

## BOROUGH RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION Overview

### What is it?

A tax break offered by the Borough to property owners. If you are eligible and do not owe property tax on your residence you can receive a reduction in your assessed value equal to \$50,000 of the assessed value for non-area wide property & City of North Pole Assessments, except that a maximum of \$10,000 is applied to service area assessments. Qualified homeowners in the City of Fairbanks can receive an exemption equal to 20% of the assessed value, up to a maximum of \$20,000, with a maximum of \$10,000 applied to service area assessments.

### Do I qualify?

1. You must be an owner of record (have your name on title) as of January 1 of the calendar year you are seeking the exemption. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)
2. You must reside on that parcel as your primary residence on or before January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.

### How do I apply?

The application for the Residential Exemption is attached to the bottom of your Assessment Notice. The Assessment Notice is mailed annually, at the end of January. In order to apply you must sign, date the application and return it to the Assessing Department by March 31<sup>st</sup>. You can drop off the application in person at our office or mail it to the Assessing Department postmarked before the deadline date. WE cannot accept applications via fax or email. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same.

**Documentation needed to apply:** Trust Document (if applicable)

## SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION Overview

### What is it?

A tax break mandated by the State offered to property owners. Assuming full eligibility, you can receive a reduction of up to \$150,000 of your assessed value. For details on the program and additional information on eligibility requirements, please see the Exemption Facts for Senior Citizen Widow/Widower document available on our web page and in our office.

### Do I qualify?

1. You must be an owner of record (have your name on title) as of January 1 of the calendar year you are seeking the exemption. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)
2. You must own and occupy the property as your primary residence and permanent place of abode on or before January 1 of the calendar year you are seeking the exemption.
3. You must be at least 65 prior to January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.

### How do I apply?

You must apply in person with the Assessing Department. The process takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same.

**Documentation needed to apply:** Driver's License, State ID, Military ID OR Passport. Trust Document (if applicable)

## WIDOW/WIDOWER of a Senior Citizen EXEMPTION Overview

### What is it?

A tax break mandated by the State offered to property owners. Assuming full eligibility, you can receive a reduction of up to \$150,000 of your assessed value. For details on the program and additional information on eligibility requirements, please see the Exemption Facts for Senior Citizen Widow/Widower document available on our web page and in our office.

### Do I qualify?

1. You must be an owner of record (have your name on title) as of January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)
2. You must own and occupy the parcel as your permanent place of abode on or before January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.
3. You must be a Widow/Widower of a Senior Citizen who either previously qualified or would have qualified for the Senior Citizen exemption and have not re-married.
4. You must be at least 60 years of age prior to January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.

### How do I apply?

You must apply in person with the Assessing Department. The process takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same.

### Documentation needed to apply:

Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, **OR** Passport. Death Certificate of deceased spouse and proof that the Senior Citizen was residing in the FNSB, in a home owned as their primary residence and permanent place of abode. Trust Document (if applicable)

## DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION Overview

### What is it?

A tax break mandated by the State offered to property owners. Assuming full eligibility, you can receive a reduction of up to \$150,000 of your assessed value. For details on the program and additional information on eligibility requirements, please see the Exemption Facts for Disabled Veteran Widow/Widower document available on our web page and in our office.

### Do I qualify?

1. You must be an owner of record (have your name on title) as of January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)
2. You must own and occupy the parcel as your permanent place of abode on or before January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.
3. You must be a resident of the state of Alaska and reside on the property for at least 185 days per calendar year.
4. You must be declared by the Veterans Administration 50% or more disabled.

### How do I apply?

You must apply in person with the Assessing Department. The process takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same. Please note, unless declared permanently disabled by the VA, the applicant is required to submit an updated letter from the VA stating the percentage of disability annually.

Please See Next Page for Documentation needed to apply

## DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION Overview continued

**Documentation needed to apply:** Driver's License or State ID, Military ID or Passport and VA summary of benefits indicating the evaluation %. Trust Document (if applicable)

## WIDOW/WIDOWER of a Disabled Veteran EXEMPTION Overview

**What is it?** A tax break mandated by the State offered to property owners. Assuming full eligibility, you can receive a reduction of up to \$150,000 of your assessed value. For details on the program and additional information on eligibility requirements, please see the Exemption Facts for Disabled Veteran Widow/Widower document available on our web page and in our office.

**Do I qualify?**

1. You must be an owner of record (have your name on title) as of January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)
2. You must own and occupy the parcel as your permanent place of abode on or before January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.
3. You must be a resident of the state of Alaska and reside on the property for at least 185 days per calendar year.
4. You must be a widow/widower of a Disabled Veteran who either previously qualified or would have qualified for the Disabled Veteran exemption and have not re-married.
5. You must be at least 60 years of age prior to January 1 of the tax year you are seeking the exemption.

**How do I apply?** You must apply in person with the Assessing Department. The process takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same.

**Documentation needed to apply:** Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, **OR** Passport. Marriage certificate, death certificate, proof of residency and disability rating information. In the event the Disabled Veteran never applied for the exemption, documentation that supports the Disabled Veteran was residing in the FNSB, in a home owned as their primary residence and permanent place of abode. Trust Document (if applicable)

## IRVING HERNANDEZ EXEMPTION Overview

### What is it?

A tax break offered under Alaska Statute 29.45.050 and offered by the Borough to property owners who are a widow/widower of a member of the armed forces of the U.S. who dies because of the injury or complications related to the injury or its treatment. Assuming full eligibility, you can receive full exemption of property tax.

### Do I qualify?

1. You must be an unmarried surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces of the U.S., injured serving on active duty while eligible for hostile fire or imminent danger pay, who dies because of the injury or complications related to the injury or its treatment.
2. Must be a resident of the state of AK who is residing on the property for at least 185 days per calendar year.
3. You must have owned and occupied the property on or before January 1<sup>st</sup> of the assessment year as your permanent place of abode for which the exemption is sought. Property cannot be in a business name (LLC, partnership or corporation etc.)

### How do I apply?

You must apply in person with the Assessing Department. The process takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Once on the program, you do not have to re-apply as long as there isn't a change in title & the parcel description remains the same. You must provide the listed documentation below when applying.

### Documentation needed to apply:

Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, **OR** Passport and official copy of the DD FORM 1300 Military Death Certificate.

## OTHER EXEMPTIONS/TAX BREAKS AVAILABLE:

*Farm Use Exemption, Fire Prevention, Disaster Relief,  
Volunteer Emergency Medical/Volunteer Fire Fighter Services Exemption.*

For more information concerning these exemptions, please contact **(907) 459-1428** or visit our web page at [www.fnsb.gov/162/Assessing](http://www.fnsb.gov/162/Assessing)