



APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

Circuit Breaker Tax Deferment Program (G.S. 105-277.1B)

Property ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One:

Yes No Do you reside in this home?

Yes No Does your spouse (if applicable) live with you in this residence?
If you answer no, provide your spouse's address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Are you or your spouse currently residing in a health care facility?
If yes, circle one (applicant/spouse) and indicate current length of stay: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Do you and your spouse (if applicable) own 100% interest in the property? If you answer no, list all owners and their ownership percentage:

Owner \_\_\_\_\_ % Owner \_\_\_\_\_ %

Owner \_\_\_\_\_ % Owner \_\_\_\_\_ %

Note: Separate applications are required for each owner that is claiming property tax relief. If a husband and wife own the property as "tenants by the entirety", only one application is required. If a husband and wife own the property as "tenants in common", then a separate application is required for each spouse.

## **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF CIRCUIT BREAKER DEFERRAL**

Under this program, taxes for each year are limited to a percentage of the qualifying owner's income. A qualifying owner must either be a least 65 years of age or totally and permanently disabled. For an owner whose income amount for the previous year (2021) does not exceed the income eligibility limit for the current year, which for the 2021 tax year is \$31,900, the owner's taxes will be limited to four percent (4%) of the owner's income. For an owner whose income exceeds the income eligibility limit (\$31,901) but does not exceed 150% of the income eligibility limit, which for the 2021 tax year is \$47,850 the owner's taxes will be limited to five percent (5%) of the owner's income.

**However, the taxes over the limitation amount are deferred and remain a lien on the property. The last three of deferred taxes prior to a disqualifying event will become due and payable, with interest, on the date of the disqualifying event.**

Interest accrues on the deferred taxes as if they had been payable on the dates on which they would have originally become due. Disqualifying events are death of the owner, transfer of the property, and failure to use the property as the owner's permanent residence. Exceptions and special provisions apply. See G.S. 105-277.1B for the full text of the statute.

### **YOU MUST FILE A NEW APPLICATION FOR THIS DEFERRAL EACH YEAR**

Multiple Owners: Each owner (other than husband and wife as tenants by the entirety) must file a separate application. All owners must qualify and elect to defer taxes under this program or no benefit is allowed under this program. The Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment cannot be combined with either the elderly, disabled, and or disabled veteran exclusion.

#### **Circle One:**

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| Yes | No | As of January 1, were you at least 65 years of age? <b>If you answer <u>Yes</u></b> , you do not have to file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.   |
| Yes | No | As of January 1, were you totally and permanently disabled and less than 65 years of age? <b>If you answer <u>Yes</u></b> , you must file Form AV-9A Certification of Disability.             |
| Yes | No | Have you owned and occupied your permanent residence for at least the last five full years prior to January 1 of this year?   |
| Yes | No | Do all owners of this property qualify for this program and elect to defer taxes under this program? <b>If you answer <u>No</u></b> , the property cannot receive benefit under this program. |

## **INCOME INFORMATION**

Social Security Number (SSN) disclosure is mandatory for approval of Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment Program and will be used to establish the identification of the applicant. The SSN may be used for verification of information provided on this application. The authority to require this number is given by 42 U.S.C. Section 405 ( C ) ( 2 ) ( C ) ( i ). The SSN and all income tax information will be kept confidential. The SSN may also be used to facilitate collection of property taxes if you do not timely and voluntarily pay the taxes. Using the SSN will allow the tax collector to claim payment of an unpaid property tax bill from any State income tax refund that might otherwise be owed to you. Your SSN may be shared with the State for this purpose. In addition, your SSN may be used to garnish wages or attach bank accounts for failure to timely pay taxes.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:**

\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

You must provide a copy of your individual Federal Income Tax Return for the previous calendar year unless you do not file a Federal Income Tax Return. Married applicants filing separate returns should submit both returns. Your income tax returns are confidential and will be treated as such.

### **YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED UNTIL THE INCOME TAX INFORMATION IS RECEIVED**

If you do not file a Federal Income Tax Return, you must attach documentation such as but not limited to the following: W-2, SSA-1099, 1099-R, 1099-INT, 1099-DIV, financial institution statements, etc.

**Information is subject to verification with the North Carolina Department of Revenue**

## **AFFIRMATION AND SIGNATURE**

Under penalties prescribed by law, I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information furnished by me in connection with application is true and complete. Furthermore, I understand that if I participate in the Circuit Breaker Property Tax Deferment Program, liens for the deferred taxes will exist on my property. The last three years of deferred taxes prior to a disqualifying event will become due and payable, with interest, on the date of the disqualifying event.

Signatures of both spouses, or co-owners is required. If there are more than two, please continue signatures at the bottom of this page.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Name (please print)

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Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Spouse's Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Co-owner Name (please print)

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Co-owner Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Co-owner Name (please print)

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Co-owner Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*\*\*APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022 TO BE TIMELY FILED\*\*\***

This application must be filed with the County Tax Assessor.

Do not send this application to the NC Dept of Revenue

**Please mail to:**

**DAVIDSON COUNTY TAX OFFICE, PO BOX 1617, LEXINGTON NC 27293**

Any questions please call 336-242-2160