



Harris County
Appraisal District

FORM 11.43 (10/13)

Affidavit as Proof of Eligibility for Residence Homestead Exemption

Account Number:

Tax Year:

Instructions for completing this form are on the back of the form. Return to Harris County Appraisal District, P. O. Box 922012, Houston, Texas 77292-2012. The district is located at 13013 Northwest Fwy, Houston, TX 77040. For questions, call (713) 957-7800.

Owner's Name: (person completing application):

Current Mailing Address: (number and street):

City, State, ZIP code:

Driver's license/State ID Number or SSN:*

Birth Date:

Percent Ownership in Property:

Other Owner's Name and Percent Ownership:

Phone (area code and number):

***REQUIRED: Attach a copy of your Texas driver's license or state-issued ID card. The physical address of your homestead must match the address on your Texas driver's license or state-issued ID card. Pursuant to Tax Code Section 11.43(f), you are required to furnish this information. A driver's license number, personal identification certificate number, or social security account number provided in an application for an exemption filed with a chief appraiser is confidential and not open to public inspection. The information may not be disclosed to anyone other than an employee of the appraisal office who appraises property, except as authorized by Tax Code Section 11.48(b).**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

ATTACH COPY OF YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE I.D. CARD

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____
known to me and who, being by me duly sworn on oath, deposed and said:

"My name is _____. I have owned the property described below and occupied it as my
principal residence since _____. I further attest that I am not receiving a homestead exemption on any other property."

Property Address _____

Legal Description _____

The above property is my principal residence and is qualified for the exemption type indicated below.

☐ **GENERAL RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION** (Tax Code Section 11.13): You may qualify for this exemption if for the current year and, if filing a late application, for the year for which you are seeking an exemption: (1) you owned this property on January 1; (2) you occupied it as your principal residence on January 1; and (3) you and your spouse do not claim a residence homestead exemption on any other property.

☐ **DISABLED PERSON EXEMPTION** (Tax Code Section 11.13(c), (d)): You may qualify for this exemption if you are under a disability for purposes of payment of disability insurance benefits under Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance. You can't receive an age 65 or older exemption if you receive this exemption.

☐ **AGE 65 OR OLDER EXEMPTION** (Tax Code Section 11.13(c), (d)): You may qualify for this exemption if you are 65 years or older. You may qualify for the year in which you become age 65. You cannot receive a disability exemption if you receive this exemption.

☐ **SURVIVING SPOUSE OF INDIVIDUAL WHO QUALIFIED FOR AGE 65 OR OLDER EXEMPTION UNDER TAX CODE SECTION 11.13(d)** (Tax Code Section 11.13(q)): You may qualify for this exemption if: (1) your deceased spouse died in a year in which he or she qualified for the exemption under Tax Code Section 11.13(d); (2) you were 55 years of age or older when your deceased spouse died; and (3) the property was your residence homestead when your deceased spouse died and remains your residence homestead. You can't receive this exemption if you receive an exemption under Tax Code Section 11.13(d).

Name of Deceased Spouse

Date of Death

☐ **100% DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION** (Tax Code Section 11.131): You may qualify for this exemption if you are a disabled veteran who receives from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor: (1) 100 percent disability compensation due to a service-connected disability; and (2) a rating of 100 percent disabled or individual unemployability.

☐ **SURVIVING SPOUSE OF DISABLED VETERAN WHO QUALIFIED FOR THE 100% DISABLED VETERAN'S EXEMPTION** (Tax Code Section 11.131): You may qualify for this exemption if you were married to a disabled veteran who qualified for an exemption under Tax Code Section 11.131 at the time of his or her death and: (1) you have not remarried since the death of the disabled veteran and (2) the property was your residence homestead when the disabled veteran died and remains your residence homestead.

Name of Deceased Spouse

Date of Death

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this the _____ day of _____, _____.

Signature of Affiant

Notary Public, State of Texas

My commission Expires _____

Affidavit as Proof of Eligibility for Residential Homestead Exemption Instructions

•General Residence Homestead Exemptions: You may only apply for residence homestead exemptions on one property in a tax year. A homestead exemption may include up to 20 acres of land that you actually use in the residential use (occupancy) of your home. Arbitrary factors that are unrelated to that use, such as acreage limits, matching legal descriptions, and contiguous parcels, may not be considered in determining if the land qualifies. To qualify for a homestead exemption, you must own and reside in your home on January 1 of the tax year. If you temporarily move away from your home, you still can qualify for an exemption if you don't establish another principal residence and you intend to return in a period of less than two (2) years. Homeowners in military service outside the U.S. or in a facility providing services related to health, infirmity, or aging may exceed the two-year period.

•Over-65 or Disability Exemptions: You may receive an over-65 or disability homestead exemption immediately upon qualification for the exemption. If you have not provided your birth date on this application, you must apply before the first anniversary of your qualification date to receive the exemption in that tax year. For example, if you turn 65 or are disabled on June 1 of the current year, you have until May 31 of the next year to apply for the current tax year's over-65 or disability exemption. This special provision only applies to an over-65 or disability exemption and not to other exemptions for which you may apply.

Disability Exemptions. You are entitled to the exemption if you meet the Social Security Administration's tests for disability. In simplest terms:

- 1) You must have a medically determinable physical or mental impairment;
- 2) The impairment must prevent you from engaging in **any** substantial gainful activity; and
- 3) The impairment must be expected to last for at least 12 continuous months or to result in death.

Alternatively, you will qualify if you are 55 or older and blind and cannot engage in your previous work because of your blindness.

To verify your eligibility, attach a copy of your disability determination letter from Social Security (or other recognized retirement system), or have your physician complete and mail us the HCAD form titled ***Physician's Statement Verifying Eligibility for Disability Homestead Exemption.***

•Tax Limitations: The over-65 or disability exemption for school taxes includes a school tax limitation, or ceiling. Other types of taxing units – county, city, or junior college – have the option to grant a tax limitation on homesteads of homeowners who are disabled or 65 years of age or older.

•100% Disabled Veterans: Certain disabled veterans are eligible for 100% exemptions for their residence homesteads. Current documentation from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) must be submitted to prove that the veteran receives full VA compensation and is either rated at 100% disabled or has a determination of unemployability from the VA. If you qualify for this exemption after Jan. 1 of the tax year you may receive the exemption for the portion of the year for which you qualify.

•Surviving Spouse Extensions:

Age 65 or older – You qualify for an extension of this exemption if (1) you are 55 years of age or older on the date your spouse died and (2) your deceased spouse was receiving the over-65 exemption on this residence homestead or would have applied and qualified for the exemption in the year of the spouse's death.

Disabled: You will not qualify for a disability exemption claimed by your deceased spouse. You are not entitled to continue the school tax limitation; however, you will be entitled to continue the local option county, city or junior college limitation. 100% Disabled Veteran. You qualify for an extension of this exemption if, at the time of the veteran's death, you were married and this property was your residence. If you re-marry, the exemption ends.

Owner's Name and Address.

- A. Print your name clearly under Owner's Name.
- B. Print your current mailing address.
- C. **Write your Texas driver's license number or Texas state-issued ID card number in the box. IMPORTANT - Attach a copy of your driver's license or state-issued personal identification certificate. The address listed on your driver's license or state-issued personal identification certificate must correspond to the address of the property for which an exemption is claimed in this application. In certain cases, you are exempt from these requirements or the chief appraiser may waive the requirements.**

- D. Complete all information requested on the affidavit.

Describe the property.

Enter the information requested. Enter the number of acres used for residential purposes. **If you are applying for a residential homestead exemption for a manufactured home, you must complete page 3.**

Check exemptions that apply to you.

Complete by checking the boxes that apply. If you check the disability exemption, attach documents verifying your disability. If a surviving spouse, enter all information requested.

Execute this affidavit before a Notary Public or other official authorized to administer oaths. Making false statements on your exemption application is a criminal offense.

To obtain a list of taxing units and the exemptions each taxing unit offers, visit www.hcad.org or call (713) 957-7800.



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Houston, Texas 77292-2012
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Affidavit for Manufactured Home Homestead Exemption

State of Texas

County of _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____

who, being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is _____. I am over 18 years of age and I am otherwise fully competent
print name

to make this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained herein and all of same are true and correct.

I am the owner of the manufactured home identified above. The seller of the manufactured home did not provide me with a purchase contract, and I could not locate the seller after making a good faith effort.

Further, Affiant sayeth not".

Signature of Affiant _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, this the

_____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires _____

Affidavits

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Affidavits: Complete and have notarized if you are not specifically identified on a deed or other recorded instrument in Harris County.

AFFIDAVIT FOR PERSONS WHO ARE AGE 65 OR OLDER OR HAVE QUALIFYING DISABILITIES

State of Texas

County of _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____
who, being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is _____. I am over 18 years of age and I am otherwise fully competent to make this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained herein and all of same are true and correct. I meet the qualifications for a residence homestead exemption under Tax Code Section 11.13 (c) or (d) and am not specifically identified in this application. I am a legal owner of the property with a community property interest.

Further, Affiant sayeth not".

Signature of Affiant _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, this the

_____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires _____

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State of Texas

County of _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____
who, being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is _____. I am over 18 years of age and I am otherwise fully competent to make this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained herein and all of same are true and correct. I meet the qualifications for a residence homestead exemption under Tax Code Section 11.13 (c) or (d) and am not specifically identified on a deed or other appropriate instrument recorded in the applicable real property records as an owner of the residence

homestead identified in this application. I am a legal owner and own _____ percent of the property.

Further, Affiant sayeth not".

Signature of Affiant _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, this the

_____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires _____