

Town of Barkhamsted
Assessor's Office
PUBLIC NOTICE

Exemptions & PA490 Applications

EXEMPTIONS:

VETERANS must have filed their DD-214 (discharge papers) with the town clerk's office no later than September 30, 2017 to be eligible for the veteran's exemption on the assessment list of 2017. Veterans with service connected disability rating, must submit to the assessor proof of disability rating from the Veterans Administration, in order to receive the proper amount of exemption on the 2017 Grand List.

DISABLED VETERANS AGED 65 OR OLDER: If you were receiving additional exemptions due to a Veteran's disability, you may be entitled to an additional exemption equivalent to the 100% disability rating. If you are not receiving such an exemption, please provide proof to the Assessor.

BLIND AND DISABLED: New applications for the blind and totally disabled person's exemption must be filed by October 1st, 2017.

FARMERS filing for exemptions must file annually by November 1st or waive exemption for the year.

LOCAL OPTION EXEMPTIONS: Under Barkhamsted Town Ordinances, Local Exemptions are available to the owners of certain private vehicles specially equipped for the transportation of the handicapped.

P.A. 490 (Farm, Forest and Open Space):

Owners of real estate qualified under various subsections of 12-107 of CGS, applying for relief under provisions of this statute, must make application to the Assessor. Applications to the Assessor must be filed between September 1st and October 31st. **There are no extensions.** The Certified Forester's Report must be dated no later than October 1st of the Grand List year being applied for and must be attached and filed with the application.

Under the most current law, **WHETHER YOU ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY BECAUSE OF A SALE OR A TRANSFER**, if you as the new record owner want to continue to receive this preferential tax treatment, then **YOU MUST APPLY FOR THIS SPECIAL CLASSIFICATION IN YOUR OWN NAME. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.** If your application is not filed in a timely manner, the special classification shall be removed from the property and the assessment shall increase accordingly for the next Grand List. There is a special procedure for applying for Forestland which may require considerable time to complete. Please plan accordingly.

For more information contact the Assessor's office between 9 & 4 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9- 5p.m. on Wednesday and Friday 9-12 by calling 860-379-3600.

Dated at Barkhamsted, CT this 9th day of August, 2017.

Francine Beland, CCMA II Assessor