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Homestead exemption *filing checklist.*

File once, by March 1, and it renews automatically while you live there. Miss the deadline and the exemption generally waits until the next tax year.

Do you qualify?

- ☐ You owned the home on January 1 of the tax year
- ☐ It was your permanent residence on January 1
- ☐ You are a Florida resident and claim no residency-based exemption elsewhere

What to have ready

- ☐ Florida driver license or ID showing the property address
- ☐ Florida vehicle registration
- ☐ Florida voter registration, or a declaration of domicile
- ☐ Social Security numbers for all owners living there
- ☐ Recorded deed or closing statement
- ☐ If you are not a U.S. citizen: permanent resident card

How to file

- ☐ File online or in person with the Orange County Property Appraiser (ocpafl.org)
- ☐ Deadline: March 1 of the first tax year you want the exemption
- ☐ File portability (Form DR-501T) at the same time if you left a Florida homestead within the last three tax years
- ☐ Ask about additional exemptions: senior, veteran, disability, widow or widower

What the exemption is worth

TAX YEAR	SCHOOL TAXES	OTHER TAXES
2026	$25,000 off assessed value	**up to $51,411 off**
2027 (Amendment 3, estimate)	$25,000 off	**up to $150,000 off**
2028 (Amendment 3, estimate)	$25,000 off	**up to $250,000 off**

Amendment 3 was approved by voters on November 3, 2026 (unofficial until certified; implementing law pending). People who become Florida residents after 2026 phase in from $50,000. Save Our Homes then caps annual assessment increases at 3% or inflation, whichever is lower.