HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

The Louisiana Homestead Exemption exempts the payment of property taxes on the first \$75,000 of a home's fair market value. To qualify for homestead exemption, you must own and occupy the residence.*

Taxpayers are entitled to only one homestead exemption in the State of Louisiana.

*Homes purchased through a Bond for Deed do not qualify for homestead exemption.



My staff and I want your homestead exemption application process to be as simple and efficient as possible. Please do not hesitate to call or stop by our office if you have any questions or concerns. You may also visit our website for more information. Thank you, and we look forward to serving you."

> - Tab Troxler St. Charles Parish Assessor

For more information, call or email: 985.783.6281 assessor@stcharlesassessor.com

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Visit Our Office (M-F 8:30 AM through 4:00 PM)

The entire application process can be completed in 15 minutes. You will need to provide the following:

- The amount of insurance coverage you carry on your home.
- Proof of the home's square footage, which can be found in either an appraisal or your house plans.
- If you cannot locate proof of your home's square footage, the Assessor's Office can send someone to measure your home.

OR...

Schedule an Appointment at Your Property

We can meet at your convenience, help you complete the application, and measure the exterior of the home in one visit. Please call or e-mail us to arrange a time.

When to Apply

There is no deadline to apply for your exemption, and homestead exemptions are allowed during any year in which the owner occupied the home prior to December 31st. However, we recommend you apply immediately after closing, or as soon as construction is complete.

ANSWERS TO COMMON QUESTIONS

Q: If I purchase a new home, does my homestead exemption automatically transfer to my new home?

A: No, you must apply for homestead exemption on your new home.

Q: How do I renew my homestead exemption?

A: Renewal is easy! Every January, a renewal card will be mailed to you. Please sign and return the card to the Assessor's Office.

Q: Are there any other exemptions for homeowners?

A: Yes*, you may be eligible for an assessment freeze if you are:

Disabled • Over age 65 • A disabled veteran

*income limits may apply

For more information, please contact our office or visit our website, www.stcharlesassessor.com

BY THE NUMBERS

A \$75,000 homestead exemption makes a big difference when paying your property taxes.

Example:

You own a home with a market value of \$200,000. Without a homestead exemption, you would pay taxes on the entire value of \$200,000. With a homestead exemption, you would pay taxes on only \$125,000 of the total value.

Fair Market Value (\$200,000)

- Homestead Exemption (75,000)

Taxable Amount (\$125,000)

In this example, the homestead exemption saves the homeowner \$853 in property taxes each year.

To get an estimate of your property taxes: visit: **www.stcharlesassessor.com** then click: **"Tax Estimator"**





