



Veteran Property Tax Exemption Reminder:

An eligible veteran must have their Honorable Discharge on file with the Town Clerk's Office by **September 30th** in order to receive a Veteran's Exemption on next July's Tax bill.

If your DD-214 has already been filed with the Town Clerk, there is no need to refile it. Uncertain if you previously filed your DD-214 with the Town Clerk's office? Call 860-285-1902 to confirm if your DD-214 is on file.

(See details below regarding eligible periods of service - or provide the Assessor's Office with relevant documentation if your VA disability rating is in excess of 10%, regardless of length or period of service.)

PERIODS OF WARS AS PROVIDED IN §27-103 FOR DETERMINING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ELIGIBILITY FOR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS UNDER §12-81(19)

NOTE: Service of 90 or more cumulative (as opposed to consecutive) days is required ¹

Spanish-American War	April 21, 1898 to July 4, 1902
Spanish-American War – Moro Province	April 21, 1898 to July 15, 1903 ²
Mexican Border Period	March 10, 1916 to April 6, 1917
World War I	April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918
World War I - Russia	April 6, 1917 to April 1, 1920³
World War II	December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946⁴
Korean Conflict	June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955
Vietnam Era	February 28, 1961 to July 1, 1975
Lebanon	July 1, 1958 to November 1, 1958 or September 29, 1982 to March 30, 1984⁵
Invasion of Grenada	October 25, 1983 to December 15, 1983⁵
Operation Earnest Will	July 24, 1987 to August 1, 1990⁵
Invasion of Panama	December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990⁵
Persian Gulf War	After August 2, 1990⁶

¹ A veteran who recorded proof of honorable discharge in any Connecticut town on or before October 1, 1977 is eligible for the exemption under §12-81(19) even if the duration of service was less than 90 days. See also Footnote 5, below.

² The Spanish American War includes the Philippine Insurrection, the Boxer Rebellion and service in the Moro Province, for which the ending date is eleven days later than the ending date for the Spanish American War.

³ The ending date for service in Russia by a person serving with the United State military forces during World War I differs from the ending date for all service during that war in all other arenas.

⁴ Pursuant to §12-86, twelve o'clock midnight on December 31, 1947 is the World War II termination date for purposes of granting a property tax exemption.

⁵ A person must have served in a combat or combat support role for the duration of a period of war lasting less than 90 days (i.e., the Invasions of Grenada and Panama) in order to qualify for a property tax exemption. A person must also have served in a combat or combat support role in Lebanon during the specified dates, in order to qualify for an exemption. An Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal is awarded to such individuals. Prior to June 8, 2009, the dates for service in Operation Earnest Will were February 1, 1987 to July 23, 1987; a person who established exemption eligibility on or before September 30, 2008 due to serving during those dates for an exemption on or before October 1, 2008 must have received An Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

⁶ Although referred to as the Persian Gulf War, service in the Persian Gulf is not required, nor is service in a combat or combat support role.