



TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR

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ELDERLY TAX RELIEF BENEFITS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Circuit Breaker and Local Option Programs

Elderly residents who own property in Old Saybrook, (this property must be your primary residence) and who turned 65 years of age by December 31, 2008, may be eligible for tax relief benefits if they meet income standards. The income limit to qualify is \$30,500 for a single person and \$37,300 for a married couple. Your 2008 income tax return, social security 1099 statement for 2008 as well as railroad retirement payments must be submitted. If you did not file an income tax return for 2008 please furnish all other proof of income for 2008 such as wages, bonuses, commissions, taxable portion of annuities and pensions, proceeds from the sale of property, dividends, interest on tax-free bonds, etc.

If you qualify for the state program you most likely will qualify with the local option program. Applications can be made between February 1, 2009 and May 15, 2009 at the Assessor's Office from 9AM to 4PM, Monday through Friday. If you are unable to come to the office to apply please call the Assessor's Office at 860-395-3137, and alternate arrangements will be made.

Note: Under no circumstances does the state or the town put liens on property if you qualify for these programs.