



Town of Branford

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE  
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**APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FOR SPECIALLY EQUIPPED MOTOR VEHICLES**

**Application must be filed annually by October 1<sup>st</sup>**

For ambulance-type vehicles used exclusively to transport medially incapacitated individuals for no fee  
**OR**

For any vehicle owned by a disabled person or their guardian, which has been specially adapted to accommodate a person with disabilities.

See attached ordinance for specific definitions and legislation.

Exemption expires when annual application is not made or when vehicle is sold.

New application and inspection required for replacement vehicles.

Title of Ownership: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicles Garage Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Description: Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Vin #: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the purchase price include special equipment? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the vehicle modified after purchase: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

List all special equipment and cost: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is this vehicle used exclusively for transporting a medically handicap person?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Disable Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Disabled Person to Title Owner of vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence of Handicap Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number of Disabled Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this vehicle use for transporting any individual for payment?

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

With this initial application the following information is mandatory:

- Letter from a physician stating that the applicant is disabled and requires ambulatory modification to vehicle.
- Legal Guardianship documents if applicable.
- Copy of Current Motor Vehicle Registration
- Documents describing the ambulatory modifications attributed to the disabled applicant.
- If this vehicle is sold or replaced you must notify the Assessor's Office with a copy of the Bill of Sale, a plate receipt and information applicable to the replacement vehicle. The Replacement vehicle would need a new application per the town Ordinance.

*A person with disabilities means an individual that meets the definition in the ordinance of medically incapacitated individual. However, an individual with a minor non-chronic condition of short duration shall not be considered to be a person with disabilities for the purpose of this application.*

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title Vehicle Owner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved After Inspection: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grand List Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ARTICLE XI

**Handicapped Vehicle Tax Exemption  
[Adopted 3-13-2019]****§ 220-32. Exemption for ambulance-type motor vehicles.**

A. There is hereby created, pursuant to Section 12-81c of the Connecticut General Statutes, an exemption from personal property taxation for:

- (1) Any ambulance-type motor vehicle which is used exclusively for the purpose of transporting any medically incapacitated individual, except any such vehicle used to transport any such individual for profit;
- (2) Any property owned by a nonprofit ambulance company; and
- (3) Any motor vehicle owned by a person with disabilities, or owned by the parent or guardian of such person, which vehicle is equipped for the purposes of adapting its use to the disability of such person.

**§ 220-33. Definitions.**

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**AMBULANCE-TYPE VEHICLE/HANDICAPPED EQUIPPED VEHICLE** — Any motor vehicle specially equipped or modified in a significant way for the purpose of transporting any medically incapacitated individual. Such special equipment or modification includes but is not limited to the installing of lifts, equipping with stretchers, beds or other special seating or any significant modifications to accommodate medical or emergency equipment.

**MEDICALLY INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUAL** — Any person for whose benefit certain special equipment or modifications referenced in the definition of "ambulance-type vehicle/handicapped equipped vehicle" is necessary.

**TRANSPORTING** — The provision of vehicular transportation for such medically incapacitated individuals by themselves or another person.

**USED EXCLUSIVELY** — The vehicle is used for and devoted solely to the purpose of transporting one or more medically incapacitated individuals, and does not mean vehicles used partly for transporting medically incapacitated individuals and partly for other purposes.

**§ 220-34. Application for exemption.**

Applications for the exemption permitted by this article shall be filed annually with the Assessor of the Town of Branford, in such manner and including such information as required by the Assessor, not later than October 1 which is the assessment date with respect to which such exemption is claimed. In the case of vehicles purchased on or after October 2 and on or before July 31 of the assessment year for which such exemption is requested, not later than 30 days after such purchase. Applications for exemption relative to the assessment year which commenced on October 1, 2019, shall be made on or before 30 days of the effective date of this article or for vehicles purchased after said effective date but on or before July 31, 2020, not later than 30 days after such purchase.

**§ 220-35. Medical documentation; expiration of exemption.**

- A. The Assessor may require medical documentation verifying that the modifications to the vehicle are directly related to the medical incapacity or the physical disability of the individual seeking such exemption.
- B. Any such exemption shall expire when the applicable vehicle is sold.

**§ 220-36. Applicability.**

This article shall be applicable with respect to the assessment year that commences October 1, 2019.