

## **Veteran's Benefits**

### **Veteran's Exemption**

A veteran is described as a person who has served in the armed forces or is currently serving on active duty. To be eligible for this exemption a veteran must have served during an active period of war for at least 90 days, received an honorable discharge, and have his/her discharge (DD214) on file with the Town Clerk prior to October 1. If the veteran is currently serving on active duty, he/she must show proof prior to October 1. The veteran's exemption will be applied toward their real estate or motor vehicle assessment.

### **Disabled Veteran's Exemption**

Disabled veterans may receive an assessment exemption of \$3,000 to \$6,000 based on their disability. If you are entitled to a disability pension as determined by the VA, whether you served during an active period of war or not, you are eligible for a disabled Veteran's Exemption. You must file your award of disability rating (Form 20-5455) every October with the Assessor. Also, proof of military service discharge (DD214) must be filed with the Town Clerk.

### **Additional Veteran's Exemption Income Requirement**

Low income disabled and wartime veterans may receive additional exemption benefits. An application must be filed with the Assessor's Office between February 1 and October 1. Proof of income received in the previous calendar year must be provided. Following approval of the initial application by the Assessor, the applicant must re-file every two years. In the period between filings, applicants must notify the Assessor of any significant change in their income.

### **Local Veteran's Exemption**

If you qualify for the Additional Veteran's Exemption, you qualify for this exemption.

### **In-Service Motor Vehicle Exemption**

A member of the armed forces, who is currently on active duty, may be eligible to have one passenger motor vehicle exempt from property tax. To qualify, the individual must complete a form annually and have his/her commanding officer sign the form stating that the individual is on active duty and has the motor vehicle garaged with him/her. This form must be returned to the Assessor's Office by December 31 following the tax due date.