



Where May I File for Homestead Exemption?

File in person at:

Main Office:

1800 27th Street, Building B
Vero Beach, Florida 32960
Tel: (772) 226-1469
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Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00

Sebastian Office:

1901 U.S. 1
Sebastian, FL 32958
Tel: (772) 226-1133

Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00

Oceanside Complex:

3003 Cardinal Drive
Vero Beach, Florida 32963
Tel: (772) 226-1469

Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00



Wesley Davis

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
PROPERTY APPRAISER

**“Your Property is
Our Priority”**

Homestead Exemption Requirements and Property Appraisal Calendar

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HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

1. Florida Voters Registration (if you vote)
2. Florida Drivers License (if you drive)
3. Florida Registration for Car (if you own a car)
4. Current Utility Bill for Service in Your Name Prior to January 1
5. Social Security Number (all owners)
6. If the residence has been placed in a trust, please bring a copy of said trust.

*ALL ITEMS must be obtained **before** JANUARY 1, for the year you file. Bring all of the above for each owner appearing on deed. If you do not vote, drive, or own a car, a declaration of domicile can prove Florida residency.*

LOW-INCOME SENIOR EXEMPTION

Application Deadline: MARCH 1

To Qualify:

1. At least one OWNER in the HOUSEHOLD must be at least 65 years of age.
2. All owners must be approved for Homestead Exemption for the current tax year.
3. Total HOUSEHOLD income must not exceed the amount adjusted January 1 by the Department of Revenue based on the Consumer Price Index.

To Apply:

1. Proof of Age i.e. Florida Drivers License or ID Card, etc.
2. Income verification for ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS i.e. IRS Form 1040, if filed, and all W-2 and 1099 forms.

The Legislature has provided relief in the form of tax deferral for those owning homestead property who may need it. Please contact the tax collector for details.

AMENDMENT 10 - Effective January 1, 1994 Limits assessment increases on Homestead property to the lesser of the Cost of Living index or 3%.

PROPERTY APPRAISAL CALENDAR

January 1

Assessment Date: ALL VALUES, exemptions and classifications are determined as of this date each year.

All Year

May pre-file for exemptions and classifications for next year.

March 1

LAST DAY TO FILE FOR ANY EXEMPTION OR CLASSIFICATION for current tax year.

March 2 Thru End of TRIM Period

Late filing of Homestead, with hardship reason for having missed March 1 deadline.

April 1

Last day to file Tangible Personal Property return without penalty.

April 1 - June 30

Property Appraiser must notify any applicant for exemption or classification IF DENIED.

August

Property Appraiser mails "TRIM" notice (Notice of Proposed Property Taxes) to all property owners. This notice is a review of the tax roll and contains your ASSESSED VALUE as well as information on protests and exemptions.

August - September

25 day period, starting with mailing of notices, in which you may discuss your value with the Property Appraiser's staff, or discuss government spending with taxing authorities. Dates of Public Hearings on budgets (taxes) are on the TRIM notice. LAST DAY TO FILE PROTEST OF VALUATION/OR EXEMPTION is contained in the TRIM notice. It is difficult to reduce assessments after this date.

October-December

Value Adjustment Board hearings held to review challenges to Appraisers Assessed Value. If you plan to challenge the Property Appraiser's assessed value you must pay a filing fee and complete a petition form, which MUST BE FILED BY THE DEADLINE stated in the TRIM notice

About October 10

The tax roll is CERTIFIED to the Tax Collector. It is ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE to change assessments after this date.

November 1

Tax Collector mails Tax Bills.

60 Days After Certification

Last day to file suit in Circuit Court to protest assessment or exemption decisions.