



Jasper County Assessor

P.O. Box 837 • RIDGELAND, SOUTH CAROLINA 29936

PLEASE READ THIS LETTER IN ITS ENTIRETY!

You are receiving this letter because a deed or death certificate was filed that changed the ownership of your property, because of this change, any previous tax exemptions for 4% **legal residency (owner-occupied)** and/or **agricultural use** have been removed. Your property will now be taxed at the **6% rate** unless you apply and qualify for Legal Residence and/or Agricultural Exemption. You can only have **one legal residence per family**. Your legal residence is the home where you actually live and intend to return to when you are away.

What you need to do

To apply for the **4% Legal Residence and/or Agricultural tax rate**, navigate to the **Legal Residence and/or the Application for Agricultural Property** via the QR code.

Required information and documents for Legal Residence:

You must provide your Social Security card and **2 forms of identification** from the list below. The documents must show the **physical address of the property** for which you are requesting legal residence exemption, a **P.O. Box is not acceptable** as proof of your physical residence.

If you are **married**, your spouse must also provide the required documents.

If you are **divorced**, provide your divorce papers.

If you are **legally separated**, provide the separate maintenance agreement signed by a judge.

1. **South Carolina Driver's License or South Carolina State ID - Required**
2. **South Carolina Vehicle Registration** - Showing your vehicle is registered in **Jasper County (County 27)**
3. **Jasper County Voter Registration** — If you do not own a vehicle
4. **Most recent South Carolina Income Tax Return and proof of filing** — Alternative form of identification

If you fall under one of the below categories we will need the corresponding documents in addition to the above requirements:

- **Copy of your Trust Agreement** — If the property is owned by a trust
- **Military Personnel** - Copy of PCS orders and LES (**Reapply Yearly**)
- **Work Permit or Permanent Residence** - Must provide additional documents as well as **reapply yearly**, for a list of required documents please see the tab labeled Legal Residence Requirements via the QR Code

If your property qualifies under a **Bond for Title**, you will have to provide these documents **yearly**. Otherwise, your property can change from the 4% rate back to the 6% rate.

Important: Check your Address and County

Before submitting your documents to the Assessor's Office, make sure your address is correct on your South Carolina Driver's License/State ID and Vehicle Registration.

Be careful: Beaufort County is County 07 whereas Jasper County is 27. The Assessor's Office cannot accept documents showing the wrong county code.

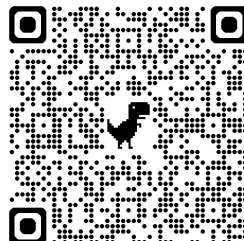
Deadline

The Assessor's Office must receive the application and required documents **by December 31 of the year you occupy the property**. If you do not complete the application and provide the required documents, your legal residency exemption will be **denied**, and your property will be taxed at the **6% rate**.

If you have questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Jasper County Assessor's Office
843-717-3620



To access online
applications, utilize
the QR Code.