

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF INTERIM TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STANDARDS  
FOR THE GERMAN-JEFFERSON SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS;** LE SUEUR COUNTY, in accordance with M.S. 375.B.04 has established a Subordinate Service District;

**WHEREAS;** LE SUEUR COUNTY, will enact a Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) Ordinance which delineates the County's authority and responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of these requirements for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public. And that this ordinance further provides for the granting of variances from these requirements; and

**WHEREAS;** LE SUEUR COUNTY has recognized that some densely populated areas have physical limitations which preclude the continued long term utilization of on-site sewage systems to provide adequate sewage treatment and may not be suitable for the construction of a complying on-site SSTS under the current standards; and

**WHEREAS;** the shoreland areas of the German-Jefferson Lakes, lies within the townships of Elysian, Cordova, Cleveland, and Washington and have undergone redevelopment into high density residential homes; and

**WHEREAS;** the residents located within the shoreland areas of German-Jefferson Lakes have formed the German-Jefferson Subordinate Service District under the authority of M.S. 375.B.04 for the purpose of development and upgrade to individual SSTS, cluster SSTS, and/or collection and treatment of sewage at a municipal waste water treatment facility; and

**WHEREAS;** LE SUEUR COUNTY finds that it would be counter productive to require strict adherence to all the requirements of the SSTS Ordinance which will not adversely impact the health, safety and welfare of the public in the short term; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;** the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners directs the Environmental Services Staff to administer and enforce the SSTS Ordinance in accordance with the Interim Technical and Administrative SSTS Standards adopted by the Board and made part of this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** that this resolution shall be rescinded on or upon discovery of upgraded individual SSTS, cluster SSTS, and/or collection and treatment of sewage at a municipal waste water treatment facility.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2011.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRMAN, LE SUEUR COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Applying for the owner occupied homestead classification

## How to apply

To apply for the homestead classification for your residence, you must fill out this application. To qualify for the homestead classification, you must: (All three must apply.)

1. Be one of the owners of the property listed on this application.
2. Occupy the property listed on this application as your primary residence.
3. Be a Minnesota resident.

Your county assessor will determine if you are a Minnesota resident for homestead purposes. Some of the conditions that may be used to determine your residency status include:

- Are you registered to vote in Minnesota?
- Do you have a valid Minnesota driver's license?
- Do you file a Minnesota income tax return?
- Do you list property in Minnesota as your permanent mailing address?
- Do your children, if any, attend school in Minnesota?
- Are you a resident of any other state or country?

## Application deadline

The homestead application must be turned into the county assessor's office by December 15 to be eligible for the homestead classification for taxes payable in the following year.

## Required information

Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13 requires Social Security numbers and signatures of **all owners occupying the property and each owner's spouse that occupies the property** to be listed on this application.

Additionally, each owner's spouse who occupies the property also must be listed on the homestead application even if the owner's spouse is not listed as an owner on the deed of record.

If there is not enough space on the application for all required signatures and Social Security numbers, please use an extra sheet and include it with the application.

## How we use information

The Social Security numbers or affidavits or other proofs of property owners and spouses are private data. Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, authorizes the collection of Social Security numbers and signatures of all applicants, including spouses, on homestead applications.

The county assessor may share the information contained on this form with the county auditor, county treasurer, county attorney, Commissioner of Revenue, or other federal, state or local taxing authorities to verify your compliance with this and other tax programs.

You can refuse to provide the information on this form. However, failure to provide this information may result in a fractional homestead or denial of the homestead classification.

## Penalties

### Making false statements on this application is against the law.

Minnesota Statutes, section 609.41 states that anyone giving false information in order to avoid or reduce their tax obligations is subject to a fine of up to \$3,000 and/or up to one year in prison.

In addition, the property owner may be required to pay all tax which is due on the property based on its correct property class, plus a penalty equal to the same amount. (Minnesota Statutes, section 273.124, subdivision 13, paragraph h)

## Renewing your homestead classification

If this property is granted the homestead classification, it is not necessary for you to reapply for the classification.

However, at any time, the county assessor may require you to provide an additional application or other proof deemed necessary to verify that you continue to qualify for the homestead classification.

## If you sell, move or change your marital status

If this property is sold, you or your spouse changes your primary residence, or you change your marital status, state law requires you to notify the county assessor within 30 days.

If you fail to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change, the property may be assessed the tax that is due on the property based on its correct property class plus a penalty equal to the same amount.

Please return this application to:

Le Sueur County Assessor's Office, 88 Park Ave S., Le Center, MN 56057-1643

507-357-2251