



TOWN OF WESTBROOK  
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### **VETERAN'S BENEFITS**

YOU MUST BE A TOWN OF WESTBROOK RESIDENT ON THE ASSESSMENT DATE OF OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> TO RECEIVE A VETERAN'S EXEMPTION.

**REGULAR VETERAN'S EXEMPTION:** TO QUALIFY FOR A REGULAR VETERAN'S EXEMPTION, THE VETERAN MUST HAVE SERVED AT LEAST 90 DAYS DURING WARTIME AND RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE. ORIGINAL DISCHARGE PAPERS (DD-214) OR SEPARATION PAPERS MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. THERE IS NO INCOME CRITERIA FOR THIS EXEMPTION. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT QUALIFYING, PLEASE STOP BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

**DISABLED VETERAN'S:** DISABLED VETERANS WHO RECEIVE ELIGIBILITY LETTERS DIRECTLY FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS MAY BE ENTITLED TO INCREASED PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR SERVICE RELATED DISABILITIES. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THIS EXEMPTION, THE VETERAN MUST FILE THE DISABILITY LETTER WITH THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

**ADDITIONAL VETERAN'S EXEMPTIONS:** AN ADDITIONAL BENEFIT IS AVAILABLE FOR VETERANS WITH INCOMES LOWER THAN \$35,200 FOR A SINGLE PERSON AND \$42,900 FOR A MARRIED COUPLE. THE FILING PERIOD IS FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> THRU OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. QUALIFYING INCOME INCLUDES YOUR FORM 1040 TAX RETURN IF FILED OR SSA 1099 – SOCIAL SECURITY STATEMENT. ADDITIONAL VETERAN'S BENEFITS **DOUBLE** THE REGULAR VETERANS BENEFITS.

QUALIFYING INCOME FOR **100% V.A. DISABLED VETERANS** IS \$18,000 FOR A SINGLE PERSON AND \$21,000 FOR A MARRIED COUPLE. SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME IS NOT CONSIDERED.

A WIDOW/WIDOWER IS ENTITLED TO KEEP 100% OF THEIR SPOUSE'S VETERANS BENEFIT.