

Press Release-Town of Amherst Assessor's Office

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- **EXEMPTION FILING DEADLINE**
 - **IMPORTANT DATE –PLEASE MAKE NOTE**
 - **EFFECTS ALL EXEMPTION FILINGS –NEW OR RENEWALS**

Taxable status is March 1st, 2020 effective with the filing of the 2020 Assessment Roll.

- Taxpayers **RENEWING** for any REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION, for example **LOW INCOME SENIOR**(over age 65, total income below \$35,400), **DISABILITY**, **NOT FOR PROFIT, CLERGY, AGRICULTURAL OR OTHERS**; must renew his or her exemption on or before **March 1st, 2020**
 - Renewals were mailed to all eligible taxpayers in October of 2019. Many people have already submitted the proper information and have renewed for 2020. If you have not, please be sure to come to the Assessor's office by March 1st, 2020. The Office is located at:
5583 Main St, Williamsville, NY 14221
Hours are 8:00AM-5:00PM Daily
- If you are unsure if you have renewed, please call the Assessor's Office at 631-7038 to determine your status.
- **NEW OWNERS OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY FILING** for **BASIC STAR** or **ENHANCED STAR**. You no longer file with the local Assessor but file directly with New York State. Call (518)457-2036 or go to www.tax.ny.gov
 - Taxpayers filing **NEW** for **DISABILITY /LOW INCOME SENIOR/VETERANS EXEMPTIONS, BUSINESS INVESTMENT EXEMPTION (485-b), AGRICULTURAL, CLERGY, NOT FOR PROFIT, OR OTHERS**; must file his or her exemption on or before **March 1st, 2020**.
 - If you are turning 65 in 2019 or 2020 AND currently have Basic STAR, and owned your home prior to 2015 (the Basic STAR is a reduction on your School tax Bill not a check), you may be eligible for Enhanced STAR .Call or visit the assessor's office for information and how to apply.
 - If you already have a VETERANS Exemption, that **DOES NOT** have to be renewed unless you have a Veterans Disability and your disability rating changes.

For further information please contact the Town of Amherst Assessor's Office at 631-7038 .Office hours are 8:00am-5:00pm Monday-Friday.