TOWN HALL DIRECTORY

Building/Zoning - Room 8

(401) 568-6206 ext. 1

Clerk - Room 4

(401) 568-6206 ext. 0

- Vital Records
- Code of Ordinances
- Licenses
- Probate
- Public Records Requests
- Registry for Local Regulations
- Town Meetings
- Trade Name Certificates
- Board of Canvassers
- Voting
- Notary

Finance - Room 1

(401) 568-6206 ext. 5

Glocester School Dept - Room 10

(401) 568-6206 ext. 8

This is for the Glocester schools only. For the Foster-Glocester Regional School System, please call (401) 710-7500 ext. 4.

Human Services - Room 12

(401) 568-6206 ext. 222

Hours: M, W, Th - 10:00am - 1:00pm; Tu, Fri - Closed Food Pantry: Wednesdays 10:00am - 1:00pm

Planning - Room 8

(401) 568-6206 ext. 2

Recreation

(401) 568-6206 ext. 224

Tax Assessor - Room 3

(401) 568-6206 ext. 3

- Assesses Property
- Assessment Appeals
- Exemptions

Tax Collector – Room 2

(401) 568-6206 ext. 4

- Collects Tax Payments
- Tax Sales
- Motor Vehicle Holds

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

For a complete listing of the Town Directory, please visit our website: www.glocesterri.org

Animal Control: (401) 568-3885

Emergency Management: (401) 568-2533

Police Station: (401) 568-2533 Public Works: (401) 568-5540 Senior Center: (401) 568-4557 Transfer Station: (401) 568-1130

Fire Districts:

Chepachet – (401) 568-5200 Harmony – (401) 949-1188 W. Glocester – (401) 568-2422

TOWN OF GLOCESTER

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Hours 8:00am – 4:30pm

Town Hall
General
Information
And
Property
Tax Exemptions

EXEMPTIONS

Applications for <u>ALL</u> exemptions must be turned in no later than March 15 of the year the exemption is sought.

Homestead – The Town of Glocester does <u>not</u> offer a homestead exemption.

Variable – This exemption is no longer available for new applications. Property owners with this exemption on or before August 17, 2017 are grandfathered into this program. This is an income based exemption. Mobile homes are not eligible for this exemption. Property owners with this exemption should contact the Assessor's office with any questions or concerns.

Elderly – Property owners who meet the ownership/occupancy and age requirements are eligible for this exemption. This exemption is for real estate only. Mobile homes are not eligible for this exemption.

80 and Older – This exemption is an extension of the variable and elderly exemptions. To qualify, owners must be 80 years of age or older and must own and occupy the property for twenty (20) years.

Disability – Property owners who are 100% disabled and meet the ownership/occupancy and age requirements are eligible for this exemption. Additional information and documentation will be required from the applicant. This exemption is for real estate only. Mobile homes are not eligible for this exemption.

Veteran – The applicant must have served in active duty in a qualifying conflict and received an honorable discharge in accordance with RI Gen Law §44-3-4 and §44-3-4.2. You will be required to provide a copy of your DD-214. You must be a resident of RI to receive this exemption. This exemption is applied to real estate first. If there is no real estate to apply the exemption to, it can be applied to motor vehicles or other tangible property such as a mobile home or camper.

Service Connected Disability – Veterans must be 100% disabled due to active service and received an honorable discharge in accordance with RI Gen Law §44-3-4 and §44-3-4.2. You will be required to provide a copy of your DD-214. You must be a resident of RI to receive this exemption. This exemption is applied to real estate first. If there is no real estate to apply the exemption to, it can be applied to motor vehicles or other tangible property such as a mobile home or camper.

Blind – Please contact the Assessor's office.

EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

Ownership/Occupancy Requirements

The property must be your legal primary residence. You must own and occupy the property:

For a period of not less than five (5) years immediately preceding the application if the property was purchased on or before August 17, 2017; OR

For a period of not less than ten (10) years immediately preceding the application if the property was purchased on or after August 18, 2017

Age Requirements

Disability – You must be 64 years of age or younger on or before December 31 of the previous year.

Elderly – You must be 65 years of age or older on or before December 31 of the previous year. For example, to qualify for the 2019 tax roll, you must be 65 on or before December 31, 2018.

Minimum Tax Bill Requirements

Property owners who are not receiving an Elderly exemption on or after August 18, 2017 are subject to a minimum tax bill of \$600. If an exemption brings the tax bill below the minimum, your exemption will be prorated and the tax bill will be brought up to the \$600 minimum until the entire exemption is absorbed.

Termination

All exemptions shall terminate upon conveyance of the subject property, death of the person(s) exempt or the moving of such person(s) from the Town of Glocester, or in the case of a disability, when the physical or mental illness is terminated, or when said exempted person(s) otherwise fail to qualify.

Exemptions can be transferred to a different property provided the requirements are met as set out in the Town's Code of Ordinances §247-11. It is the property owner's responsibility to contact the Assessor's office in the event an exemption needs to be transferred to a different property.

Exemption Renewal

All applicants will be required to check in with the Assessor's office in person each year. The Assessor's office will send out notifications when the renewal period begins. Renewals do not apply to Veteran exemptions.

Please contact the Tax Assessor's office for more information or to obtain application forms. (401) 568-6206 ext. 3.

IMPORTANT DATES

January: Variable exemption renewals sent by end of the month.

January 1: Acceptance of tangible/personal property filings.

January 30: FFOS Renewals for the current year due.

January 31: Tangible/Personal property filings or extension request due.

February 1: 3rd quarter of previous year's tax bill due.

March 15: ALL exemption renewals and new applications for the current year due.

March 15: Tangible/Personal property filings that were granted extensions due.

May 1: 4th quarter of previous year's tax bill due.

July: Tax bills mailed $2^{nd} - 3^{rd}$ week.

August: Motor vehicle appeals due within 45 days of the mailing of the bills. Appeals **must be in office** on or before the 45th day. Appeals received after day 45 will be denied.

August 1: 1st quarter of the current year's tax bill due.

August 1: Appeal period for real estate and tangible/personal property begins. RI Gen Law §44-5-26

October 30: Appeal period for real estate/tangible property ends. Appeal forms **must be in office** on or before October 30. Forms received October 31 or later will be denied.

November: FFOS and standard elderly exemption renewals sent by end of month.

November 1: 2nd quarter of current year's taxes due.

December: Disability exemption renewals sent by end of month.

December: Tangible/Personal property forms sent by end of month.