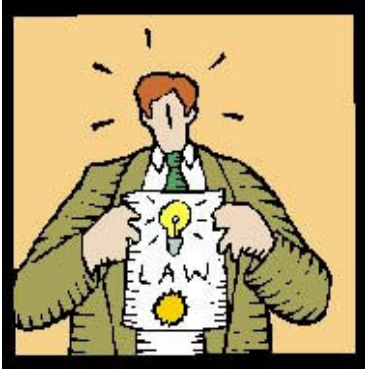


Changes in Texas Property Tax Laws Affecting Residential Homestead Exemptions



Effective *September 1, 2011*, in order to qualify for a residential homestead exemption you must provide EAD with a copy of either your Texas driver's license or Texas ID Card.



The address on your driver's license or state ID card must match the **physical address of the residence** for which you are applying.

606 Main St. OR 606 Main St.



606 Main St. This address must also be the same as the address on your vehicle registration. Attach a copy of your vehicle registration receipt to your homestead application.



606 Main St.

Remember: Your physical street address must match the address on your vehicle registration and both must match the address on your driver's license or state ID card. All three must have the same address.

Vehicle Registration

In order to change the address on your vehicle registration or obtain a Duplicate Vehicle Registration Receipt to attach to your homestead exemption application, please contact the Ellis County Tax Office at (972) 825-5150, or come by the tax office located at 109 South Jackson St. Rm T125, Waxahachie, TX 75165. There is a \$2.00 fee for the Vehicle Registration Receipt.

If You don't Own a Vehicle

Please complete the **Non-Ownership of Motor Vehicle Affidavit** on Page 4 of your homestead exemption application. This must be a sworn statement signed before a Notary Public. You also need to attach a copy to your homestead exemption application of a utility bill for the homestead property showing the bill is in your name and the utility address matches the physical address of the homestead property.

Texas Driver's License

If you have a current Texas driver's license and you move to a new location in Texas you have **30 days** to change the address on your driver's license. The simplest way to do this is online. Go to www.txdps.state.tx.us and follow the **instructions for changing your address**. You will need to have a valid credit card for paying the \$10.00 fee, and you will need access to a printer so that you can print out your temporary receipt. **Otherwise, go in person to one of the Texas DPS locations.**



Texas DPS Statewide Information (512) 424-2600