

# **Carroll County Maryland**

## **Bay Restoration Fee Hardship Exemption Program**

### **Proposed financial hardship exemption criteria:**

- Only owner occupied residential property will be eligible for Bay Restoration Fee exemption
- Property owner must be receiving the Homeowners' Property Tax Credit.
- The applicant must also meet one additional condition:
  - Receiving energy assistance subsidy;
  - Receiving public assistance-supplemental security income (SSI) or food stamps;
  - Receiving veterans or social security disability benefits;

### **Application Procedure and forms:**

- Completion of Bay Restoration Fee hardship exemption application form.
- Proof the applicant resides at the property.

### **Required Supporting Documentation:**

- Copy of tax bill or proof of Homeowners' Property Tax Credit approval.
- Copy of energy bill, benefit check, or other documentation of receiving one of the above benefits.

### **Exemption time-period:**

- Maximum of one year based on fiscal year July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Applicant must request exemption renewal.
- County will send application to previously qualified property owners.

### **Estimated number of residential users qualifying for exemption:**

- Approximately 1,800 maximum, based on number of properties receiving Homeowners' Property Tax Credit

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## BAY RESTORATION FEE HARDSHIP EXEMPTION APPLICATION

(Exemption Period: One year based on fiscal year July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Property Account No: \_\_\_\_\_ Applying For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 20\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Property: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different than address of property)

Name of Property Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different than applicant)

1. Is this a residential owner-occupied property? \_\_\_\_ Yes (Proceed to Question 2) \_\_\_\_ No (If no, this property is not eligible for exemption)

2. Have you applied for the Homeowners' Property Tax Credit for the same fiscal year as above?  
\_\_\_\_ Yes (Proceed to Question 3) \_\_\_\_ No (If no, this property is not eligible for exemption)

3. Are you currently receiving benefits from at least one of the following programs:

- Energy assistance subsidy
- Public assistance –supplemental security income (SSI) or food stamps
- Veterans or social security disability benefits

\_\_\_\_ Yes (Please provide a copy of a recent statement) \_\_\_\_ No (If no, this property is not eligible for exemption)

**UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE PREPARED AND EXAMINED THIS APPLICATION, AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, IT IS TRUE, CORRECT, AND COMPLETE.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

For County Use Only

Date application received \_\_\_\_\_  
Verify Homeowners' Tax Credit Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
Exemption Approved \_\_\_\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_