

STAR property tax relief



Department of
Taxation and Finance

What's New...

There have been some changes in how certain homeowners will apply for STAR, and in how they receive their STAR benefit. The STAR Program continues to provide much-needed property tax relief to New York State's homeowners.

New applicants who qualify for Basic or Enhanced STAR

- You will register with New York State instead of applying with your assessor.
- You will receive a STAR credit in the form of a check, rather than receiving a property tax exemption (if you qualify for STAR). The dollar value of the credit will be the same as the property tax exemption.

New applicants who qualify for Enhanced STAR (or who will qualify in the future)

- You do not need to register separately to receive the Enhanced benefit if you've already registered to receive the Basic benefit.

When you register for the STAR credit, the Tax Department will automatically review your application to determine whether you are eligible for the Basic or Enhanced STAR benefit amount.

If you	then you
are receiving a STAR exemption and purchased your current home prior to May 1, 2014,	Do not need to register; you will continue to receive the STAR exemption. Your 2016-17 School Tax bill will reflect your STAR savings amount.
purchased your home between May 1, 2014, and August 1, 2015,	<p>Need to register to receive the STAR credit if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• You did not apply for the STAR exemption for your home by the 3/1/2015 application deadline or you did not apply for the STAR exemption for your home by the 2015 application deadline – 3/1/2015.• Your 2016-17 School Tax bill will not reflect your STAR savings amount. Your tax bill will indicate the amount of your STAR check that you will receive in the mail. <p>Otherwise, no action is necessary; you will continue to receive the STAR exemption. Your 2016-17 School Tax bill will reflect your STAR savings amount.</p>
purchased your home after August 1, 2015,	<p>Need to register for the STAR credit.</p> <p>Your 2016-17 School Tax bill will not reflect your STAR savings amount. Your tax bill will indicate the amount of your STAR check that you will receive in the mail.</p>

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