

Important Information Regarding Your Homestead Exemption

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Filing a New Certification

To remain eligible for the homestead exemption, you must file a completed Nebraska Homestead Exemption Application or Certification of Status, Form 458, with your county assessor. The Form 458 must be filed after February 1, 2017 and by June 30, 2017 or you will not be eligible for a homestead exemption for the 2017 assessment year.

- Review the preidentified information on the enclosed form, answer all questions, and make any corrections or additions to the form in a clear and legible manner.
- Carefully check Social Security numbers, the homestead exemption category, and the single or married (closely-related) designation. If you are a single applicant and another owner-occupant is either your parent, child, brother, or sister, you qualify as closely-related and have the same income limits as married claimants.
- Indicate whether you are a citizen of the U.S. or a qualified alien under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act. If you are a qualified alien, please provide your alien registration number in the space provided.
- The form must be signed by the person claiming the exemption, or that person's guardian.
- Retain a copy for your records.

Filing the Nebraska Schedule I – Income Statement

The enclosed Form 458, Nebraska Schedule I – Income Statement, must be completed and attached to your 2017 Form 458 if you are filing under categories 1, 2, 3, 6 or 7. Schedule I is not required if you are filing under categories 4 or 5. This schedule allows a deduction for qualifying medical expenses to determine household income. If it is not filed with the Form 458, you will not be eligible for a homestead exemption for the 2017 assessment year.

- Print your name and Social Security number.
- If you were **not** required to file a 2016 federal income tax return, complete only Part I and Worksheet A of Schedule I. If you were required to file a 2016 federal income tax return, complete only Part II of Schedule I.
- Married applicants **must** report income for **both** spouses.
- Additional owner-occupants must each file a separate income statement.
- Please follow the Schedule I instructions carefully. Retain copies of Schedule I and Worksheet A.

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