

# REGULAR HOMESTEAD APPLICATION



## For Office Use Only

Parcel #(s): \_\_\_\_\_

New Code(s): Rec 1- \_\_\_\_\_

Rec 2- \_\_\_\_\_

Rec 3- \_\_\_\_\_

ASSESSMENT YEAR, FOR PAY \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ MID YEAR ☐ FULL YEAR APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

**The following questions pertain to the property for which you wish to acquire homestead. Ownership, occupancy must be established by December 31<sup>st</sup> and receipt of this application must be by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year for which you are applying for Homestead.**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner(s) on Deed: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Spouse must also sign application and provide social security number if occupying property\*\***

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Date of Purchase \_\_\_\_\_

2. Date of Permanent Occupancy: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Please provide previous address: \_\_\_\_\_

3a. Were you receiving homestead at your previous address? Yes ☐ No ☐

3b. Do you still own this property? Yes ☐ No ☐

4. Will you be changing your address on your driver's license? Yes ☐ No ☐

4a. If no, explain why and list the address used: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Are you a Minnesota Resident? Yes ☐ No ☐

6. Will you file your Minnesota Income Tax using your new property address? Yes ☐ No ☐

7. Is this property your: permanent home ☐ seasonal home ☐

8. Are you applying for Agricultural Homestead? Yes ☐ No ☐

*(There must be at least 10 acres of agricultural production to apply for the Agricultural Classification)*

If yes, complete and attach the Agricultural Use Survey

***By signing this document, you certify that you (and your spouse if applicable) are a Minnesota resident and occupy the property described above as your primary place of residence. You also certify that the information you provided is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.***

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return this application to: MORRISON COUNTY LAND SERVICES  
213 FIRST AVENUE SE  
LITTLE FALLS, MN 56345  
320-632-0170 OR Toll Free: 1-866-401-1111, Ext. 170

**READ BACK BEFORE SIGNING**

## **APPLYING FOR THE HOMESTEAD CLASSIFICATION**

To apply for the homestead classification for your residence, you must fill out this application. To qualify for the homestead classification, you must:

- occupy the property listed on this application as your primary residence
- be one of the owners of the property listed on this application, and
- be a Minnesota resident.

Your County Assessor will determine whether you are a Minnesota resident for purposes of the homestead classification. You may be considered to be a Minnesota resident if all or some of the following conditions apply to you:

- you are registered to vote in Minnesota;
- you have a valid Minnesota driver's licence;
- you file a Minnesota income tax return;
- you list a property in Minnesota as your permanent mailing address;
- you are employed by a business located in Minnesota;
- your children, if any, attend school in Minnesota; and/or
- you are not a resident of any other state or country.

State law (MS 273.124, Subd. 13) requires that the Social Security numbers and signatures of the owners occupying this property appear on this application. If there is not enough space for all required signatures and Social Security numbers, use an extra sheet and include it with the application.

Social Security numbers are confidential information. Under state law (MS 273.124, Subd. 13) they may be given by your County Assessor to the Minnesota Department of Revenue to determine whether you have applied for the homestead classification for other properties.

### **Penalties**

A property owner who obtains or attempts to obtain homestead classification for a property other than his or her primary place of residence or the primary place of residence of his or her relative is under state law subject to a fine of up to \$3,000 and/or up to one year of imprisonment (MS 609.41). In addition, the property owner will be required to pay all tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the difference between the tax based on the homestead classification and that based on the property's correct class (MS 273.124, Subd. 13).

### **Do You Own Another Property In Which Your Relative Lives?**

In addition to your own homestead, you may be able to obtain homestead classification for property you own in Minnesota in which your relative lives as his or her residence. To receive homestead classification, the property must be the residence of any of the following: child, stepchild, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, parent, stepparent, parent-in-law, grandchild, grandparent, brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew. Husbands and wives qualify only under special circumstances. Contact the County Assessor's office in the county where the property is located to get an application form.

### ***IF YOU MOVE....***

***If at any time you sell the property or change your primary residence, state law requires you to notify the County Assessor within 30 days. If you fail to notify the assessor within 30 days, you will be required to pay the tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty.***