

TAX TIPS FOR VETERANS

A guide to Property Tax Exemptions for SC Veterans, Medal of Honor Recipients, and POWs

VETERANS

What is the Property Tax Exemption for veterans?

- Veterans may qualify for a tax exemption on home and land, up to five acres.
- Two private passenger vehicles owned or leased by the veteran solely or the spouse of the disabled veteran if the spouse resides with the veteran and the vehicle is registered at that same address, and/or jointly titled with their spouse.

Do I qualify?

- Veterans deemed totally and permanently service-connected disabled by the VA qualify for the exemption.

MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS AND POWS

Medal of Honor Recipients and POWs qualify for:

- A tax exemption on home and land, up to one acre.
- Two private passenger vehicles owned or leased by the Medal Recipient or POW.

EXEMPTIONS FOR A SURVIVING SPOUSE

- One vehicle registered solely in surviving spouse's name.
- Home exemption if the home is solely titled to the surviving spouse and classified as the legal residence by the county assessor's office.
- For a full explanation, visit dor.sc.gov/exempt-property.

HOW DO I APPLY?

You will need to fill out an application and provide these documents:

- **A VA letter**, certifying you are totally and permanently service-connected disabled with the effective date.
- For vehicles, a copy of the **SC registration card, SC bill of sale, or SC title**. For vehicles registered or purchased out of state you will need to pay the taxes upfront.
- For home and land, **a copy of the recorded deed and proof of legal residence approval from the county assessor's office**.
- **A marriage certificate** if home or vehicles are owned jointly with a spouse.

The quickest and easiest way to apply is through **MyDORWAY**, our free online tax portal.

- You can use **MyDORWAY** to fill out the application and submit your supporting documents.
- You may not be able to sign up for a **MyDORWAY** account if you are not required to file an SC Individual Income Tax return. In that case, **apply without creating an account**.
- Go to MyDORWAY at **mydorway.dor.sc.gov** and click **Exempt Property Application** to get started.
- You need the **confirmation code** from your application and the **email address** used for the submission, or **your SSN and legal name**.
- You can also submit your application by mail or in-person.
 - Download a **Property Tax Exemption Application for Individuals (PT-401-I)** at **dor.sc.gov/forms** and include the completed form with your supporting documents.
- You can check the status of your application from the **MyDORWAY** homepage.
 - Click **Exempt Property Application**, then **Check Property Exemption Status**.
- You can still view your Property Tax exemption history, including your current application status, using our Property Exemption Status Check tool.

Questions?

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