

\$5000 Widow/Widower Exemption

Who is eligible?

Any widow or widower who is a bona fide Florida resident and property owner may claim this exemption. Upon remarriage, the widow or widower is ineligible for the exemption. The term "widow" shall apply to a woman, and the term "widower" shall apply to a man, whose subsequent remarriage is terminated by annulment.

This exemption does not apply to:

- A divorced woman or man
- A widow or widower who remarries; OR
- A widow or widower who remarries and is subsequently divorced

If your spouse dies after January 1, the widow's exemption will be applied for the following year. It should be noted that the exemption is for \$5000 of assessed value. The actual tax savings from this exemption is about \$60 to \$80.

You will need to provide the following information:

- A copy of the death certificate
- A copy of Florida Driver license or Florida Photo ID

Information provided on this page is a synopsis and should serve as a guideline offered to assist the general public. For detailed information please refer to the Florida Constitution (applicable Amendments) and the Florida State Statutes.