



Senior Exemption for Tax Year 2020: Eligibility and Supporting Documents

To demonstrate that the property is eligible for the Senior Exemption for Tax Year 2020, you must provide documents that verify your (the applicant's) identity, date of birth, 2020 property occupancy, and tax liability.

Important: Be sure to supply a **copy** of any verification document(s) required. If someone is representing the applicant in submitting this application, please also supply an Attorney/Representative Authorization Form.

Step 1: Verify Identity and 2020 Occupancy of this Property

The photo ID you provide must be current and not expired. **If your name is different** between any verification document(s) provided for Step 1 or Step 2, you must **also** submit documentation sufficient to verify the name change, such as a certified marriage certificate, certified divorce decree, etc.

One photo ID from List A may meet all requirements.		
<p>The name and property address must verify the application. The date of issue must verify that you occupied this property in 2020 or earlier.</p>	<p>List A: Photo IDs that verify identity, date of birth, and 2020 occupancy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illinois Drivers License / ID Card • Matrícula Consular ID • City of Chicago ID Card 	
OR please provide one photo ID from List B and one document from List C and an Occupancy Affidavit.		
<p>The name on the photo ID must verify the application.</p> <p>The name, property address, and date of the List C document must verify that you occupied this property in 2020 or earlier.</p>	<p>List B: Photo IDs that verify identity and date of birth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illinois Drivers License / ID Card • Matrícula Consular ID • City of Chicago ID Card • Passport • Certificate of Naturalization (N-550/N-570) • Permanent Resident Card (I-551) • Refugee Travel Document (I-571) • Employment Authorization Card (I-766) 	<p>List C: Documents that verify January 1, 2020 occupancy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mailed bank statement • Mailed landline, cable, or internet bill • Mailed pay stub or Social Security Award letter • Voting record from 2020 (from Cook County Clerk's Office or Chicago Board of Elections) <p>Occupancy Affidavit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at cookcountyassessor.com

Step 2: Verify Property Tax Liability for this Property

If you are listed on the deed recorded at the Office of the Cook County Clerk:

This verifies your property tax liability. The Assessor's Office staff can verify recorded deeds for you, so you do not need to provide a document.

OR if you are not listed on the recorded deed:

<p>Provide a copy of one of the following documents to verify you are liable for payment of property taxes for this property.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deed (if not recorded) or contract for a deed • Lease (only single-family homes are eligible) • Trust • Stock certificate • Occupancy agreement
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