# **Unified Elderly Tax Exemption Guidelines (RSA 72:39a)**

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## **2021 Age and Residency Requirements**

You must be age 65 or over as of April 1 of the year you are applying and a resident of New Hampshire for the past 3 or more years. The property on which the exemption is claimed must be your principal place of abode.

#### **Exemption Amounts**

Age before April 1st 65-74\$ 152,251 off assessed valueAge before April 1st 75-79\$ 183,751 off assessed valueAge before April 1st 80-up\$ 236,251 off assessed value

Income Requirements(including Social Security)Singleless than \$40,427Marriedless than \$51,977

Income limitations specified are based upon earnings during the prior calendar year. Examples of income are included but limited to: wages, self-employment earnings, pensions, annuities, rentals, interest, and social security benefits.

## **Asset Requirements**

Total assets may not exceed \$194,251 whether married or single.

The residence on which the exemption is claimed is excluded from the above limitation; all other property is an asset whether located in State or out. Examples of assets include but are limited to: savings and checking accounts, stocks and bonds, CD's and money market accounts, vehicles, household good, antiques, jewelry and furs. Anything, which can be sold for cash, is an asset.

Multifamily homes: The unit(s) you do not reside in must be included as an asset.

#### **Filing Deadline**

The filing deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup> preceding the setting of the tax rate. Example: If you are applying for an exemption off your 2021 property taxes, you have until April 15, 2021, to file this form.

### In order to process your exemption we will need copies of the following:

Social Security Statements IRS 1040 completed form 1099 forms (interest from the Banks) Pension Statement Any checking or savings statements

ALL INCOME AND ASSET STATEMENTS

If you have any questions, please call the Assessor's Office at 773-6111