



**DIVISION OF TREASURY**  
 255 ROCKVILLE PIKE, SUITE L-15 ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20850  
 240-777-8965

**ANNUAL APPLICATION**  
**Residential Real Property Tax Deferral - General**

**IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE TAX DEFERRAL, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED AND ALL OF THE REQUIRED ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION.**

1. Property Owner's Name / Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
2. Property Owner's Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Property Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Name and contact information of any / all mortgagees of the property or beneficiaries under any deed of trust:  
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5. Has the owner, or at least one of the owners, of the property resided in the dwelling as that person's principle place of residence for at least 5 years and continue to occupy the property for that purpose: YES / NO
6. The gross income or combined gross income of all individuals who reside in the dwelling (except for a dependent or a person who pays room & board) is less than \$120,000.00 YES / NO  
 Must provide copy of Federal Income Tax Return, substantiating gross income for all individuals, from the most recent tax year.

**The applicant(s) does not qualify If the answer to either question 5 or 6 is "NO".**

7. Has a property tax deferral been granted through this program before? YES / NO If YES, list the prior tax years deferred: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT: Read the back of this form for all applicable terms and conditions relating to this property tax deferral.**

**I hereby certify under oath and affirmation, subject to the penalties provided by law, that the information and responses in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER APPLICATION DATE

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A. TOTAL CURRENT YEAR COUNTY TAXES DUE (LY2005): \_\_\_\_\_

B. TOTAL COUNTY TAXES DUE PRIOR TAXABLE YEAR (LY2004): \_\_\_\_\_

C. TOTAL APPROVED TAX DEFERRAL LY2005 (A - B): \_\_\_\_\_

**Montgomery County Code**  
**Chapter 52 – Taxation**  
**Section 52-18F**

- The amount of taxes that may be deferred for any one year is the amount that County property taxes due exceeds the amount of County property taxes paid in the prior taxable year. The increase in County property tax however, cannot be the result of a substantial improvement to the property.
- The gross income or combined gross income of all individuals who actually reside in the dwelling must not exceed \$120,000 for the preceding calendar year.
- The owner, or at least one of the owners, must reside in the dwelling as the principal place of residence and must have done so for at least 5 years.
- County real property taxes that are eligible for the deferral are the General county tax and Special Service Area taxes.
- Interest accrues on the deferred taxes at a rate set annually by the County that does not exceed the prime lending rate. The annual interest rate set by the County applies to any tax deferred that year, regardless of the year when the tax was first deferred.
- The accumulation of deferred taxes and accrued interest must not exceed 50 percent of the full cash value of the property.
- **All taxes deferred and accrued interest are a first lien on the property. The County must notify all mortgagees of a payment deferral under this Section and of the amount of tax to be deferred.**
- An application for a tax deferral under this Section must be submitted to the Division of Treasury no later than September 1 of the tax year in which the taxpayer seeks to obtain a tax deferral.
- A person who knowingly submits a false or fraudulent application or statement, or withholds information, in order to obtain a deferral under this Section has committed a Class A violation, and must repay to the County deferred taxes and interest and penalties applicable to overdue taxes. A person who violates this section is liable for all court costs and expenses of the County in a civil action.