

GRANT COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

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County Assessor

65 YEARS OR OLDER OR 100% DISABLED VALUATION FREEZE

2016 DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Property Owner,

To qualify for the Value Freeze, the property owner's **Modified Gross Income** must be **\$32,000** or less for the **2015** tax year. **Modified Gross Income** means the **total combined income** of taxpayer and taxpayer's spouse and dependents that reside at residence. (NM Income Tax Act Section 7-2-2 L)

Please complete the **Assessor's Application** and attach the following documents:

- **Age:** Copy of Photo ID showing date of birth
- **Occupancy:** Property must be owned by and be the primary residence of the applicant
- **Identification of Property:** Provide a physical address, legal description and account number
- **Verification of Income of applicant, spouse and dependents:**

2015 NM STATE PIT-RC FORM (NM Rebate and Credit Schedule)

2015 Federal 1040 US Tax Return

If Applicant is 100% Disabled and less than 65 years old:

Also provide a letter from the Social Security Office stating the month/year when disability was first declared under the Social Security Act.

This Valuation Freeze:

- Is for the **2016** property tax year and based on **2015** income tax returns.
- Is a freeze on the valuation of the property. **It is not a freeze on the taxes.**
- Is not automatically renewed. **You must apply for three consecutive years.**

Once your application and related documents have been received, they will be reviewed. You will be notified if you have been approved or denied for the valuation freeze.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 575-574-0030.

Grant County Assessor's Office

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO - 2016 TAX YEAR

**Application Form
Revised 11/2015**

**APPLICATION-LIMITATION ON INCREASE IN
VALUE FOR SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS
OCCUPIED BY LOW INCOME OWNERS 65
YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR DISABLED**

**Pursuant to 7-36-21.3 NMSA 2000
as Amended in 2013**

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

County Name	County Assessor's Phone Number	Tax Year
Applicant's First Name		Middle Initial
Last Name		
Present Mailing Address (Number & Street, P. O. Box or Rural Route)		
City & State	Zip Code	Phone Number
Driver's License or Personal ID Certificate (Number & State)		Date of Birth

PART I Physical Address / Legal Description of Property	Uniform Property Code (UPC)

A Is the property the applicant's primary residence?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
B Is the property occupied by the applicant and is he or she the current owner?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
C Will the applicant be age 65 or over during the current tax year?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
D Is the applicant disabled?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	

PART II	Enter "Modified Gross Income", all income received by the applicant, applicant's spouse and dependants. Please see section 7-2-2 (L) of the Income Tax Act.		(Round to nearest whole dollar amount.) Gross Annual Income
1	Compensation	1	.00
2	Net profit derived from business	2	.00
3	Gains derived from dealings in property	3	.00
4	Interest	4	.00
5	Net rents	5	.00
6	Royalties	6	.00
7	Dividends	7	.00
8	Alimony and separate maintenance payments	8	.00
9	Annuities	9	.00
10	Income from life insurance and endowment contracts	10	.00
11	Pensions	11	.00
12	Discharge of indebtedness	12	.00
13	Distributive share of partnership	13	.00
14	Income in respect of a decedent	14	.00
15	Income from an interest in an estate or trust	15	.00
16	Social Security benefits	16	.00
17	Unemployment compensation	17	.00
18	Workers' compensation benefits	18	.00
19	Public assistance and welfare benefits	19	.00
20	Cost-of living allowances	20	.00
21	Gifts	21	.00
Total Modified Gross Income (Add lines 1 thru 21.)			.00

PART III	CERTIFICATION BY PROPERTY OWNER - (To be signed by Applicant)	
<p>I certify that I am the legal owner of this property, I am living on this property and the income and age statements made are true and accurate. I understand that false statements made intentionally on this application may be penalized as provided for in 7-38-92 and 7-38-93 of the Property Tax Code.</p> <p>Amended income tax returns shall be reported within 30 days of filing.</p>		
Applicant Signature: _____		Date: _____

PART IV	VALUATION LIMITATION (To be completed by the County Assessor)	Qualifies?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
The records of _____ County indicate the property value is \$ _____ as of the Tax Year _____ Notice of Value					
Valuation Limitation Authorized by: _____					Date: _____

STATE OF NEW MEXICO - 2016 TAX YEAR

Eligibility Requirements:

GENERAL – This application is for the current tax year only and is based on the previous year's income. An owner who has claimed and been allowed the limitation of value for the three previous consecutive tax years need not claim the limitation for subsequent tax years if there is no change in eligibility.

(1) AGE: After the year 2001, the applicant must be age 65 years or older during the year in which the application is made.

The applicant should be prepared to provide evidence that he/she fulfills the age requirement by presenting a photo ID showing his/her date of birth.

(2) OCCUPANCY: Applicant must be the owner and occupant of the property for which the application is being submitted. The property listed on this application is eligible only if it is the *primary residence* of the applicant and does not apply to other properties owned by the applicant.

- (a) The applicant must be able to provide certified copies of relevant documents.
- (b) The property must be the primary residence of the applicant.

(3) DISABLED: Means a person who has been determined to be blind or permanently disabled with medical improvements not expected pursuant to 42 USCA 421 for purposes of federal Social Security Act [42 USC § 301 et seq.] or is determined to have a permanent total disability pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act [Chapter 52, Article 1 NMSA 1978].

(Part I) IDENTIFICATION OF REAL PROPERTY: One of the following should be provided to the assessor to identify the property for which the application is submitted.

- (a) Physical address of the property
- (b) Legal description
- (c) Uniform Property Code (UPC)
- (d) Other property tax identification numbers or codes

(Part II) INCOME: The previous year's modified gross income must be \$24,600 or less for subsections A & C, and \$32,000 per year or less for subsection B. New Mexico Income Tax Act (Section 7-2-2, L.) states modified gross income means all income, undiminished by losses from whatever source derived. This applies to the total combined income of the taxpayer and his/her spouse and dependents.

The applicant should be prepared to present copies of state and federal income tax forms for the year prior to application or any other documents that will provide evidence that the applicant fulfills the income requirements. Amended tax returns should be reported to the assessor within 30 days of the reporting to the IRS or New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department. Amended returns may affect your eligibility.

(Part III) VALUATION LIMITATION: (To be completed by the County Assessor)

(a) **If qualified-65 years of age or older:** Amount calculated shall not be greater than the valuation of the property for property taxation purposes in the: (1) 2001 tax year. (2) year in which the owner has his 65th birthday, if that is after 2001 or; (3) tax year following the tax year in which an owner who turns 65 or is 65 years of age or older first owns and occupies the property, if that is after 2001.

(b) **If qualified-Disabled:** Amount calculated shall not be greater than the valuation of the property for property taxation purposes in the (1) 2003 tax year; (2) year in which the owner is determined to be disabled, if that is after 2003; or (3) tax year following the tax year in which an owner who is disabled or who is determined, in that year, to be disabled first owns and occupies the property if that is after 2003.

(c) **If not qualified:** - Upon determination that the applicant does not qualify, the assessor will immediately notify the applicant in written form.