

TAX TIPS FOR VETERANS

A guide to Property Tax Exemptions for SC Veterans, Medal of Honor Recipients, and POWs

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What is the Property Tax Exemption for veterans?

- Veterans may qualify for a tax exemption on home and land, up to five acres if the home and land are on the same parcel, and
- Two private passenger vehicles owned or leased by the veteran solely and/or jointly titled with their spouse.

Do I qualify?

- Veterans deemed totally and permanently service-connected disabled by the VA qualify for the exemption.

Exemptions for a Surviving Spouse

- One vehicle registered solely in surviving spouse's name.
- Home exemption if at the time of veteran's death the surviving spouse acquires sole ownership in fee or for life from the deceased veteran; or prior to the veteran's death the widow/widower owned the home solely.

MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS AND POWS

Medal of Honor Recipients and POWs qualify for:

- A tax exemption on home and land, up to one acre, and
- Two private passenger vehicles owned or leased by the Medal Recipient or POW.
- For a full explanation please visit:
dor.sc.gov/exempt-property

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How do I apply?

- You will need to fill out an application and provide these documents:
 - **A VA letter**, certifying you are totally and permanently service-connected disabled with the effective date.
 - For vehicles, a copy of the **SC registration card, SC bill of sale, or SC title**. For vehicles registered or purchased out of state you will need to pay the taxes upfront.
 - For home and land, **a copy of the recorded deed and proof of legal residence approval from the county assessor's office**.
 - **A marriage certificate** if home or vehicles are owned jointly with a spouse.
- The quickest and easiest way to apply is through **MyDORWAY**, our free online tax portal.
 - You can use **MyDORWAY** to fill out the application and submit your supporting documents.
 - Visit **MyDORWAY.dor.sc.gov** to get started.
- You can also submit your application by mail or in-person.
 - Download and complete a Property Tax Exemption Application for Individuals (PT-401-I) at **dor.sc.gov/forms**. Include the completed PT-401-I with your supporting documents.
 - Mail: **SCDOR, Government Services Division, PO Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0720**

Questions?

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