

**OTHER EXEMPTIONS YOU
MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR**

Blind	Clause 37A
Circuit Breaker	File with state income taxes. Call 800-392-6089 x2
CPA	Community Preservation Act
Deferral	Clause 41A
Senior 65+	Clause 41C&41D
Veteran	Clause 22

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Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**FY26
SENIOR
WORK-OFF**

Statutory
Exemption

Taxpayer Information Guide



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WHAT IS THE SENIOR WORK-OFF PROGRAM?

The Senior Work-Off Program allows qualifying residents to reduce their tax liability in exchange for volunteer service to the municipality.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for the exemption, you must have reached the age of 60 as of July 1 of the tax year and, you must meet the following gross income requirements.

Marital Status	Gross 2024 Income Limit	Gross Limit with 2024 Social Security
Single	\$51,123	\$56,988
Married	\$76,687	\$85,482

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

The property of applicants must be owner-occupied.

EXEMPTION AMOUNTS

For fiscal year 2026, applicants may work a maximum of 100 hours (\$1,500 tax credit divided by minimum wage on July 1, 2025 of \$15.00). The property tax credit will be applied to the fiscal year real estate tax bill in which the service was performed.

RULES & REGULATIONS

- ◆ Placement referrals by the Council on Aging (COA) are made based on the applicant's skills, preferences, and the needs/availability of jobs.
- ◆ Applicants have the right to refuse placement or defer placement pending the possibility of other opportunities. However, there is no

guarantee that other positions will become available.

- ◆ Once a person is placed in a position, that person will report to the appropriate department head or designated supervisor. The department head/supervisor will assign all duties and evaluate job performance.
- ◆ The policy of the Town of Wellesley is to achieve equal opportunity in employment:
 - a. By the recruitment and consideration of applicants without regard to factors unrelated to ability to perform the requirements of the job such as race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, veteran's status, or sexual orientation.
 - b. By the employment of individuals who meet the physical and mental requirements, with reasonable accommodation, and who have the education, training and experience, established and necessary for the performance of the job, without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, veteran's status, sexual orientation, or other factors unrelated to ability to perform the requirements of the job.
- ◆ Hours are accumulated July 1st – March 1st each year. The number of hours worked is determined by the needs of the department. However, service may be terminated sooner at the discretion of the department head, provided that seven (7) days written notice is given to the participant.
- ◆ Participants are expected to perform his or her services in a timely, responsible, and satisfactory manner, as evaluated by the department head.

- ◆ Participants are not considered employees of the Town of Wellesley and are not eligible for benefits.
- ◆ Participants must arrange their own transportation. Council on Aging staff can provide information on local transportation options.
- ◆ Applicants must be CORI (Criminal Offense Record Inquiry) checked where applicable.
- ◆ New qualified applicants will have preference each year.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Applications must be filed annually with the Board of Assessors by April 1.

If you filed in a previous year, an application will be automatically mailed to you.

For new applications, contact us at 781-431-1019 x2272 or download the form on our website at www.wellesleyma.gov/taxrelief.

Applicants must include supporting documentation that will help the Board of Assessors make a determination of eligibility. These may include, a birth certificate, evidence of occupancy, income tax returns or statements and other materials.

Please note: filing an application does not mean you can postpone the payment of your tax.

**MGL, Chapter 59 § 5K*