

**Town of Essex Abatement Hearing Request**  
**81 Main Street, Essex Jct., Vermont 05452**  
**802-879-0413**

A COPY OF YOUR PROPERTY TAX BILL MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM

Owner of Record \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Applicant to Listed Owner (if other than Listed Owner) \_\_\_\_\_

Executor/Administrator of Estate \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

New Owner, Purchase Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Location (Address) of Property \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Property Type  Residential  Commercial  Agricultural  Forest Land Assessed Value \_\_\_\_\_

I am requesting abatement under the following statutory criteria:

- Taxes of persons who have died insolvent. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(1).
- Taxes of persons who have removed from the state. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(2).
- Taxes of persons who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, and/or collection fees. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(3).
- Taxes in which there is clear or obvious error. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(4).
- Taxes in which there is a mistake of the listers. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(4).
- Taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(5).
- The exemption amount available under 32 V.S.A. §3802(11) to persons otherwise eligible for exemption who file a claim on or after May 1 but before October 1 due to the claimant's sickness or disability or other good cause as determined by the board of abatement; but that exemption amount shall be reduced by 20 percent of the total exemption for each month or portion of a month the claim is late filed. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(6). *(This applies to Veteran's exemptions only)*
- Taxes upon a mobile home moved from the town during the tax year as a result of a change in use of the mobile home park land or parts thereof, or closure of the mobile home park in which the mobile home was sited, pursuant to 10 V.S.A. §6237. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(9).
- Sewer, water, utility, or service charges caused by circumstances that were difficult to foresee or outside of the person's control. 24 V.S.A. §1535(a)(10).

Please provide a brief description of the basis for your abatement request including tax year(s) and amount(s) requested. Attach a separate sheet if necessary:

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Following receipt of your abatement request, the Board of Abatement will notify you of the date, time, and place of your hearing. At the hearing, you will be responsible for supplying evidence to support your abatement request. If you or your representative fail to appear at the hearing, the Board's decision will be based solely on the information provided by you in this form and any accompanying documentation. The Board may choose to abate all or part of the taxes, water or sewer charges, interest, collection fees or any other municipal charges or fees for utilities or services for which you have requested abatement but is under no obligation to grant any abatement request. You will be notified in writing of the Board's decision. If you are not satisfied with the decision of the Board of Abatement you may appeal the decision to Superior Court in accordance with Rule 75 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure.

**The filing of this application does not prevent or defer the collection of your property tax, or water or sewer charges, interest, collection fees or any other municipal charges or fees for utilities or services. To avoid imposition of interest and penalties, the tax or water/sewer charges or other municipal charges or fees should be paid when due.**

Received this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Town Clerk