



**APPLICATION TO THE ASSESSOR FOR EXEMPTION OF OPEN SPACE LAND  
OWNED BY A TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION**

Declaration of policy encouraging preservation by tax-exempt organizations: It is hereby found and declared that it is in the public interest to encourage organizations which are tax-exempt for federal income tax purposes to hold open space land in perpetuity for educational, scientific, aesthetic or other equivalent passive uses, for the benefit of the public in general.

*Please print. Complete all appropriate sections, attaching additional sheets if necessary.  
See reverse for additional filing information.*

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Location: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number & Street)

(Town)

(State)

(Zip Code)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number & Street or P.O. Box)

(Town)

(State)

(Zip Code)

Does the organization have a determination letter issued by the Internal Revenue

Service stating that contributions to the organization are deductible?

☐ YES ☐ NO

If YES, attach copy of letter to this application.

Is the land being held in perpetuity for educational, scientific, esthetic or other equivalent passive uses?

☐ YES ☐ NO

Is the land being held for the benefit of the public in general?

☐ YES ☐ NO

Total acreage of land: # \_\_\_\_\_

(Acres)

Portion in actual use for open space purposes: # \_\_\_\_\_

(Acres)

Description of land: \_\_\_\_\_

*Complete Items 1 and 2, entering general description of land's use and show number of acres for each such use.  
Assessor will complete Items 3 and 4 if application is approved.*

1	2	3	4
TRACT / PARCEL	# ACRES	ASSESSED VALUE	EXEMPT ASSESSMENT
TOTAL ELIGIBLE ACRES:			
TOTAL EXEMPT ASSESSMENT:			

*Owner's Affidavit*

I DO HEREBY DECLARE under penalty of false statement that the statements made herein by me are true according to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I am authorized to file this property tax exemption application for the above-named organization.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Agent or Officer

Title

*Assessor's Verification Section*

Acquisition Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Map / Block / Lot: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Acreage: \_\_\_\_\_ Acreage Exempt: \_\_\_\_\_

Vol. / Page: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Recorded: \_\_\_\_\_

Application approved: ☐ YES ☐ NO Reason for denial: \_\_\_\_\_

/S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor

Date

ASSESSOR: FORWARD COMPLETED COPY OF APPLICATION TO APPLICANT  
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***FILING INFORMATION***

The term "open space land" means any area of land, including forest land, land designated as wetland under §22a-30 of the Connecticut General Statutes and not excluding farm land, the preservation or restriction of the use of which would (1) maintain and enhance the conservation of natural or scenic resources, (2) protect natural streams or water supply, (3) promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches or tidal marshes, (4) enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open spaces, (5) enhance public recreation opportunities, (6) preserve historic sites or (7) promote orderly urban or suburban development.

Pursuant to §12-107f(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes, an application for an exemption from state or municipal assessments for improvements or betterments for open space lands must be filed annually by an organization that is tax exempt for federal tax purposes. This property tax exemption is available with respect to open space land the organization holds in perpetuity for educational, scientific, aesthetic or other equivalent passive uses on this form, for the benefit of the public.

Application for exemption must be made on this form, as prescribed by the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, pursuant to §12-107f(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes. The organization must complete this form and file it with the assessor of the town where the land is situated not later than 90 days after the assessment date of October 1st.

Failure to file in the proper manner and form shall be considered a waiver of the right to such exemption under §12-107f(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes as of the October 1<sup>st</sup> assessment date.

Please be advised that the assessor may require information in addition to that contained in this application in order to make a property tax exemption determination.