



# Application for Returning Veterans' Homestead Exemption

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### Section 1: Instructions

- A. Taxpayer eligibility.** To qualify for the returning veterans' homestead exemption, the veteran must meet the following requirements:
- Be an Illinois resident who has served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, Illinois National Guard, or U.S. Reserve Forces.
  - Returning from active duty in an armed conflict involving the armed forces of the United States during the assessment year. A veteran who dies during his or her active duty service is eligible to receive this exemption.
- B. Property eligibility.** To be eligible for the exemption:
- The eligible veteran taxpayer must have owned or had a legal or equitable interest in the property used as the principal place of residence on January 1 of the assessment year.
  - The eligible veteran must be liable for the payment of the property taxes.
- C. Application.** An application must be made for the year in which the qualifying veteran returns from active duty in an armed conflict. Application should be filed with the Kane County Assessment Office by the owner of record no later than November 30 of the assessment year.
- D. Restrictions.** This exemption may be claimed in the year in which the eligible veteran taxpayer returns from active duty in an armed conflict and the year following that year. If a veteran taxpayer receives this exemption, then is again deployed on active duty in an armed conflict and returns again in a subsequent year, the veteran taxpayer is eligible for this exemption again if the other conditions are met.
- E. Exemption Amount.** Under 35 ILCS 200/15-167, qualified taxpayers are permitted an exemption that will remove \$5,000 of equalized assessed value from the property (before taxes are calculated) of a qualifying returning veteran for up to two years.

### Section 2: Property Identification (please print)

Owner/Taxpayer Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel No. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Property City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ I have owned and occupied this property since \_\_\_\_\_  
month/day/year

Are you receiving a homestead exemption on any other property, either in Kane County or elsewhere?  Yes  No

**Section 3: Oath** I attest to the fact that the above address is my principal residence, and I am the owner of record or have a legal or equitable interest in the property on January 1 of the assessment year. I am an Illinois resident and I have served in the United States Armed Forces, the Illinois National Guard, or Reserve Forces, and I returned from active duty in an armed conflict on \_\_\_\_\_ (insert date and year of return). In support of this application, I hereby supply:

- A Department of Defense DD Form 214, certified by the county recorder or Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs,  
OR  
 A copy of my military orders with travel voucher to verify my active duty service.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Official use. Do not write in this space.

Documentation:  DD Form 214  Military travel orders and voucher

Approved:  Yes  No; Reason for denial \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_