

# Town of New Milford

## HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FRAUD REPORTING

Homestead fraud occurs when someone claims a Homestead Exemption **but**:

- Has a permanent, legal residence outside New Milford,
- Is not a Connecticut resident,
- Is renting a New Milford home receiving a homestead exemption,
- When the individual or spouse receives a residency based tax benefit in another Connecticut town or state.

When someone is receiving a homestead exemption fraudulently, honest property owners shoulder the burden of lost tax revenue by paying higher property taxes. It is not compliant with the New Milford Homestead Ordinance and state law.

If anyone you know is receiving a homestead exemption on a property that is not their permanent residence please use the online form below to report this activity.

**Address of property receiving an improper exemption:**

**Property Owner Name (if known)**

**Property is (Check all that apply)**

- ☐ Rented   ☐ Vacant   ☐ Vacation Home   ☐ Owner has an exemption on another home   ☐ Not a Connecticut Resident
- ☐ Motor vehicles registered in another state   ☐ Owner does not occupy home   ☐ Other

**Please explain in detail why you believe this property is receiving a homestead exemption improperly. If possible include information such as:**

- Name of person(s) occupying the property.
- The length of time since the owner has lived at the property.
- The address where you believe the owner may now be living.

**Mail or hand deliver to:**

Town of New Milford  
Assessor's Office  
10 Main St.  
New Milford, CT 06776

Phone: 860-355-6070

Fax: 860-355-3319