

APPLICATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

36 M.R.S. § 841

See Property Tax Bulletin No. 10 for more information

This application must be signed and filed with the municipal assessor. A separate application should be filed for each separately assessed parcel of real estate claimed to be overvalued.

1. Name of applicant: _____
2. Mailing address: _____
3. Property address or map/lot: _____
4. Telephone number for applicant: _____
5. Tax year for which abatement is requested: _____
6. Assessed valuation of real estate: _____
7. Assessed valuation of personal property: _____
8. Abatement of real estate valuation requested: _____
9. Abatement of personal property valuation requested: _____
10. Reasons for requesting abatement (please be specific, stating grounds for belief that property is overvalued for tax purposes): _____

To the assessing authority of the Municipality of _____

In accordance with the provisions of 36 M.R.S. § 841, I hereby make written application for abatement of property taxes as noted above. The above statements are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date

Signature of Applicant

IN GENERAL: This application must be filed with the Tax Assessor within 185 days from the date of commitment of the tax to which objection is made.

A separate application must be filed for each separately assessed parcel of real estate.

Application must be filed in duplicate.

A taxpayer, to be entitled to request abatement or to appeal from the decision of the local assessor, must have filed a list of his taxable property with the assessors, if properly so notified, in accordance with MRSA, Title 36, Sec. 706.

If such a list has not been filed upon proper notice, such list must be filed with this application, together with a statement as to why the list could not be filed at the proper time.

The assessor will give written notice of decision to the taxpayer within 10 days after the assessor takes final action on the application. If such written notice is not given within 60 days from the date the application is filed, the application should be considered as having been denied, and the applicant may appeal as provided by Statute. The applicant may, in writing, consent to further delay.

Question 1: Print full name.

Question 2: Print Tax Map/Lot and property location.

Question 3: Print full address to which mail should be sent.

Question 4: Print phone number including area code and e-mail address.

Question 5: Taxes are assessed as of April 1. The tax assessed as of April 1 of any year and billed thereafter is for the tax for that year.

Question 6: Show the actual assessed valuation of the particular parcel of real estate covered by this application, as to which abatement is requested. If abatement of real estate valuation is not requested, do not fill in this item.

Question 7: Show the actual assessed valuation of personal property as to which abatement is requested. If abatement of personal property valuation is not requested, do not fill in this item.

Question 8: Show amount by which you believe **valuation** should be reduced. For example, if valuation (shown in Question 5) is \$3,000 and you believe it should be \$2,500, the entry in this item would be \$500.

Question 9: See above, under Question 7.

Question 10: Identify the property, which you believe to be overvalued. State reasons for your claim, as, for example, sales prices of this or comparable properties. Please be specific, and bear in mind that the valuation should be in accord with the actual worth of the property and in line with the valuation of other property of like worth.