
  - The exceptions to the one time filing is if the VA rating changes. If your VA rating changes you must file the new rating with the Assessor.

#### Benefits -

- A reduction of an assessment will be applied to property you own based on the following:

VA Rating	the reduction is
10% to 25%	\$1,500
26% to 50%	\$2,000
51% to 75%	\$2,500

76% to 100%	\$3,000
Rated & 65 + yr.	\$3,000

### Additional Veteran's Exemption

per the provisions of §12-81g(a) & (b).

#### Qualifications -

As of October 1 of the assessment date, you must:

- Be a Connecticut resident.
- Be qualified for one of the above Veteran's exemptions for an additional 50% or
- Be qualified for one of the above Veteran's exemptions and meet annual income guidelines for an additional 200%.

#### How to apply -

- The 50% additional exemption does not require any application or proof.
- Contact the assessor's office for an appointment to complete an application for the additional 200% exemption.
- For the additional 200% exemption you will need to provide proof of your income from the prior year. Proof includes:
  - Income Tax Return (signed) – if filing an income tax return
  - Social Security Benefit Statement - Form SSA-1099
  - Statement of Wages and Tips (W-2)
  - Interest statements (1099) from savings and checking accounts

- Statements of annuity, pension, or dividend payments.
- Statements of veteran's pension and veteran's disability payments.

#### When to apply -

- For the additional 200% exemption to apply to a grand list you must apply between February 1 and October 1 of the grand list year.

#### When to reapply -

- To continue this additional 200% exemption you must complete an application and be approved every two years.

#### Benefits -

- This exemption is based on the other Veteran exemption you are already receiving. An additional reduction in assessment will be applied to property you own based on the following:

	No app.	With app.
War/conflict service	\$ 500	\$2,000
VA Rating 10%-25%	\$ 750	\$3,000
VA Rating 26%-50%	\$1,000	\$4,000
VA Rating 51%-75%	\$1,250	\$5,000
VA Rating 76%-100%	\$1,500	\$6,000
VA Rated & 65 + yr	\$1,500	\$6,000

### Exemptions for Active Duty Service Personnel

#### CT resident active-duty serviceperson

##### Qualifications -

As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, assessment date, you must:

- Be a Connecticut resident.
- Be a member of the armed forces.
- Have a vehicle registered in Connecticut in your name.

#### How to apply -

- A written application on approved form must be filed in the Assessor's Office.

#### When to apply -

- You must apply within 15 months of the October 1<sup>st</sup> assessment date. Exemption sought for the October 1, 2014 grand list means the application must be filed no later than December 31, 2015.

#### Benefits -

- The total exemption of one passenger motor vehicle.

#### Federal Servicemember's Civil Relief Act

##### Qualifications -

As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, assessment date, you must:

- Be a member of the armed forces stationed locally.
- Your home of record must be a state other than Connecticut.

#### How to apply -

- The application is made in the form of an affidavit that is available in the Assessor's office or from the serviceman's Legal Assistance Officer. The completed form is to be completed and notarized and returned to the assessor.

#### When to apply -

- There is no time limit for filing an exemption application under this act.

#### Benefit -

- The exemption is for all non-business personal property the serviceperson owns. For most servicepersons this means motor vehicles.



## Veterans & Serviceperson Exemptions



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