



Application for Forest or Fruit Tree Reservation Property Tax Exemption

Iowa Code Chapter 427C

This application must be filed or mailed to your city or county assessor by February 1 of the exemption year. It must be postmarked no later than February 1. Assessors' addresses can be found at the [Iowa State Association of Assessors Web site](#).

Applicant Contact Information	
<small>PLEASE PRINT</small>	
Name: _____	
Phone Number: _____	eMail: _____

Owner of Reservation: _____

Address of Owner: _____

Address of Reserve (include legal description): _____

Parcel Number _____ Cell phone / Day time phone number: _____

Forest Reserve

A forest must not occupy less than two acres with 200 trees on each acre.

_____ Number of acres that the reserve occupies (Attach an aerial photograph, if available.)

Are any buildings on the area selected as reserve? Yes No

Fruit Tree Reserve

Fruit trees must occupy at least one acre and not more than 10 acres with at least 40 apple or 70 other fruit trees per acre.

_____ Number of acres that the reserve occupies (Attach an aerial photograph, if available.)

_____ Year in which fruit trees were planted.

Are any buildings on the area selected as reserve? Yes No

Requirements

Application must be filed by February 1 of the exemption year. No further filing is required as long as the property is maintained as a reservation. Livestock is not permitted upon the reserve, and the reserve cannot be used for economic gain other than the gain from raising fruit or forest trees. Property which has been exempt as a Forest or Fruit Tree Reservation may be subject to a recapture tax if the property ceases to qualify within five years after the last year that the exemption was granted. The application can only be accepted if it meets the criteria established by the Natural Resource Commission.

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information provided on this claim is true, correct and complete and meets the criteria established by the Iowa Code chapter 427C.

Signature of Owner

Date

The property has been inspected and it has been determined that it meets the criteria set forth in Iowa Code chapter 427C and is eligible to receive this exemption.

County Conservation Board or Assessor

Date

FOREST & FRUIT TREE RESERVE

It is not necessary for the property owner to be present when the property is inspected by Mike Stegmann, Director Marshall County Conservation. Properties will be inspected sometime in February or early March of each year from 8-4:30 on weekdays. If the owner wishes to be present at the time of inspection, please fill in line 6.

1. Owners home phone number: _____
2. Owners work phone number: _____
3. Best time & place to call: _____

4. Property address: _____

5. Home address (if different): _____

6. Does the owner wish to be present at the time of inspection? _____
7. Other comments:

Please include an aerial photo with the area clearly marked that you wish to put into Forest or Fruit Tree Reserve. Aerial photos are available at the Courthouse.