

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING YOUR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION
MARTIN COUNTY**

Compliments of:
PATCH REEF TITLE COMPANY, INC.
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Any Buyer (including permanent resident aliens) purchasing a home in Martin County as their primary place of residence may file for the \$25,000.00 homestead exemption. You may also qualify for the widow exemption, disabled exemption, etc.

You must have purchased your home and reside in it by the end of the calendar year in order to qualify for the exemption for the following year. However, you may file your application anytime after your closing, but **NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2006.**

The local office for filing is located at:

PROPERTY APPRAISERS OFFICE
100 East Ocean Boulevard
Stuart, Florida
(772) 288-5608
www.co.palm-beach.fl.us/propapp

All owners must bring a copy of the recorded Warranty Deed and evidence that this is your primary place of residence including Florida Driver's License, Voters Registration Card, and Car Registration, together with your Social Security number. Resident aliens must bring their Alien Resident Card. These requirements are subject to change without notice so please verify this information with the property appraisers office at the number listed above.

FLORIDA DRIVER'S LICENSE OFFICE
8917 S.E. Bridge Road
Hobe Sound, Florida 33455
(772) 546-7097
www.hsmv.state.fl.us/html/dlnew.html

CAR REGISTRATION OFFICE
Tax Collector's Office
P.O. Box 9013
Stuart, Florida 34995
(772) 288-5600
hsmv.state.fl.us/html

VOTERS REGISTRATION
P.O. Box 1257
Stuart, Florida 34995
(772) 288-5637
Or pick up forms at post office,
library or banks or apply on-line
<http://election.dos.state.fl.us>

Other helpful
web sites:

www.hsmv.state.fl.us/dhsmv/900.html (comprehensive site for
car registration, drivers license information, and voters registration)

If you do not receive your tax bill by November 2005, you should call the tax collector at (772) 288-5595 to request a duplicate bill. You will need your tax folio number which is usually located on the upper left hand side of the deed.