

# DISABLED VETERANS

**Requirements:**

Applicant must own and be living in the house on or before **January 1<sup>st</sup>** of the year in which the exemption is sought.

Applicant must be disabled as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. There is no age limit for this exemption.

Applicant has to have an honorable discharge (DD214) from military service.

Applicant has to have been judged by the Department of Veterans Affairs of the United States as being totally and permanently disabled.

“Disabled veteran” means:

(1) A wartime veteran who was discharged under honorable conditions and who has been adjudicated by the Department of Veterans Affairs of the United States as being totally and permanently disabled and entitled to receive service connected benefits so long as he or she is 100 percent disabled and receiving or entitled to receive benefits for a 100 percent service connected disability;

(2) An American veteran of any war or armed conflict in which any branch of the armed forces of the United States engaged, whether under United States command or otherwise, and that he or she is disabled due to the loss or loss of use of both lower extremities such as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair; due to blindness in both eyes, having only light perception, together with the loss or loss of use of one lower extremity; or due to the loss or loss of use of one lower extremity together with residuals of organic disease or injury which so affect the functions of balance or propulsion as to preclude locomotion without resort to a wheelchair;

(3) Any disabled veteran who is not entitled to receive benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs but who qualifies otherwise, as provided for by Article VII, Section I, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia of 1976;

(4) An American veteran of any war or armed conflict who is disabled due to loss or loss of use of one lower extremity together with the loss or loss of use of one upper extremity which so affects the functions of balance or propulsion as to preclude locomotion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair; or

(5) A veteran becoming eligible for assistance in acquiring housing under Section 2101 of Title 38 of the United States Code as hereafter amended on or after July 1, 1999.

Applicant must attach a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs stating the qualifying disability or a copy of their DD214 along with a letter from two (2) physicians.

Application must be made by **March 1** of the tax year in which the exemption is sought.

**EXEMPTION AMOUNT BREAKDOWN:**

EXEMPTION CODE	ENTITY	AMOUNT
L5 <b>DISABLED VETERANS</b>  <b>No Income Limit</b>	COUNTY	88,000
	COUNTY BONDS	50,000
	SCHOOL	50,000
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	STATE	50,000
	FIRE	88,000