

TOWN OF JERICHO ABATEMENT REQUEST FORM

General Information:

Request Number _____

Name of applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Name, Property Owner on the Grand List 2016 _____

Relationship of Applicant to Listed Owner (if other than Listed Owner) _____

New Owner/Purchased date _____

Executor/Administrator of Estate _____

Parcel ID (SPAN) Number _____

Property Type: Residential Commercial Agricultural Forest Land Assessed value _____

Reason for Abatement (check all that apply):

- _____ (1) Taxes of persons who have died insolvent. **24 VSA 1535 (a) (1)**
- _____ (2) Taxes of persons who have been removed from the state. **24 VSA 1535(a)(2)**
- _____ (3) Taxes of person who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, and collection fees.
24 VSA 1535(a)(3)
- _____ (4) Taxes in which there is a manifest error or a mistake of the listers. **24 VSA 1535(a)(4)**
- _____ (5) Taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year. **24 VSA 1535(a)(5)**
- _____ (6) Related to Veteran Exemption --The exemption amount available under 32 VSA 3802(11) to persons otherwise eligible for exemption who file a claim on or after May 1 but before October 1 due to the claimant's sickness or disability or other good cause as determined by the board of abatement; but that exemption amount shall be reduced by 20% of the total exemption for each month or portion of a month the claim is late filed.
24 VSA 1535 (a)(6)
- _____ (7), (8) repealed
- _____ (9) Taxes upon a mobile home moved from the town during the tax year as a result of a change in use of the mobile home park land or parts thereof, or closure of the mobile home park in which the mobile home was sited, pursuant to 10 VSA 6237 **24VSA 1535(a)(9)**

Account Information:

Tax year(s) relevant to this request: _____

Amount being requested for Abatement \$ _____

In your own words state why the Board should abate this bill. _____

I, the applicant, affirm the contents stated herewith are known to me and the information is true. Dated this _____ day of 2016.

Property owner/agent signature: _____

If signed by an agent, attach a copy of a written authorization to sign on behalf of the Listed Owner

For your hearing, you will be responsible for supplying evidence to support your request. The burden of proof is yours to show that you meet at least one of the criteria listed by statute. If you are claiming inability to pay, please bring to the hearing any relevant financial information to prove your case. Personal financial information, including tax returns and related information that is exempt from (not subject to) public inspection under Vermont's Public Records Law will not be shared with the public.

Following receipt of your abatement request, the Board of abatement will notify you of the date, time, and place of your hearing. At the hearing, you will be responsible for supplying evidence to support your abatement request. You are not required to appear in person, although you are encouraged to do so, so you can provide verbal testimony and answer any of the Board's questions. If you do not appear at the hearing, the Board's decision will be based solely on the information provided in this form or submitted with your abatement request. The Board may choose to abate all or part of the taxes, interest and penalties due, but is under no obligation to grant any abatement requests.

You will be notified in writing of the Board's decision.

The filing of this application does not stay the collection of your property tax. To avoid imposition of interest and collection fees, the tax should be paid when due.

If you do not agree with the Board's decision, you may appeal the Board's decision to Superior Court in accordance with Rule 75 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure.