

## DECLARATIONS

### PERSONAL PROPERTY

If you own a business in Brunswick as of April 1st, you must complete a Personal Property Declaration. If you did not receive a declaration form, please request one from this office or visit our website. The current depreciation schedule is also posted on our website.

### MOBILE HOMES

If you own a mobile home in Brunswick as of April 1st, you must complete a Mobile Home Declaration. It is required that a form be filled out each year. It is important we receive this information so that our records are accurate. **You must notify this office if you have purchased or sold a mobile home.**

## PROPERTY TAX APPEALS

Requests for property tax appeals must be filed in writing within 185 days of commitment. Based upon a commitment day of September 4, 2009, the last day to apply for abatement would be March 8, 2010.

### REDUCED VALUATIONS FOR LAND

Maine State Law allows reduced valuations for Farm, Forest, Open Space and Working Waterfront. For more information, please refer to our website. Applications must be filed by April 1st.

### MAINE RESIDENTS PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND PROGRAM

The State of Maine has the Property Tax and Rent Refund Program. The program is based on income and residency. For more information, please refer to our website.

### MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES

If your mailing address on your envelope is not correct, please call and provide us with the correct one. Remembering to change your address with the Assessing Office will ensure you receive your tax bill promptly.

**On the website we have available:**

**Tax maps**

**Aerial photographs**

**Sales data**

**Applications**

## TOWN OF BRUNSWICK

### ASSESSOR'S NOTICE

**April 1, 2010**

**Effective Tax Year  
7/1/2010-6/30/2011**



Maine State Law requires that the Assessor annually give notice in writing to all persons in the municipality liable to taxation to furnish a list of all estates, not exempt from taxation, to which they owned on the first day of April. No notification is needed if there have been no changes to the property.

**Exemptions**

**Tax & Rent Refund Program**

**Reimbursement Programs**

**Reduced Valuation for Land**

**Declarations**

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## TAX EXEMPTIONS

State of Maine requires all applications for exemptions **must be filed by April 1st.** If you currently receive the exemption, you do not need to reapply. Check your tax bill to see which exemptions you are receiving.

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If you recently moved within Brunswick, please call the office to make sure the exemptions you were receiving on your previous home are now applied to your new home.



### HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

**\*\*Law change for 2010\*\***

**The amount of the homestead exemption has been reduced from a just value of \$13,000 to a just value of \$10,000. This amount will be adjusted according to the Town's ratio of assessed value to market value.**

All residents who own a homestead property, **including mobile homes**, in Maine for 12 months as of April 1st may qualify for an exemption from taxes. This is not based on income. Properties in revocable living trusts also qualify.

## VETERANS EXEMPTION

A Veteran who served on active duty in the armed forces may be eligible for an exemption from taxes in the place where they reside provided:

- Property must be owned by the veteran, joint ownership with spouse or held in a revocable living trust for the benefit of the veteran.
- They served during a recognized war period **and** have reached the age of 62  
or
- They served during a federally recognized war period and are receiving 100% service-connected or non service-connected disability as a veteran;  
or
- They were injured during active military service in the line of duty and are receiving 100% service-connected disability as a veteran;  
or
- They were awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal **and** have reached the age of 62;  
or
- They were awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and are receiving 100% service-connected or non service-connected disability as a veteran;  
or
- They served during a recognized war period and received a grant as a paraplegic veteran for specially adapted housing units.
- Widow or Widower of a qualifying veteran may apply for the exemption.