

First Time Exemption Applications AND Exemption Renewals are DUE **MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015**

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR EXEMPTIONS- 2015**

\*Must be primary residence

\*\*Income must be collected for **ALL OWNERS** who reside at the property

### **NEW STAR ENHANCED** over 65 yrs. old by 12/31/15

1. Completed Pink application (RP467)
2. Proof of ownership (Title or bill of sale for MFH\*)
3. Driver's License with primary address on it
4. 2013 Federal Tax Form & IRA 1099s (for all owners)

If your 2013 income is greater than \$83,300,  
you will automatically receive the Basic STAR

**OR** ALL 2013 end-of-year income statements for **ALL OWNERS** who reside at the property with the Income for STAR Purposes Worksheet (RP-425-Wkst)

### **RENEWAL** for **STAR ENHANCED** (Renew Annually or sign up for the Income Verification Program)

1. Completed Yellow application (renewal-RP-425-Rnw)
2. 2013 Federal Tax Form & IRA 1099s (for all owners)  
**OR** ALL 2013 end-of-year income statements for **ALL OWNERS** who reside at the property with Income for STAR Purposes Worksheet (RP-425-Wkst)
3. Social Security Statement if social security income is not on Federal Tax Form

### **NEW BASIC STAR: Under 65 yrs. Old**

1. Driver's License with primary residence on it
2. Proof of ownership (Title or bill of sale for MFH\*)
3. Income less than \$500,000

No need to renew the Basic STAR until the  
year you turn 65 (Ex. DOB: 12/12/15 You  
must register BEFORE 3/1/15 to be eligible)

### **NEW AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION**

\*Must farm at least 7 acres (total) and farmer must make at least \$10,000/yr or average of two years  
**OR** farm less than 7 acres and the farmer's income is more than \$50,000/yr.

1. Completed Ag New Form (RP-305)
2. Soil Survey from the Cornell Co-op 652-8480 in East Aurora
3. Completed lease agreement (if not farming it themselves)

### **RENEWAL** for **AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION** (Renew Annually)

1. Completed Green form w/ name of farmer, telephone #, signature on front & back of form and all boxes checked (RP-305-r)
2. Schedule F Tax Return (required every other year for the farmer) to verify income

### **NEW VETERAN EXEMPTION** (No need to renew)

1. Completed Orange Veteran Exemption Form (RP-458)
2. DD214 Papers
3. Proof of residency (Driver's License) & proof of ownership (Bill of Sale/Title - MFH\*)
4. If Disabled Vet - Award letter with % disabled

### **DISABILITY EXEMPTION** (Renew Annually)

1. Completed White Disability Form (RP-459-c)
2. Award Letter (if **NEW** or **CHANGED**):
3. 2013 Federal Tax Return that verifies **income is less than \$32,400**

\*MFH = Manufactured Home

ALL EXEMPTION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR TOWN WEBSITE AT [www.erie.gov/newstead](http://www.erie.gov/newstead) (on the Assessor's page)