

# Application for Property Tax Exemption of a Farm Residence

This application must be filed every year on or before **February 1<sup>st</sup>** of the year for which the exemption is being requested. Return the completed application to: **Your local assessor or Director of Tax Equalization, P O Box 393, Ellendale, ND 58436.** The property owner(s) apply for real property tax exemption for the year **2007** on the property described and certify the following:

**Property Owner:**  
**Property Address:**

**Parcel #:**

**Legal Description:**

**Occupant other than the property owner:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (must qualify in one of the categories)

◆ **SELECT ONLY ONE OF THE FIVE CATEGORIES THAT APPLIES** ◆

***Active Farmer Category***

1. Is the residence located on a tract or contiguous tracts of agricultural land containing 10 or more acres farmed by the occupant? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
2. Is the major portion of the occupant’s time devoted to farming activities? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
3. Did the annual net income from farming constitute 50% or more of the total income, including the income of a spouse if married, during any one of the three preceding calendar years? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
- “Net income from farming” means taxable income from farming as computed for state income tax purposes adjusted as follows:
- i. add back the difference between gross sales price less expenses of sale and the amount reported for sales of agricultural products for which the farmer reported a capital gain.
  - ii. add back interest expense from farming which has been deducted in computing taxable income and,
  - iii. add back depreciation expense from farming activities which has been deducted in computing taxable income.
4. Did the occupant engaged in farming have non-farm income including that of a spouse if married, of more than \$40,000 during each of the three preceding calendar years? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

***Vacant Residence Category***

- \* Was the last use as a farm residence occupied by a farmer according to the above guidelines? .. Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
- \* Was residence last occupied by someone who does not fit the active farmer guidelines?..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

***Farm Laborer Residence Category***

- \* Is the residence being used as part of a farm plant to provide housing for that farmer’s workers? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

***Retired Farmer***

- \* Is the residence occupied by an individual who retired from farming because of illness or age and who at the time of retirement owned and occupied as a farmer the residence in which the applicant lives and for which the exemption is claimed?..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

***Beginning Farmer Category***

- \* Is the residence occupied by an individual who began occupancy and operation of a farm within the three preceding calendar years?..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
- \* Is a major portion of the individual’s time normally devoted to farming activities? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
- \* Did the individual have no farm income or loss in at least one of the prior three years? ..... Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_

**I am willing to furnish proof of income if requested to do so by someone authorized to administer this exemption and I understand that making false statement in a governmental matter is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor provided in N.D.C.C.§12.1-11-02.**

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Signature of Applicant Date

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Assessor or Director of Tax Equalization Date