

# **Disabled Veterans Exemption**

**This is a Commonwealth imposed law.**

## **Per Department of Veterans Services Commonwealth of Virginia:**

Veteran must be 100% service connected totally and permanently disabled **OR** totally and permanently disabled and be paid at the 100% rate due to being unemployable. The exemption is up to 1 acre of land, primary residence, and other improvements that house or covers motor vehicles or household goods and is for personal, not business purpose. Manufactured homes are now exempt as real property even if the veteran does not own the land.

Spouse of military service member killed in action as determined by the U.S. Department of Defense will receive the disabled veteran's exemption.

## **Veteran should bring:**

1. Summary of benefits letter issued by the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs;
2. Photo Identification; and
3. Proof of residence occupancy, such as a utility bill.

## **Surviving Spouse should bring:**

1. Summary of benefits letter issued by the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, in the event the Veteran was not previously exempted from local real estate tax.
2. Death certification to confirm date is after December 31, 2010;
3. A certified certificate of marriage from the appropriate State office of records; and
4. Proof of residence occupancy, such as a utility bill.

**When applying for real estate tax exemption, the critical item a veteran is required to present is his/her summary of benefits letter from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has prepared a short letter that is intended to address the needs and requirements of over 22 different states.**

# Mecklenburg County, Virginia

Real Estate Assessor's Office

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## Verification of Exemption for Disabled Veterans

Under Code of Virginia 58.1-3219.5 to receive Exemption for Disabled Veterans, Veterans or their surviving spouse must file this form with the Commissioner of the Revenue. The veteran shall provide documentation from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor agency indicating that the veteran has a service-connected, permanent and total disability and being paid at the 100% rate due to unemployability. You must also provide a copy of your Drivers License/Photo ID and Utility Bill to prove that the property is utilized as the principal residence for the qualifying veteran or qualifying spouse.

**Note:** The surviving spouse of a veteran is eligible for the exemption if the death of the veteran occurs on or after January 1, 2011, the surviving spouse does not remarry, and the surviving spouse continues to occupy the real property as his/her principal place of residence.

<b>Veteran Name:</b>	
<b>Spouse/Surviving Spouse Name:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	
<b>Property owned jointly? (Yes/No)</b>	<b>Principle residence? (Yes/No)</b>
<b>Telephone Number:</b>	<b>Email Address:</b>

I/We declare, under penalties provided by law, that this affidavit has been examined by me/us and to the best of my/our knowledge and belief is true, correct, and complete.

_____ Signature of Veteran	_____ Date
_____ Signature of Spouse/Surviving Spouse	_____ Date
_____ Signature of Preparer (if not Veteran)	_____ Date

### Internal Use:

Owner of Record:	
Map Number:	
Parcel Record Number	
Qualifies:(yes/no)	
If no, explain why:	