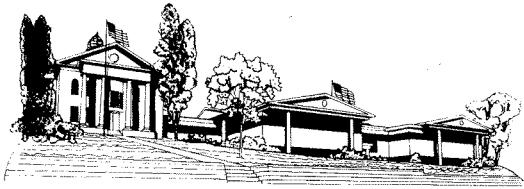


Parcel # _____

RELATIVE HOMESTEAD

DUE BY: _____



**COUNTY OF DODGE
APPLICATION FOR RELATIVE
HOMESTEAD CLASSIFICATION**

Dodge County Assessor, 22 6th St East – Dept 44, Mantorville MN 55955

For Office Use Only		Received Date	
Full Homestead _____	Assessment Year _____	20	
Change in Ownership _____	Taxable Year _____	20	
Life Estate/Trust _____			
Mid-Year Homestead _____			

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL THAT APPLIES TO OCCUPANCY

Owner(s) _____ Relative(s) _____

Property Address _____

DATE OCCUPIED BY APPLICANT: _____

RELATIVE WHO OCCUPIES THE PROPERTY

(1) PRINT FULL NAME _____

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SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____ DAYTIME PHONE _____

(2) PRINT FULL NAME _____

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SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____ DAYTIME PHONE _____

OWNER OF PROPERTY

(1) PRINT FULL NAME _____

Address _____ Relationship to occupant _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Daytime Phone _____

(2) PRINT FULL NAME _____

Address _____ Relationship to occupant _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Daytime Phone _____

Applying for the residential relative homestead classification

How to apply

To apply for the residential relative homestead classification, you must fill out this application. To qualify for the homestead classification, you must: (All three must apply.)

1. Occupy the property listed on this application as your primary residence.
2. Be a qualifying relative to one of the owners of the property listed on this application. The relative may be the owner's parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece. This relationship may be either by blood or by marriage.
3. Be a Minnesota resident.

Your county assessor will determine if you are a Minnesota resident for homestead purposes. Some of the conditions that may be used to determine your residency status include:

- Are you registered to vote in Minnesota?
- Do you have a valid Minnesota driver's license?
- Do you file a Minnesota income tax return?
- Do you list property in Minnesota as your permanent mailing address?
- Do your children, if any, attend school in Minnesota?
- Are you a resident of any other state or country?

Application deadline

The homestead application must be turned into the county assessor's office by December 15 to be eligible for the homestead classification for taxes payable in the following year.

Property tax refunds

Neither the owner of the property nor the related occupant may claim a property tax refund or the special property tax refund on a property receiving the relative homestead classification.

Required information

Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13 requires Social Security numbers and signatures of **all owners of the property and the qualifying relatives occupying the property** to be listed on this application.

If there is not enough space on the application for all required signatures and Social Security numbers, please use an extra sheet and include it with the application.

How we use information

The Social Security numbers or affidavits or other proofs of property owners and qualifying relatives and spouses are private data. Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, authorizes the collection of Social Security numbers and signatures of all applicants, including spouses, on homestead applications.

The county assessor may share the information contained on this form with the county auditor, county treasurer, county attorney, Commissioner of Revenue, or other federal, state or local taxing authorities to verify your compliance with this and other tax programs.

You can refuse to provide the information on this form. However, failure to provide this information may result in a fractional homestead or denial of the homestead classification.

Penalties

Making false statements on this application is against the law.

Minnesota Statutes, section 609.41 states that anyone giving false information in order to avoid or reduce their tax obligations is subject to a fine of up to \$3,000 and/or up to one year in prison.

In addition, the property owner may be required to pay all tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class, plus a penalty equal to the same amount. (Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, paragraph h)

Renewing your homestead classification

If this property is granted the homestead classification, it is not necessary for you to reapply for the classification.

However, at any time, the county assessor may require you to provide an additional application or other proof deemed necessary to verify that you continue to qualify for the homestead classification.

If you sell, move or change your marital status

If this property is sold, the primary residence of the qualifying relative or his/her spouse changes or their marital status changes, state law requires the owner to notify the county assessor within 30 days.

If you fail to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change, the property may be assessed the tax that is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the same amount.

Please return this application to: Dodge County Assessor's Office
22 E. 6th Street, Dept. 44
Mantorville, MN 55955-2205

Phone: (507) 635-6245

Fax: (507) 635-6255

E-mail: dodge.assessor@co.dodge.mn.us