

**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.
PLEASE COMPLETE ALL PARTS OF THE APPLICATION AND SUBMIT THE
APPLICATION ALONG WITH ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION BACK TO THE
JASPER COUNTY ASSESSORS OFFICE FOR CONSIDERATION.
PLEASE SIGN BACK OF SHEET**

**358 3rd Avenue
PO Box 837
Ridgeland SC 29936**

**Jasper County Assessors
Legal Residence Assessment
Application**

**Phone:843-717-3620
Fax: 843-726-7765**

Ownership Information			
Owner(s) Name		Tax Map #/ Date of Occupancy	
Mailing Address		Tax Year	
City, State, Zip		Telephone (Day)	
PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY			

In order to qualify, the following forms of identification must be submitted and must have the address of the residence for which you are applying: The first form needs to be a valid South Carolina Drivers License or a valid South Carolina ID issued by the SCDMV. The second form needs to be all vehicle registrations for Jasper County. The third form needs to be your Social Security Card, Medicare Card or Military ID. If you do not own a vehicle, we will accept a Jasper County Voter's Registration or Copies of South Carolina Federal Income tax return, along with a receipt of filing. You must send in the above for all owners along with their spouses, if married.

ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED BEFORE THIS APPLICATION CAN BE PROCESSED

1)Property Address. Report "Same", if identical to Mailing Address

2)Is any portion of the property (land or buildings) rented or leased? **If yes, attach explanation.** Yes No

3)Please check appropriate box: Married Widowed Legally separated Divorced Never Married _____

4) For all owners and their spouses (full or part-year: List full name, social security number, percent owned and relationship to applicant *(attach extra sheet if needed)*) _____

5)Do you, your spouse or any member of your household own any other residence(s) anywhere in the United States? Yes No **If YES List ALL addresses showing City, County, State** *(attach extra sheet if necessary)* Please provide a letter from that County indicating that this property does not receive any tax exemptions.

6)Do the owner occupants file a S.C. State Income Tax Return as a resident of South Carolina? **If No, (explain below)** Yes No _____

7)Are all vehicles of the property owner(s) registered in Jasper County? **If No, (please explain)** Yes No

8) Is the property held in trust? Yes No **If YES:** is the property occupied by the current income beneficiary of the trust? Yes No **(Attach copy of ENTIRE trust and any related documents)**

Property Owner Acknowledgement

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that:

- A) The residence which is the subject of this application is my legal residence and where I am domiciled at the time of this application and that I do not claim to be a legal resident of a jurisdiction other than South Carolina for any purpose; and
B) That neither I nor any other member of my house hold is residing in or occupying any other residence which I or any member of my immediate family has qualified for the special assessment ratio allowed by this section. A member of my household means:
a) The owner-occupants spouse, except when that spouse is legally separated from the owner-occupant, and
b) Any child under the age of eighteen years of the owner-occupant claimed or eligible to be claimed as a dependent on the owner-occupant's federal income tax return.

If a person signs a legal residence certification, obtains the 4% ratio, and thereafter loses eligibility and fails to notify the assessor within six months, a penalty is imposed equal to 100% of the tax paid, plus interest on that amount.

*The owner-occupant may be asked to provide proof the assessor requires including, but not limited to:

- 1) Copies of SC Motor Vehicle Registrations and Driver's License for all owners; and any other proof required by the assessor
2) a copy of a filed SC Income Tax Return; (Note) Social Security Numbers may be used to verify income-tax filing
3) a copy of a valid voter registration card

Definition of Legal Residence

See Department of Revenue Regulation 117-1800.1(2).

Qualification Requirements

See South Carolina Code of Laws (12-43-220 (c)).

Right to Appeal

If the assessor determines the owner-occupant ineligible, the owner occupant may appeal the classification as provided in Chapter 60, Title 12 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Return this Application Now

Failure to file within the prescribed time, "Any time before the first penalty date for taxes due for the first tax year for which the assessment is claimed", shall constitute abandonment of the owner's right for this classification for the tax year applied for. (South Carolina Code of Laws: 12-43-220(c) for legal residence) Please file now to avoid any unnecessary delays in processing your application.

Signature Required Below

If there is more than one owner of this property our office will accept either owner's signature.

By signing below, you are stating that you understand and are in agreement with this application.

Property Owner: _____ Date: _____

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Filing Status _____ If divorced/separated, received papers _____

Forms of ID received

Applicant Spouse

SCDL _____

Vehicle Registration _____ If no vehicle, Why _____

SS Card, Medicare or Military _____

Voter Registration _____

Tax Return _____

Checked Addresses on ALL Forms _____

Staff Signature _____

Date _____