

Requirements

The Senior Citizen Tax Reduction Program is available to seniors, 60 years of age or older on or before March 1st of the tax year in which you are applying for the exemption.

Disability Tax Reduction Program is available for to citizens who are considered disabled per the Social Security Administration. A statement from SSA is required.

Even if you have applied and received the tax exemption in previous years you must reapply each year for the reduction to appear on your tax bill.

There are additional requirements that are based on age, ownership status, residence and occupancy, and income.

Deadline for the tax reduction application is May 31st of each year.

Income Questions

What does my yearly income have to be, in order for me to qualify?
Your income cannot exceed \$ 17,375 if you are single or \$24,325 for a couple, excluding Social Security, Railroad and Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS not to exceed \$36,460).

Does my military retirement count as income?
Yes, therefore it may not be deducted from your yearly income.

Should income associated with individual retirement account (IRAs) be deducted from my yearly income?

No, earnings on IRAs should be considered as income.

Is the Social Security Pension to be included in the Total Income?

No, Social Security, Railroad or CSRS (CSRS not to exceed \$36,460) Pensions are not to be included.

Additional Information

How much will this reduction save on my yearly property tax bill?
The reduction will be up to \$50,000 off the real property value, which will be approximately \$165.00 off your yearly tax bill.

Do rental properties qualify for the Senior Citizen/Disability Property Tax Exemption?
No, your name must be on the deed and you must live at the residence in order to qualify for the exemption.

When do I receive my reduction?
The reduction will be taken off your yearly tax bill, which is mailed out July 1st of every year.

Due to COLA (Cost of Living Adjustments) the amount will vary each year, please call for current income requirements.

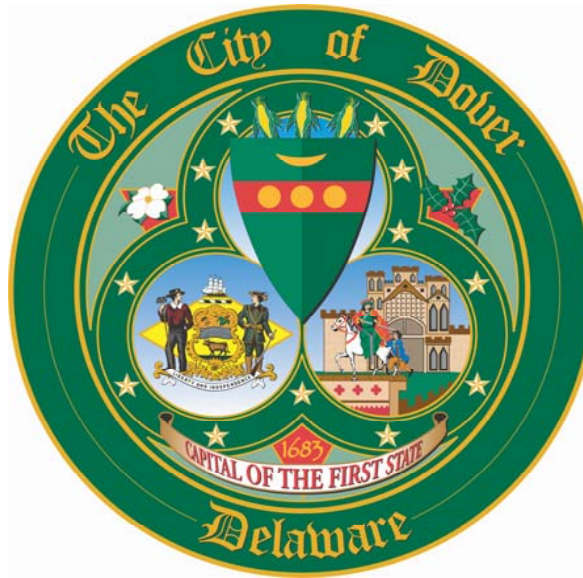
Message from the City of Dover

The City of Dover is proud to
offer
senior citizens property tax
reductions.

Please review the information in
this brochure and feel free to
contact us if you have any ques-
tions. The requirements are
listed as well as the procedure
on what is required to be
completed to receive the tax
reduction as well as the deadline
to have the request submitted.

It is important to us that we
continue to make Dover a place
where people want to live!

*If you are not already on our
mailing list please contact the
Assessor's Office so applications
can be mailed to you each year.



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