

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE VETERANS EXEMPTION (RPTL, Sec 458-a)

1. In order to be considered for the Alternative Veterans Exemption, you must supply an originally signed application form (RP 458-a), along with copies of the following documents:

- A. DD – 214;
- B. Driver's License or Voter Registration Card;
- C. Marriage Certificate (if applicant-spouse of a veteran solely owns the residence);
- D. Death Certificate (if application filed by surviving spouse); and
- E. Disability Letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs with a percentage disability rating (if applicant seeking an increased exemption due to the disability)

2. You are eligible for the Active (non-combat) Exemption if you served during one or more of the following periods of War (*Knolls cooperative residents are not eligible for an Alternative Veterans Exemption*):

	<b>From:</b>	<b>Through:</b>
Persian Gulf Conflict	August 2, 1990	Present
Vietnam War	February 28, 1961	May 7, 1975
Korean War	June 27, 1950	January 31, 1955
World War II	December 7, 1941	December 31, 1946
World War I	April 6, 1917	November 11, 1918
Mexican Border Period	May 9, 1916	April 5, 1917
Spanish/American War	April 21, 1898	July 4, 1902

3. You are eligible for an increased Active (Combat) Exemption if you received one or more of the following medals or ribbons during the above-referenced periods of war **and** the medals or ribbons are reflected in your DD-214:

Asiatic-Pacific Campaign	Korea Service Medal
Combat Infantry Badge	Korea Service Ribbon
Combat Action Badge	Liberation Kuwait Medal
Europe-Afro-Mid East Ribbon or Medal	Middle Eastern Ribbon
Expeditionary Medal	Southwest Asia Service Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal	Vietnam Service Ribbon

4. You are eligible for an increased Active (**Disability**) Exemption if you have a service related disability **and** the disability rating (percentage of disability) is verified in a Disability Letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

**NOTE:** (1) Members of the Merchant Marines or Coast Guard during these periods are entitled to this additional combat exemption if the ship on which they served is listed on the DD-214, or if they received any of the above medals or ribbons; (2) National Guard members or Reservists are not eligible unless they were Federally activated during wartime; and (3) Battle "E" efficiency is not considered an expeditionary medal.