



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

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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 1st 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.