

Frequently Asked Questions

Senior Tax Credit

What is the Senior Property Tax Credit? If you are 70 years of age or older, with an annual income that does not exceed three hundred percent (300%) of the federal poverty level and have lived in Kittery for 10 consecutive years, you may qualify for a Senior Property Tax Credit of up to \$1,000 per household.

When Can I Apply? Applications are accepted until the July 1 deadline of each year.

How Do I Apply? Applicants are required to return a completed application to the Deputy Tax Collector, Pauline Brewster. Applications can be submitted via e-mail to pbrewster@kitteryme.org or in person at Town Hall, located at 200 Rogers Road, Kittery, ME 03904. Along with the application, applicants must provide supporting documentation for household income, ie: tax returns, bank statements etc. Applicants must also provide a copy of a valid ID displaying their date of birth, ie: driver's license, birth certificate, passport, etc. If the applicant is applying as a renter, a copy of the rental lease is also required.

What is the Amount of the Credit? Qualifying applicants are eligible to receive a credit of up to \$1,000 per household.

When Will I Receive My Credit? Approved applicants will have the total amount of the credit applied to their real estate taxes by October 1 of the year in which participation is sought.

Can I Apply the Credit to Taxes Owed In A Prior Year? No, the credit only applies to taxes within the tax year participation is sought.

Do I Have To Reapply To Continue Receiving The Credit? Yes, the Senior Property Tax Credit must be reapplied for each year.

Contact Deputy Tax Collector, Pauline Brewster at 207-475-1316, or pbrewster@kitteryme.org for more information.



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Senior Tax Deferral

What is the Senior Property Tax Deferral? If you are 70 years of age or older, with an annual income that does not exceed three hundred percent (300%) of the federal poverty level and have lived in Kittery for 10 consecutive years, in an eligible homestead, you may qualify to defer your property taxes.

When Can I Apply? Applications are accepted throughout the calendar year.

How Do I Apply? Applicants are required to return a completed application to the Deputy Tax Collector, Pauline Brewster. Applications can be submitted via e-mail to pbrewster@kitteryme.org or in person at Town Hall, located at 200 Rogers Road, Kittery, ME 03904. Along with the application, applicants must provide supporting documentation for household income, ie: tax returns, bank statements etc. Applicants must also provide a copy of a valid ID displaying their date of birth, ie: driver's license, birth certificate, passport, etc. If the applicant is applying as a renter, a copy of the rental lease is also required.

How Long Can My Taxes Be Deferred? If you qualify, taxes may be deferred until you transfer ownership of your home, or you cease to use it as your primary residence.

How Will I Be Notified About My Approval Or Denial? Applicants will be notified by mail.

Do I Have to Reapply to Continue Receiving the Deferral? Once approved, no reapplication is needed.

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