



Department of Taxation and Finance
Office of Real Property Tax Services

RP-458-a

(8/24)

Application for Alternative Veterans Exemption from Real Property Taxation

To qualify for this exemption, you must have served during a NYS defined Period of War. Please refer to the chart at the bottom of page 2 to verify the Period of War in which you served.

For assistance in completing this form, see Form RP-458-a-I, Instructions for Form RP-458-a.

Form fields for owner information, mailing address, location of property, contact numbers, email address, and non-owner spouse information.

- 4. Is the owner a veteran who serves or served in the active military, naval, or air service of the United States? ... Yes No
6. Was the veteran discharged or released from active service under honorable conditions? ... Yes No
7. Did the veteran serve in a combat zone or combat theater? ... Yes No
8. Did the veteran receive a compensation rating from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or from the United States Department of Defense as a result of a service-connected disability? ... Yes No
9. Is the property the primary residence of the veteran, the unremarried surviving spouse of the veteran, or the Gold Star parent of the veteran? ... Yes No

Please be sure to answer all questions and sign page 2 of the application.

10. Is the property used exclusively for residential purposes? ..... Yes  No   
 If No, describe the non residential use of this property and state what percentage of the property is used for such purposes:  
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11. Date (mmdyyyy) the title to this property was acquired and attach a copy of the deed. ....   
 (Deed not required if purchase prior to January 1, 2025)

12. Has the owner(s) ever received, or is the owner(s) now receiving, a veterans exemption based on eligible funds on property in New York State? ..... **In most cases, this question about "Eligible Funds" Veterans does not apply.** Yes  No   
 If No, skip to Certification.

12a. If Yes, enter the amount of eligible funds used in the purchase. .... \$   
 This was an exemption granted mostly to World War II Veterans and is no longer offered.

12b. Does that eligible funds exemption cover the same property listed on page 1? ..... Yes  No   
 If Yes, skip to line 12d. **If the Eligible Funds Exemption were on this parcel, the Assessment Office would already have a record of that.**

12c. If No, enter the location of this property in New York State, then skip to Certification:  
 Physical address (number and street) **If you did have an Eligible Funds Exemption elsewhere in NYS, please indicate the parcel address here:**  

Village	City/town	School district
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12d. If Yes, are you submitting this application only because you are seeking a school tax exemption?  
 (Mark an **X** in the Yes box if you want to apply for a new school tax exemption without having any changes made to your existing eligible funds exemption; mark an **X** in the No box if you **This is only related to Eligible Funds.** want your existing eligible funds exemption to be replaced with the alternative veterans exemption.) ..... Yes  No

**Certification** Please be sure that you have answered all questions and sign the application below.

I (we) hereby certify that all statements made on this application are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief and I (we) understand that any willful false statement made herein will subject me (us) to the penalties prescribed in the Penal Law.

**All owners must sign this application** Proof of residency (copy of driver's license) is required for all owners.

Signature	Date (mmdyyyy)	Signature	Date (mmdyyyy)
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**NOTE: See Important signature info below.** If you are approved for this exemption, you will first see a reduction in your taxes in the April 2026 County/Town tax bill.

**For Assessor's Use Only**

Alternative veterans exemption (RP-458-a)	Assessment	Period of war, active service, or expeditionary medal recipient (15% or ceiling max.) approved  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Combat zone service (including expeditionary medal) (10% or ceiling max.) approved  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Service connected disability rating _____ (x 50% or ceiling max.) approved  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Total
Village					
Town/City					
County					
School district					

**If you did not serve in ACTIVE duty during one of these periods of war, then you need to apply for the Cold War Exemption.**

**Designated Periods of War:**

- Persian Gulf conflict (8/2/1990 - Present)
- Vietnam War (11/1/1955 - 5/7/1975)
- Korean War (6/27/1950 - 1/31/1955)
- World War II (12/7/1941 - 12/31/1946)

Signature of assessor	Date
Name of assessor (please print)	

**IMPORTANT SIGNATURE INFORMATION:** If the property is owned in the name of a Trust or Life Estate, signature must be in the name of the Trust or Life Estate.

Trust signature example: (Your Name) on behalf of the (Name of Trust).  
Life Estate signature example: (Your Name), Life Estate.