

**FY2010 Residential Exemption Documentation**  
**(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)**

To qualify for the FY2010 residential exemption, you had to own and occupy your property on **January 1, 2009**. To confirm your residency, you **must submit** a copy of your **calendar year 2008 State of Massachusetts Resident income tax return**. The form must be a copy of the return filed showing your name and the address in question on the front side and your signature or your accountant's signature at the bottom of the page. You do not need to submit copies of other schedules and should feel free to withhold your financial information and social security number.

In addition to your required tax return, you **must submit at least one (1) of the following documents. Please pay close attention to the types of acceptable documentation and the dates of the documentation noted in bold**. Failure to submit the right documentation will delay the processing of your application. All submitted documents including your tax return are **not** open to public inspection.

-Automobile registration showing your name at the address in question with an effective date prior to **01/01/09**.

-Telephone bill addressed to you at the property in question covering the period that includes **01/01/09**.

-Other utility bill, (gas, electric, or cable television) addressed to you at the property in question covering the period that includes **01/01/09**. **Note that utility bills must show where the bill was sent not just where the service is provided**, (you may need to contact your utility company). Water and property tax bills are not acceptable.

-Verification of voter registration showing your name and the property in question with a date prior to **01/01/09**.

-Checking statement, (not mortgage statement) addressed to you at the property in question covering the period that includes **01/01/09**. Feel free to withhold financial information.

Please note that the Somerville Board of Assessors reserves the right to require additional documentation.

**RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

City of Somerville, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143  
NAME OF CITY OR TOWN

**APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION  
MUST BE FILED WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE THE TAX BILL WAS SENT.**

The undersigned being aggrieved by the failure to receive a residential exemption on real estate situated at: \_\_\_\_\_ for fiscal year: \_\_\_\_\_ hereby applies for such an exemption. Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

Name(s) of record owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the real estate owned and occupied by you as your principal residence on January 1, \_\_\_\_\_?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ Date Acquired : \_\_\_\_\_ How Acquired \_\_\_\_\_  
(by purchase, inheritance, foreclosure, gift, etc)

Do you own or partially own any other real estate? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please list address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received a residential exemption in any other city or town? If so, give the address of the property and the year(s) in which the exemption was received. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Will you receive or have you applied for a residential exemption in any other city or town for the fiscal years to which this application relates? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, give the name of the city or town and the address of the property to which the exemption relates. \_\_\_\_\_

Signing this form under the penalties of perjury has the legal effect of swearing under oath to the truthfulness of the information contained herein: All items on this form must be completed. In addition to other sanctions provided by law, intentional misrepresentation of facts in this application may result in cancellation of this exemption.

SUBSCRIBED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY.  
Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION FOR  
RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION  
FROM REAL ESTATE ATX  
CITY OF SOMERVILLE  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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**FOR ASSESSORS' RECORDS**

Notice \_\_\_\_\_ Hearing \_\_\_\_\_  
Sent \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ for hearing: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ held: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ with: \_\_\_\_\_

Exemption: \_\_\_\_\_ in previous year \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Page: \_\_\_\_\_ Line: \_\_\_\_\_  
(ALLOWED OR DISALLOWED)

EXEMPTION DISALLOWED: \_\_\_\_\_

EXEMPTION ALLOWED \_\_\_\_\_ (REASON)  
TO THE EXTENT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ON THE TOTAL  
VALUATION OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Under General Laws, Chapter 59, §. 5C

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ of the City of Somerville