

# 2015

## New Jersey Property Tax Reimbursement ("Senior Freeze") Application (Form PTR-1)

# Filing Deadline Extended to ➔ October 17, 2016 ←

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**NOTE:** The amount appropriated for property tax relief programs in the Fiscal Year 2017 State Budget affected reimbursement payments for 2015. Applicants filing Form PTR-1 will be eligible for reimbursement payments for 2015 if their income did not exceed \$85,553 for 2014 and \$70,000 for 2015 (the original limit was \$87,007), provided they met all the other program requirements. (See "Qualifications" on page 1 of the Form PTR-1 instruction booklet.)

Residents whose 2015 income was over \$70,000 but not over \$87,007 will not receive reimbursements for 2015, even if they met all the other program requirements. The Division of Taxation will notify those applicants that they are not eligible to receive reimbursement payments for 2015. Those residents can establish their eligibility for benefits in future years by filing an application by the due date. This also ensures that the Division will mail them applications for 2016.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

Visit the Division of Taxation Website:

Call the Property Tax Reimbursement Hotline:

[www.njtaxation.org](http://www.njtaxation.org)

1-800-882-6597

# IMPORTANT!

**2014 Reimbursement Recipients.** If you applied for and received a 2014 property tax reimbursement, you should have received a personalized application (Form PTR-2) preprinted with information you provided last year. If you qualify for a 2015 property tax reimbursement, use the personalized application. If you have not received your personalized application, please call 1-800-882-6597.

## Introduction

The Property Tax Reimbursement (“Senior Freeze”) Program reimburses senior citizens and disabled persons for property tax increases. For applicants who met **all** the eligibility requirements for 2014, and again for 2015, the amount of the 2015 reimbursement will be the difference between the amount of property taxes that were due and paid by the applicant for 2014 and the amount of property taxes that were due and paid for 2015, provided, of course, that the amount paid for 2015 was greater than the amount paid for 2014. For mobile home owners, property tax means 18% of the annual site fees paid to the owner of a mobile home park.

Homeowners and mobile home owners who are receiving homestead benefits and/or property tax credits or deductions may also receive the property tax reimbursement if they meet the eligibility requirements. However, the total of all property tax relief benefits that you receive for 2015 (property tax reimbursement, homestead benefit, property tax deduction for senior citizens/disabled persons, and property tax deduction for veterans) cannot exceed the amount of 2015 property taxes (or rent/site fees constituting property taxes) paid for your residence.

## Impact of State Budget

**Eligibility requirements, including income limits, and benefits available under the Senior Freeze Program are subject to change by the State Budget.**

Any changes to the eligibility requirements and benefit amounts for 2015 property tax reimbursements will not be finalized until the completion of the State Budget that must be adopted by July 1, 2016. This means that the requirements for a 2015 reimbursement, including the income limits, that

are listed under “Eligibility Requirements” in these instructions may be changed by the State Budget.

For 2014 the amount appropriated for property tax relief programs in the State Budget affected reimbursement payments. Only applicants filing Form PTR-1 whose 2013 income did not exceed \$84,289 and whose 2014 income did not exceed \$70,000 (the original limit was \$85,553) were eligible to receive reimbursement payments for 2014, provided they met all the other requirements.

For updated information on changes to the Senior Freeze Program for 2015, check the Division of Taxation’s website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml) or call 1-800-323-4400.

## Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for the 2015 reimbursement, an applicant must meet all of the following requirements. (Also see “Impact of State Budget” above.)

- You must have been age 65 or older as of December 31, 2014, OR actually receiving Federal Social Security disability benefit payments on or before December 31, 2014, and on or before December 31, 2015. You do NOT qualify if the Federal Social Security disability benefits you (or your spouse/civil union partner) were receiving were received on behalf of someone else; **and**
- You must have lived in New Jersey continuously since December 31, 2004, or earlier as either a homeowner or a renter; **and**
- You must have owned and lived in your home (or have leased a site in a mobile home park on which you have placed a manufactured or mobile home that you own) since December 31, 2011, or earlier (and you still owned and lived in that home on December 31, 2015); **and**

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- You must have paid the **full amount** of the property taxes due on your home:  
For 2014: By June 1, 2015, **and**  
For 2015: By June 1, 2016; **and**
- Your total annual income must have been:  
For 2014: \$85,553 or less, **and**  
For 2015: \$87,007 or less

These limits apply regardless of your marital/civil union status. However, if your status at Line 1 and/or Line 2, Form PTR-1, was married/CU couple, and you lived in the same household, you must combine your incomes for that year.

You may not apply for a reimbursement for a:

- Vacation home or “second home”; **or**
- Property that you rent to someone else; **or**
- Property that consists of more than four units; **or**
- Property with four units or less that contains more than one commercial unit.

You also may not apply if you:

- Received a 100% exemption from paying property taxes as a totally and permanently disabled veteran.
- Made P.I.L.O.T. (Payments-in-Lieu-of-Tax) payments to your municipality. These payments are not considered property taxes.

**If you moved to your current home between January 1, 2012, and December 31, 2013, AND** you filed for and received a reimbursement for property taxes (or mobile home park site fees) paid for the last full tax year that you occupied your previous home, you may be eligible to file a reimbursement application for 2015 if you meet all the other eligibility requirements. Go to [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr2year.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr2year.shtml) to see if you qualify, then call the Property Tax Reimbursement Hotline at 1-800-882-6597 for assistance.

### **Reminder**

The Homestead Benefit and Property Tax Reimbursement (“Senior Freeze”) Programs are separate programs, and separate applications must be filed every year for each program.

## **Income Standards**

With very few exceptions, **ALL INCOME** that you received during the year, including income which you are not required to report on your New Jersey income tax return, must be taken into account to determine eligibility for the property tax reimbursement. Income limits for eligibility are subject to adjustment annually.

If you have a loss in one category of income, it may be applied against income in the same category. However, if you have a net loss in one category of income, it **cannot** be applied against income or gains in another. In the case of a net loss in any category, leave that line blank.

Examples of possible sources of income (gross amounts unless otherwise noted) are as follows:

- Social Security Benefits (including Medicare Part B premiums) paid to or on behalf of the applicant
- Pension and Retirement Benefits (including annuity or IRA distributions and benefit payments from foreign countries)
- Salaries, Wages, Bonuses, Commissions, and Fees
- Unemployment Benefits
- Disability Benefits, whether public or private (including veterans’ and black lung benefits)
- Interest (taxable and exempt)
- Dividends
- Capital Gains
- Net Rental Income
- Net Profits From Business
- Net Distributive Share of Partnership Income
- Net Pro Rata Share of S Corporation Income
- Support Payments
- Inheritances
- Royalties
- Fair Market Value of Prizes and Awards
- Gambling and Lottery Winnings (including New Jersey Lottery)
- Bequests and Death Benefits
- All Other Income

Sources of income which should **NOT** be taken into account to determine eligibility:

- Reparation or restitution payments to victims of National Socialist (Nazi) persecution; returns of property (tangible or intangible) seized, lost, or misappropriated as a result of Nazi actions or policies and any cash values in replacement of such property; payments of insurance policies purchased by victims of Nazi persecution; and any accumulated or accrued interest on such
- Benefit amounts received under the New Jersey State Lifeline Credit Program/Tenants Lifeline Assistance Program
- Benefits received as either New Jersey homestead, FAIR, or SAVER rebates
- Benefits received as property tax reimbursements
- Capital gains on the sale of a principal residence of up to \$250,000 if single, and up to \$500,000 if married/CU couple. Capital gains in excess of the allowable exclusion must be included in income. (Capital gains and the exclusion of all or part of the gain on the sale of a principal residence are computed in the same manner for both Federal and State income tax purposes.)
- Stipends from the Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA), Foster Grandparents, and Workforce 55+ programs; and programs under Title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965
- Proceeds received from a spouse's/civil union partner's life insurance policy
- Proceeds received by the beneficiary of a Special Needs Trust
- Proceeds received from viatical settlements
- Agent Orange Payments
- Reparation payments to Japanese Americans by the Federal Government pursuant to sections 105 and 106 of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, P.L. 100-383 (50 U.S.C. App. 1989b-4 and 1989b-5)
- Rewards involving health care fraud or abuse which apply to N.J.A.C. 10:49-13.4
- Rollovers from one financial instrument (pension, annuity, IRA, insurance contract or other retirement benefit) to another financial instrument
- Tax-free exchanges of a policy or contract handled between two insurance companies

- Insurance policyholder's original contributions if demutualization of the policy occurs
- Income tax refunds (New Jersey, Federal, and other jurisdictions)

## Filing Requirements

### Due Date June 1, 2016

Eligible applicants must file the 2015 Property Tax Reimbursement Application (Form PTR-1) on or before June 1, 2016. Applications postmarked on or before the due date are considered to be filed on time. Applications postmarked after the due date are considered to be filed late.

### Proof of Age/Disability

Applicants age 65 or older must submit proof of age with their applications. Examples of acceptable documentation include copies of the following:

- Birth certificate
- Driver's license
- Church records

Applicants who are not age 65 or older, but are receiving Federal Social Security disability benefit payments, must submit a copy of the Social Security Award Letter indicating that the applicant was receiving benefit payments. An applicant does not qualify if receiving benefits on behalf of someone else.

### Proof of Payment

Applicants are required to submit with their applications proof of the amount of property taxes that were due **and** paid. The Division of Taxation will accept copies of the following:

#### HOMEOWNERS

1. **Property tax bills** for both 2014 and 2015, **along with**
2. **Proof of the amount of property taxes paid** which may be either:
  - a. Copies of cancelled checks or receipts for both 2014 and 2015 showing the amount of property taxes paid; or
  - b. Copies of Form 1098 for both 2014 and 2015 which you received from your mortgage company showing the amount of property taxes which were paid out of your escrow account.

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**Verification Form.** We realize that you may not be able to locate your 2014 and 2015 property tax bills or proof of the amount of taxes paid. For your convenience, we have included a form in this booklet (Form PTR-1A) which you may submit as proof. Form PTR-1A is also available on the Division of Taxation's website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/printform.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/printform.shtml).

**NOTE: If you choose to use Form PTR-1A, you must have your local tax collector complete and certify Part II as to the amount of property taxes due and paid for both 2014 and 2015. Be sure to enclose the completed verification form with Form PTR-1.**

**Co-ops and continuing care retirement facilities.** Residents of cooperative dwelling units and continuing care retirement facilities must obtain a statement from their management indicating their share of property taxes paid for the residential unit they occupy and submit the statement with Form PTR-1.

**Multiple owners (if property is owned by more than one person, other than husband and wife or civil union partners).** If title to the property is held by the eligible applicant with others as tenants in common or joint tenants (except in the case of a husband and wife or civil union partners), the applicant is only eligible for the proportionate share of the reimbursement which reflects his or her percentage of ownership. This is true even if the other owner(s) did not live there. The shares of ownership of the property are considered to be held equally by all owners. If the shares of ownership are not equal, the applicant must provide documentation as to the percentage of ownership.

**Multiple units (if property consists of more than one unit).** If the property consists of more than one unit, the applicant is only eligible for the proportionate share of the reimbursement which reflects the percentage of the property used as his or her principal residence.

### MOBILE HOME OWNERS

**1. A copy of the contract(s) or agreement(s)** for both 2014 and 2015 from the mobile home park showing the amount of your site fees, **along with**

**2. Proof of the amount of site fees paid** which may be either:

- a. Copies of cancelled checks or receipts for both 2014 and 2015 showing the amount of site fees paid; or
- b. A signed statement from the mobile home park management showing the amount of site fees paid for both 2014 and 2015.

**Verification Form.** In place of 1 and 2 above, mobile home owners may provide a completed Form PTR-1B, which is included in this booklet. Form PTR-1B is also available on the Division of Taxation's website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/printform.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/printform.shtml).

**NOTE: If you choose to use Form PTR-1B, you must have the owner or manager of the mobile home park complete and certify Part II as to the amount of mobile home park site fees due and paid for both 2014 and 2015. Be sure to enclose the completed verification form with Form PTR-1.**

## Deceased Residents

If a person met all the eligibility requirements for 2014 and 2015, but died after 12:01 a.m. on December 31, 2015, and before filing an application, Form PTR-1 should be filed by the surviving spouse/civil union partner or personal representative (executor or administrator of an estate or anyone who is in charge of the decedent's personal property).

### Marital/Civil Union Status

Indicate on Line 1 the marital status of the applicant(s) on December 31, 2014, and indicate on Line 2 the marital/civil union status of the applicant(s) on December 31, 2015. (See "Marital/Civil Union Status" on page 6.)

### Name and Address

- **Married/CU Couple (joint application):** Write the name and address of the decedent and the surviving spouse/civil union partner in the name and address fields. Print "Deceased" and the date of death above the decedent's name.

- *Single*: Write the decedent's name in the name field and the personal representative's name and address in the remaining fields. Print "Deceased" and the date of death above the decedent's name.

### Signatures

- *Personal representative*: If a personal representative has been appointed, that person must sign the application in his or her official capacity. The surviving spouse/civil union partner must also sign if it is a joint application.
- *No personal representative – joint application*: If no personal representative has been appointed, the surviving spouse/civil union partner signs the application and writes "Filing as Surviving Spouse" or "Filing as Surviving Civil Union Partner" in the signature section.
- *No personal representative – single application*: If no personal representative has been appointed and there is no surviving spouse/civil union partner, the person in charge of the decedent's property must sign the application as "personal representative."

When a spouse/civil union partner dies prior to December 31, the surviving spouse/civil union partner must meet all the eligibility requirements for 2015 himself/herself to receive the reimbursement. The marital/civil union status of the survivor who does not remarry or enter into a new civil union during that year is "Single."

**Check the box above the signature line and enclose a copy of the decedent's death certificate in order to have the reimbursement check issued to the surviving spouse/civil union partner or estate.**

### Reimbursement Checks

For qualified applicants who apply before May 1, 2016, reimbursement checks will be sent on or before July 15, 2016. Qualified applicants who apply between May 1 and June 1, 2016, will be sent reimbursement checks on or before September 1, 2016.

**NOTE: Eligibility requirements, including income limits, and benefits available under this program are subject to change by the State Budget. Check the Division of Taxation's website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml) or call 1-800-323-4400 for updated information. (See "Impact of State Budget" on page 1.)**

Under New Jersey law, if you receive a property tax reimbursement that is larger than the amount for which you are eligible, you will be required to repay any excess you received. The amount you owe can be deducted from your property tax reimbursement, income tax refund or credit, or home-  
stead benefit before a payment is issued.

### Privacy Act Notification

The Federal Privacy Act of 1974 requires an agency requesting information from individuals to inform them why the request is being made and how the information is being used.

Your social security number is used primarily to account for and give credit for tax payments. The Division of Taxation also uses social security numbers in the administration and enforcement of all tax laws for which it is responsible. In addition, the Division of Taxation is required by law to forward an annual list to the Administrative Office of the Courts containing the names, addresses, and social security numbers of individuals who file a New Jersey tax return or property tax benefit application. This list will be used to avoid duplication of names on jury lists.

### Completing the Application Name and Address

Place the peel-off label in the name and address section at the top of the application. You will find your preprinted name and address label inside the insert at the front of this booklet. **Do not use the mailing label if any of the information is inaccurate.** If the information on the preprinted label is incorrect or if you did not receive a preprinted label, print or type your name (last name first), complete address, and zip code in the spaces provided. Be sure to include your spouse's/civil union partner's name if your marital/civil union status as

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of December 31, 2015, was married/CU couple. Your reimbursement check and next year's application will be sent to the address you provide.

### Social Security Number

If your marital/civil union status as of December 31, 2015, was single, you must enter your social security number in the space provided on the application, one digit in each box (□). Your social security number is not printed on your name and address label. If your status as of December 31, 2015, was married/CU couple, you must report both applicants' numbers in the order in which the names are listed on the application. If you were married or in a civil union but living apart from your spouse/civil union partner, and you did not have access to or receive support from their income, you are considered "Single" for purposes of the property tax reimbursement, and you should enter only your social security number on the application.

If you (or your spouse/civil union partner) do not have a social security number, file Form SS-5 with the Social Security Administration to apply for a social security number. If you are not eligible for a social security number, you must file Form W-7 with the Internal Revenue Service to obtain an individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). If you applied for but have not received an ITIN by the due date, enclose a copy of your Federal Form W-7 application with Form PTR-1.

### County/Municipality Code

Enter your four-digit county/municipality code, one digit in each box (□), from the table on page 14. This code identifies the county and municipality of your current residence. The county and municipality codes in these instructions are for Division of Taxation purposes only.

**NOTE:** If the local name of the place where you live is not listed, enter the code for the municipality where the property taxes were paid on your home. (Go to [www.state.nj.us/infobank/locality.htm](http://www.state.nj.us/infobank/locality.htm) for a listing of local names in the State and the county and municipality in which they are located.)

### Marital/Civil Union Status (Lines 1 and 2)

**Line 1.** Indicate your marital/civil union status on December 31, 2014. Fill in only one oval (●). If you were married or in a civil union but living apart from your spouse/civil union partner, and you did not have access to or receive support from their income, you are considered "Single" for purposes of the property tax reimbursement.

**Line 2.** Indicate your marital/civil union status on December 31, 2015. Fill in only one oval (●). If you were married or in a civil union but living apart from your spouse/civil union partner, and you did not have access to or receive support from their income, you are considered "Single" for purposes of the property tax reimbursement.

### Age/Disability Status (Lines 3 and 4)

Fill in the oval (●) to indicate your status as follows:

**Line 3a.** Indicate whether you were 65 or older on December 31, 2014. Fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Yourself." If your marital/civil union status was married/CU couple, fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Spouse/CU Partner."

**Line 3b.** Indicate whether you were actually receiving Federal Social Security disability benefit payments on or before December 31, 2014. Fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Yourself." If your marital/civil union status was married/CU couple, fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Spouse/CU Partner."

**Line 4a.** Indicate whether you were 65 or older on December 31, 2015. Fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Yourself." If your marital/civil union status was married/CU couple, fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Spouse/CU Partner."

**Line 4b.** Indicate whether you were actually receiving Federal Social Security disability benefit payments on or before December 31, 2015. Fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Yourself." If your marital/civil union status was married/CU couple, fill in the appropriate oval to the right of "Spouse/CU Partner."

Applicant(s) must meet the age or disability requirements for **both 2014 and 2015** to be eligible for the reimbursement. File the application **only** if you or your spouse/civil union partner met the requirements.

**Residency Requirements (Lines 5 and 6)**

**Line 5.** Fill in the “Yes” oval (●) if you lived in New Jersey continuously since December 31, 2004, or earlier as either a homeowner or a renter. If “No,” **you are not eligible for a property tax**

**reimbursement, and you should not file this application.**

**Line 6.** Fill in the “Yes” oval (●) if you owned and lived in the same home for which you are claiming the reimbursement (or leased a site in a mobile home park in New Jersey on which you placed a manufactured or mobile home that you own) continuously since December 31, 2011, or earlier. If “No,” **you are not eligible for a property tax reimbursement, and you should not file this application.**

**Important**

**You must satisfy all the requirements at Lines 3, 4, 5, and 6 for BOTH 2014 AND 2015 to be eligible for the reimbursement. File the application only if you met the requirements.**

**Determining Total Income (Lines 7 and 8)**

**2014 Total Income\***

**2015 Total Income\***

<b>If your total 2014 income was...</b>	<b>Then...</b>	<b>If your total 2015 income was...</b>	<b>Then...</b>
\$85,553 or less	You meet the income eligibility requirement for 2014. Continue completing the application.	\$87,007 or less	You meet the income eligibility requirement for 2015. Continue completing the application.
Over \$85,553	<b>You are not eligible</b> for the reimbursement and should not file this application.	Over \$87,007	<b>You are not eligible</b> for the reimbursement and should not file this application.

\* **These income limits apply regardless of your marital/civil union status.** If your status at Line 1 and/or Line 2, Form PTR-1, was married/CU couple, you must report the combined income of both spouses/CU partners for that year.

**Determining Total Income (Lines 7 and 8)**

Review “Income Categories” on page 8 before entering your income amounts for 2014 and 2015 on Lines a through q. For a list of sources of income that you are not required to take into account to determine income eligibility, see page 3.

**Line 7**

**Total 2014 Income.** List all the income you received in 2014. Add the amounts on Lines a through q and enter the result on Line 7. If you were married or in a civil union as of December 31, 2014, and living in the same household,

you must combine your income with your spouse’s/civil union partner’s income. If your spouse/civil union partner died during 2014 and your status on December 31, 2014, was “Single,” list only the income you yourself received (do not include your deceased spouse’s/civil union partner’s income). Joint income must be apportioned to reflect the amount you received.

**2014 Income Eligibility.** If your total 2014 income on Line 7 was \$85,553 or less, you meet the income eligibility requirement for 2014 (see chart above). Continue to Line 8 and check your income eligibility for 2015.



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If the amount on Line 7 is over \$85,553, STOP. **You are not eligible for the reimbursement, and you should not file this application.**

### Line 8

**Total 2015 Income.** List all the income you received in 2015. Add the amounts on Lines a through q and enter the result on Line 8. If you were married or in a civil union as of December 31, 2015, and living in the same household, you must combine your income with your spouse's/civil union partner's income. If your spouse/civil union partner died during 2015 and your status on December 31, 2015, was "Single," list only the income you yourself received (do not include your deceased spouse's/civil union partner's income). Joint income must be apportioned to reflect the amount you received.

**2015 Income Eligibility.** If your total 2015 income on Line 8 was \$87,007 or less, you meet the income eligibility requirement for 2015. (See chart on page 7.) Continue completing the application with Line 9.

If the amount on Line 8 is over \$87,007, STOP. **You are not eligible for the reimbursement, and you should not file this application.**

### Income Categories

With very few exceptions, **ALL INCOME** that you received during the year, including income which you are not required to report on your New Jersey income tax return, must be taken into account to determine eligibility for the property tax reimbursement. In most cases, you must report on your application the total (gross) amount of income you received, whether taxable or nontaxable.

If you have a loss in one category of income, it may be applied against income in the same category. However, if you have a net loss in one category of income, it **cannot** be applied against income or gains in another category. In the case of a net loss in any category, leave that line blank.

Enter the dollars and cents in the fields as shown:

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a. Social Security Benefits. . . . .	14,920	46

### Line A

Enter the total amount of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits (including Medicare Part B premiums) from Box 5 of Form SSA-1099 or Form RRB-1099.

### Line B

Enter the total amount (after adjustments) of pension and annuity payments, including IRA withdrawals, that you reported on Line 19a, Pensions, Annuities, and IRA Withdrawals, of your New Jersey resident income tax return, Form NJ-1040. If you are required to file Form NJ-1040, you must complete Line 19a before you complete your PTR-1 application.

If you are not required to file a 2015 Form NJ-1040, you must calculate the amount you would have reported on Line 19a if you did file the return. For your convenience, a copy of the instructions for completing Line 19a of Form NJ-1040 has been included in this booklet as Appendix A. You can use those instructions to calculate the Line 19a amount for both 2014 and 2015.

**Adjustments.** For property tax reimbursement purposes, you **must** make adjustments to the Line 19a amount as follows:

1. Add any amounts received as U.S. military pension or survivor's benefit payments.
2. Add any amounts received **before age 65** as a total and permanent disability pension.
3. If you received a distribution from a Roth IRA, add the portion of the distribution that you would have reported if it were a traditional IRA. (See Appendix A.)

Do not include income from: a direct rollover to another financial instrument, a tax-free exchange of a policy or contract between two insurance companies, or a conversion from an existing traditional IRA to a Roth IRA.

### Line C

Enter the total amount of wages, salaries, tips, and other compensation you received from all employment both inside and outside New Jersey as shown in Box 1 of Form W-2. Also include the total amount you received from fees, commissions, bonuses, and any other payments received for services performed both inside and outside New Jersey

which are not already listed. Include all payments you received whether in cash, benefits, or property.

**Line D**

Enter the total amount of unemployment benefits you received as shown in Box 1 of Form 1099-G.

If you received family leave insurance benefits, enter the total amount shown in Box 1 of the Form 1099-G you received for those payments.

**Line E**

Enter the total amount of disability benefits you received, including veterans' and black lung benefits.

**Line F**

Enter the total amount of interest you received from sources both inside and outside of New Jersey. All interest, whether taxable or tax-exempt, must be included. If you incurred a penalty by making a withdrawal from a certificate of deposit or other time-deposit account early, you may subtract this penalty from your total interest.

**Line G**

Enter the total amount of dividends you received from investments (e.g., from stocks, mutual funds) or other income-producing activities which do not constitute a trade or business. The total amount of dividends received, regardless of where earned, must be reported.

**Line H**

Enter the total amount of capital gains you received from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of property. This includes all gains or income derived from the sale of real property (e.g., house, condominium unit, parcel of land) and personal property whether tangible (e.g., car, jewelry, furniture) or intangible (e.g., stocks, bonds, mutual funds). All gains, whether taxable or nontaxable, must be reported.

Capital gains on the sale of a principal residence of up to \$250,000 for a single person or up to \$500,000 for a married/civil union couple that are also excluded from income taxation for Federal and New Jersey purposes may be excluded. Capital gains in excess of the allowable exclusion must be reported.

**Line I**

Enter the net amount (after expenses) of rental income you received.

**Line J**

Enter the net amount of income (profits) from your business, trade, or profession whether carried on inside or outside of New Jersey.

**Line K**

Enter the net amount of your distributive share of partnership income, regardless of whether or not the income was actually distributed.

**Line L**

Enter the amount of your net pro rata share of S corporation income, regardless of whether or not the income was actually distributed.

**Line M**

Enter the total amount of alimony and separate maintenance payments you received which were required under a decree of divorce/dissolution or separate maintenance. Do not include payments received for child support.

**Line N**

Enter the total amount you received as an inheritance (whether received in the form of cash or property) except for transfers of property or assets from a deceased spouse/civil union partner to a surviving spouse/civil union partner. You must also report any income you received as a beneficiary of an estate or trust.

Also include on this line the total value of any property or assets you received as a gift or bequest and amounts paid as death benefits. In addition, you must report life insurance proceeds payable by reason of death, except for payments to the spouse/civil union partner of the deceased.

**Line O**

Enter the total amount of income you received from royalties.

**Line P**

Enter the total amount of gambling and lottery winnings you received, including all New Jersey Lottery winnings.

**Line Q**

Enter the total amount of any other income you received for which a place has not been provided elsewhere on the application. Income from sources both legal and illegal must be included.

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### Principal Residence (Lines 9 – 12)

#### Line 9 - Status

Fill in the oval (●) to indicate whether you are claiming the reimbursement as a “Homeowner” or “Mobile Home Owner.” Fill in only one oval.

#### Line 10 - Block and Lot Numbers

Homeowners, enter the Block and Lot Numbers of the residence for which the reimbursement is being claimed. (If a condominium, also include qualifier.) You may obtain this information from your current property tax bill or from your local tax assessor.

Enter the Block and Lot Numbers in the boxes as shown in the following example:

**Example:** Block 3105.62 Lot 14.3

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**Mobile Home Owners will not have a block or lot number.**

#### Line 11a - Multiple Owners

**Homeowners.** Check “Yes” only if you owned the property that was your principal residence with someone else (other than your spouse/civil union partner) — even if the other owner(s) did not live there. For example, you and your sister owned the home you lived in. If you (and your spouse/civil union partner) were the sole owner(s), check “No.”

**Mobile Home Owners.** If you occupied your mobile home with someone other than your spouse/civil union partner and shared site fees with them, check “Yes.” If you (and your spouse/civil union partner) were the sole occupant(s), check “No.”

#### Line 11b - Percentage of Ownership

**Homeowners.** If you answered “Yes” at Line 11a, enter the share (percentage) of the property you (and your spouse/civil union partner) owned.

**Example:** You and your spouse owned a home with your sister. Your sister did not live with you, and you and your spouse paid all the property taxes. You must enter 50% on Line 11b of your application because you and your spouse owned only one-half (50%) of the property. If your sister is

also eligible, she must file a separate property tax reimbursement application.

**Mobile Home Owners.** If you answered “Yes” at Line 11a, enter the share (percentage) of site fees that you (and your spouse/civil union partner) paid.

#### Line 12a - Multiunit Properties

Check “Yes” if your principal residence was a unit in a multiunit property that you owned. For example, you owned a property consisting of four residential units and you occupied one of the units as your principal residence. If the property is not a multiunit property, check “No.”

“Unit of residential property” means a single, separate dwelling unit that must include complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons. This unit must contain permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation along with separate kitchen and bathroom facilities.

**NOTE: Residents of condominium complexes, co-ops, and continuing care retirement facilities are *not* considered to be living in multiunit properties and should check “No.”**

#### Line 12b - Percentage of Occupancy

If you answered “Yes” at Line 12a, enter the share (percentage) of the property that you (and your spouse/civil union partner) used as your principal residence.

**Example:** You owned a four-unit property. The units are equal in size, and one of the units was your principal residence. You occupied one-fourth (25%) of the property as your principal residence. Enter 25% at Line 12b.

#### NOTE:

- **If the property you owned consists of more than four units, you do not qualify for the reimbursement, even if one of the units was your principal residence.**
- **If the property you owned contains more than one commercial unit, you do not qualify for the reimbursement, even if it also includes a residential unit you used as your principal residence.**

**Form PTR-1A**

**Homeowners**

**Verification of 2014 and 2015 Property Taxes**  
 (Use blue or black ink. See instructions for completion on back.)

**Part I — To Be Completed by Applicant (Part II to be completed by tax collector)**

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's/CU Partner's Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name, First Name, and Initial (Joint filers enter first name and initial of each - Enter spouse's/CU partner's last name ONLY if different)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Block \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_ Qualifier \_\_\_\_\_

- |   | 2014   | 2015   |
|---|--|--|
| A. Did you own this property with someone who was not your spouse/CU partner?                       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B. If yes, indicate the share (percentage) of property that you (and your spouse/CU partner) owned. | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %              | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %              |
| C. Did this property consist of multiple units?   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| D. If yes, indicate the share (percentage) of property used as your principal residence.            | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %              | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %              |

**Part II — To Be Completed by Tax Collector**

**2014 Property Taxes**

- Check box if property had a tax appeal for 2014.....
- Check box if property had an added assessment for 2014...
- Assessed Value.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Tax Rate (including fire and other special tax rates)..... %
  - Total Property Taxes (Multiply Line 1 by Line 2).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - REAP Credit (if any)..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Enter amount from Line 3. If applicant answered "Yes" to Questions A and/or C above, you must apportion the amount on Line 3 when completing this line. (See instructions on back.)..... \$

**2015 Property Taxes**

- Check box if property had a tax appeal for 2015.....
- Check box if property had an added assessment for 2015...
- Assessed Value.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Tax Rate (including fire and other special tax rates)..... %
  - Total Property Taxes (Multiply Line 1 by Line 2).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - REAP Credit (if any)..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Enter amount from Line 3. If applicant answered "Yes" to Questions A and/or C above, you must apportion the amount on Line 3 when completing this line. (See instructions on back.)..... \$

**Homeowners, enter this amount on Line 14 of your Form PTR-1** ← ↑

**Homeowners, enter this amount on Line 13 of your Form PTR-1** ← ↑

Under the penalties of perjury, I certify that I am the local tax collector of \_\_\_\_\_, where the above property is located. I further certify that the above-stated amounts of property taxes due were paid for calendar years 2014 and 2015 and are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have placed my stamp below for verification.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Title)

**(If you complete this form, be sure to enclose it with your Form PTR-1 application.)**

# Form PTR-1A – Instructions

## Part I – To Be Completed by Applicant

**Social Security Number.** If your marital/civil union status as of December 31, 2015, was single, enter only your social security number in the space provided on Form PTR-1A. If your status as of December 31, 2015, was married/CU couple, you must report both applicants' numbers in the order in which the names are listed on the application. If you were married or in a civil union but living apart from your spouse/civil union partner, and you did not have access to or receive support from their income, you are considered "Single" for purposes of the property tax reimbursement. You should enter only your social security number on Form PTR-1A.

**Name and Address.** Print or type your name (last name first) and complete address of the property for which you are claiming the reimbursement in the spaces provided. Also include your spouse's/civil union partner's name if filing jointly.

**Block/Lot/Qualifier.** Enter the block and lot numbers of the principal residence for which you are claiming the reimbursement in the spaces provided. Include qualifier if applicable. (Only condominiums may have qualifiers assigned to them.)

**A. Multiple Owners.** Check "Yes" if you owned the property that was your principal residence with someone else (other than your spouse/civil union partner) — even if the other owner(s) did not live there. For example, you and your sister owned the home you lived in. If you (and your spouse/civil union partner) were the sole owner(s), check "No."

**B. Percentage of Ownership.** If you answered "Yes" at Line A, enter the share (percentage) of the property that you (and your spouse/civil union partner) owned. For example, you and your spouse owned a home with your sister. Your sister did not live with you, and you and your spouse paid all the property taxes. You must enter 50% as your share of ownership because you and your spouse owned only one-half (50%) of the property. The shares of ownership of the property are considered to be held equally by all owners. If the shares of ownership are not equal, you must provide documentation as to the percentage of ownership.

**C. Multiunit Properties.** Check "Yes" if your principal residence was a unit in a multiunit property that you owned. For example, you owned a property consisting of four residential units and you occupied one of the units as your principal residence. If the property is not a multiunit property, check "No."

**NOTE:** Residents of condominium complexes, co-ops, and continuing care retirement facilities are not considered to be living in multiunit properties and should check "No."

**D. Percentage of Occupancy.** If you answered "Yes" at Line C, enter the share (percentage) of the property used as your principal residence. For example, you

owned a four-unit property. The units are equal in size, and one of the units was your principal residence. You occupied one-fourth (25%) of the property as your principal residence. Enter 25% as your share of occupancy.

## Part II – To Be Completed by Tax Collector

Enter the appropriate amounts for calendar years 2014 and 2015 as follows:

**Line 1.** Enter the assessed value of the property for each calendar year. If the assessed value changed for the tax year, use the final assessed value.

**Line 2.** Enter the tax rate for each calendar year. Include fire and other special tax rates.

**Line 3.** Multiply the assessed value on Line 1 by the tax rate on Line 2 and enter the result on Line 3. This is the total amount of taxes due for each calendar year before any deductions and/or credits are subtracted (e.g., senior citizen's deduction, homestead benefit credit).

**Line 4.** Enter the amount of any Regional Efficiency Aid Program (REAP) credit the homeowner(s) received for each calendar year.

**Line 5.** If the applicant answered "No" to the questions at both Line A and Line C, enter the amount of property taxes from Line 3.

If the applicant answered "Yes" at either Line A or Line C, you must apportion the amount of property taxes to be entered on Line 5. If title to the property is held by the eligible applicant with others as tenants in common or joint tenants (except in the case of husband and wife or civil union partners), or if the property consists of more than one unit, the applicant is only eligible for the proportionate share of the reimbursement which reflects the percentage of ownership or the percentage of occupancy.

**Multiple Owners.** If the applicant answered "Yes" at Part I, Line A, multiply the amount of property taxes on Line 3 by the percentage of ownership shown at Part I, Line B, and enter the result on Line 5.

**Multiunit Properties.** If the applicant answered "Yes" at Part I, Line C, multiply the amount of property taxes on Line 3 by the percentage of occupancy shown at Part I, Line D, and enter the result on Line 5.

If the applicant answered "Yes" to the questions at both Lines A and C in the same year, multiply the amount of property taxes on Line 3 by the percentage of occupancy shown at Part I, Line D, and enter the result on Line 5.

**Certification.** Complete the certification portion of Form PTR-1A. Sign and date the certification and place the authorization stamp in the space provided. (Use blue or black ink.)

Form PTR-1B

Mobile Home Owners

Verification of 2014 and 2015 Mobile Home Park Site Fees

(Applicant completes Parts I and III. Mobile home park owner or manager completes Part II. Use blue or black ink. See instructions for completion on back.)

Part I — To Be Completed by Applicant

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's/CU Partner's Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name, First Name, and Initial (Joint filers enter first name and initial of each - Enter spouse's/CU partner's last name ONLY if different)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Street City State Zip Code

Mobile Home Park Site # \_\_\_\_\_

Table with 2 columns (2014, 2015) and 2 rows (A, B) for occupancy and fee share verification.

Part II — To Be Completed by Mobile Home Park Owner or Manager

Column A — 2014 Site Fees

(Do not include municipal service fees or other charges)

- 1. Total site fees due for calendar year 2014 under agreement with mobile home park..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Total site fees paid by resident(s) for calendar year 2014 only..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If Line 2 is less than Line 1, do not complete the certification. The applicant is not eligible for a reimbursement.

Column B — 2015 Site Fees

(Do not include municipal service fees or other charges)

- 1. Total site fees due for calendar year 2015 under agreement with mobile home park.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Total site fees paid by resident(s) for calendar year 2015 only.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

If Line 2 is less than Line 1, do not complete the certification. The applicant is not eligible for a reimbursement.

Under the penalties of perjury, I certify that I am the owner or manager of \_\_\_\_\_, where the above mobile home site is located. I further certify that the above-stated amounts of site fees due were paid for calendar years 2014 and 2015 and are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

(Name) (Title) (Date) (Phone)

Part III — To Be Completed by Applicant (AFTER Part II has been completed by mobile home park owner or manager)

Column A — 2014

- 3. Total site fees paid by all residents living at this address. (Enter amount from Part II, Line 2, Column A)..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
4. Share (percentage) of site fees that you (and your spouse/CU partner) paid in 2014. (Enter percentage from Part I, Line B as a decimal. For example, if the share is 50%, enter 0.50. If 100%, enter 1.00).....x \_\_\_\_\_
5. Total site fees paid by you (and your spouse/CU partner) (Line 3 x Line 4) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
6. Total property taxes paid by you (and your spouse/CU partner) (Line 5 x 0.18). Enter this amount on Line 14, Form PTR-1 .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Column B — 2015

- 3. Total site fees paid by all residents living at this address. (Enter amount from Part II, Line 2, Column B)..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
4. Share (percentage) of site fees that you (and your spouse/CU partner) paid in 2015. (Enter percentage from Part I, Line B as a decimal. For example, if the share is 50%, enter 0.50. If 100%, enter 1.00).....x \_\_\_\_\_
5. Total site fees paid by you (and your spouse/CU partner) (Line 3 x Line 4) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
6. Total property taxes paid by you (and your spouse/CU partner) (Line 5 x 0.18). Enter this amount on Line 13, Form PTR-1 .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(If you complete this form, be sure to enclose it with your Form PTR-1 application.)

# Form PTR-1B – Instructions

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## Part I – To Be Completed by Applicant

**Social Security Number.** If your marital/civil union status as of December 31, 2015, was single, you must enter your social security number in the space provided on Form PTR-1B. If your status as of December 31, 2015, was married/CU couple, you must report both applicants' numbers in the order in which the names are listed on the application. If you were married or in a civil union but living apart from your spouse/civil union partner, and you did not have access to or receive support from their income, you are considered "Single" for purposes of the property tax reimbursement. You should enter only your social security number on Form PTR-1B.

**Name and Address.** Print or type your name (last name first) and complete address of the property for which you are claiming the reimbursement in the spaces provided. Also include your spouse's/civil union partner's name if filing jointly.

**Mobile Home Park Site Number.** Enter the mobile home park site number of the principal residence for which you are claiming the reimbursement in the space provided.

- A. Multiple Occupants.** Check "Yes" only if you occupied your mobile home with someone else (other than your spouse/civil union partner) and shared mobile home park site fees with them. For example, you lived in your mobile home with your sister. If you (and your spouse/civil union partner) were the sole occupant(s), check "No."
- B. Percentage of Site Fees Paid.** Enter the share (percentage) of the site fees that you (and your spouse/civil union partner) paid. For example, if you and your sister lived in your mobile home and you both paid one-half of the site fees, you must enter 50% as your share. If you (and your spouse/civil union partner) were the sole occupant(s), enter 100%.

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## Part II – To Be Completed by Mobile Home Park Owner or Manager

Enter the appropriate amounts for calendar years 2014 and 2015 as follows:

**Line 1.** Enter the amount of site fees due under the mobile home park agreement entered into with the resident(s).

**Line 2.** Enter the total amount of mobile home park site fees paid by, or on behalf of, the resident(s). Enter **only** amounts actually due and paid for each calendar year.

Compare Lines 1 and 2 for each calendar year.

- If Line 2 is equal to Line 1 for both years, complete the certification portion of Form PTR-1B.
- If Line 2 is **less than** Line 1 for either or both years, **do not complete the certification portion of Form PTR-1B.** The applicant is not eligible for a property tax reimbursement.

**Certification.** Complete the certification portion of Form PTR-1B.

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## Part III – To Be Completed by Applicant

**Line 3 - Total Site Fees Paid.** Enter the total site fees paid for each calendar year by all residents who lived in the mobile home for which you are claiming a property tax reimbursement. (Enter amount from Part II, Line 2.)

**Line 4 - Percentage of Site Fees Paid.** Enter your share (percentage) of site fees paid from Part I, Line B for each calendar year. Enter this number as a decimal. For example, if you lived in your mobile home with your sister and you both paid 50% of the site fees, enter 0.50 on Line 4. If

you and your spouse/civil union partner were the sole occupant(s), enter 1.00.

**Line 5 - Total Site Fees Paid by Applicant.** Multiply the amount on Line 3 by the decimal on Line 4.

**Line 6 - Total Property Taxes Paid by Applicant.** Multiply the amount of site fees on Line 5 by 18% (0.18) and enter the result in the box at Line 6.

## 2015 and 2014 Property Taxes (Lines 13 and 14)

### HOMEOWNERS

Enter your total property taxes due and paid on your principal residence in New Jersey for 2015 on Line 13, and for 2014 on Line 14. (If you received a senior citizen's deduction, veteran's deduction, Regional Efficiency Aid Program (REAP) credit, and/or homestead benefit credit(s) in 2014 or 2015, enter the amount of property taxes actually due and paid before the deduction(s) and/or credit(s) were subtracted.)

*If you enclose Form PTR-1A, you must enter on Lines 13 and 14 the property tax amounts for 2014 and 2015 from the boxes at Line 5 in Part II.*

Enter dollars and cents, one digit in each box (). Do not use dollar signs or dashes. You must have paid the full amount of 2015 property taxes due by June 1, 2016, and the full amount of 2014 property taxes due by June 1, 2015, to be eligible for the reimbursement.

### NOTE:

- **If you (or your spouse/civil union partner) are a totally and permanently disabled veteran who received a 100% exemption from local property taxes in 2014 or 2015, you are not eligible for a property tax reimbursement, even if a portion of the property was rented to a tenant and property taxes were paid on the rented portion.**
- **If you made P.I.L.O.T. (Payments-in-Lieu-of-Tax) payments to your municipality during 2014 or 2015, these payments are not considered property taxes for purposes of the property tax reimbursement.**

**Residents of cooperative dwelling units and continuing care retirement facilities** must obtain a statement from their management indicating their share of property taxes paid for the residential unit they occupy.

**Multiple Owners.** If you owned your home with someone other than your spouse/civil union partner, enter for each year the proportionate share of the property taxes for your percentage of ownership listed at Line 11b. The shares of ownership of the property are considered to be held equally

by all owners. If the shares of ownership are not equal, enclose a copy of your deed or other documentation with your application showing your percentage of ownership.

**Example:** You and your sister (who lives in another state) are co-owners of a home on which you pay all the property taxes. If the 2015 property taxes totaled \$6,000 and the 2014 property taxes totaled \$5,000, you must indicate at Line 11b that you owned 50% of the property, and you must enter \$3,000 ( $\$6,000 \times 50\%$ ) on Line 13 and \$2,500 ( $\$5,000 \times 50\%$ ) on Line 14. You are only eligible for a proportionate share of the reimbursement based on your percentage of ownership in the property. Your sister is not eligible for a reimbursement for this home because she does not live there.

**Multiple Units.** If your principal residence was a unit in a multiunit property that you owned, enter for each year the proportionate share of the property taxes for the unit you occupied as your principal residence.

**Example:** You own a four-unit property. If the 2015 property taxes for the entire property totaled \$4,000 and the 2014 property taxes totaled \$3,800 and you indicated at Line 12b that you occupied 25% of the property (one unit), you must enter \$1,000 ( $\$4,000 \times 25\%$ ) on Line 13 and \$950 ( $\$3,800 \times 25\%$ ) on Line 14. You are only eligible for a proportionate share of the reimbursement based on the portion of the property that you occupied as your principal residence, even if you paid all of the property taxes.

**Multiunit Property With Multiple Owners.** If you answered "Yes" at both Lines 11a and 12a for 2014 or 2015, use the percentage of occupancy on Line 12b to calculate your proportionate share of property taxes.

### MOBILE HOME OWNERS

Enter your property taxes due and paid on your principal residence in New Jersey for 2015 on Line 13, and for 2014 on Line 14. (For mobile home owners, property taxes are 18% of the annual site fees due and paid to the owner of the mobile home park.) If you lived with someone (other than your spouse/civil union partner) and shared the site fees with them, use the percentage



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entered on Line 11b to calculate the proportionate share of the site fees paid by you (and your spouse/civil union partner). Multiply the amount of site fees for each year by 18% (0.18) and enter the result in the boxes at Lines 13 and 14.

*If you enclose Form PTR-1B, you must enter on Lines 13 and 14 the property tax amounts for 2014 and 2015 from the boxes at Line 6 in Part III.*

Enter dollars and cents, one digit in each box (□). Do not use dollar signs or dashes. You must have paid the full amount of site fees due for 2015 by December 31, 2015, and the full amount of site fees due for 2014 by December 31, 2014, to be eligible for the reimbursement.

### **Important**

**You must enclose verification of 2014 and 2015 property taxes (or mobile home park site fees) due and paid with Form PTR-1. See page 3 for acceptable forms of proof.**

## **Reimbursement Amount (Line 15)**

Subtract Line 14 from Line 13 and enter the result on Line 15. Enter dollars and cents, one digit in each box (□). Do not use dollar signs or dashes. This is the amount of your 2015 property tax reimbursement. If the amount on Line 15 is zero or less, **you are not eligible for a property tax reimbursement, and you should not file this application.**

The total amount of all property tax relief benefits you receive for 2015 (property tax reimbursement, homestead benefit, property tax deduction for senior citizens/disabled persons, and property tax deduction for veterans) cannot exceed the total amount of property taxes or rent/site fees constituting property taxes paid for 2015 on your principal residence in New Jersey. (For this purpose, 18% of rent/site fees paid during the year is considered property taxes.) This limitation may affect the amount of your property tax reimbursement.

**NOTE: Eligibility requirements, including income limits, and benefits available under this program are subject to change by the State Budget. Check the Division of Taxation's website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml) or call 1-800-323-4400 for updated information. (See "Impact of State Budget" on page 1.)**

Under New Jersey law, if you receive a property tax reimbursement that is larger than the amount for which you are eligible, you will be required to repay any excess you received. The amount you owe can be deducted from your property tax reimbursement, income tax refund or credit, or homestead benefit before a payment is issued.

## **Signatures**

Sign and date your application in blue or black ink. If your 2015 marital/civil union status is married/CU couple, both of you must sign the application. The signatures on the application you file must be original; photocopied signatures are not acceptable. We cannot process an application without the proper signature(s) and will return it to you. This may delay your reimbursement.

**Daytime Telephone Number and/or Email Address.** Providing your daytime telephone number and/or email address may help us process your application if we have questions. If you are filing a joint application, you can enter either your or your spouse's/civil union partner's daytime telephone number and/or email address.

**Tax Preparers.** Anyone who prepares an application for a fee must sign the application as a "Paid Preparer" and enter his or her social security number or Federal preparer tax identification number. Include the company or corporation name and Federal identification number if applicable. A tax preparer who fails to sign the application or provide a tax identification number may incur a \$25 penalty for each omission. Someone who prepares your application but does not charge you should not sign your application.

## Where to Send Your Application

When you have completed and signed your application, use the envelope provided in the booklet to mail the application and supporting documentation to:

NJ Division of Taxation  
Revenue Processing Center  
Property Tax Reimbursement  
PO Box 635  
Trenton, NJ 08646-0635

For information or help in completing your application, call the Property Tax Reimbursement Hotline at 1-800-882-6597 to speak to a Division of Taxation representative. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (except State holidays).

## Important Points to Remember

1. Complete the entire application. Provide full information for both **2014** and **2015**.
2. You must meet the eligibility requirements for both **2014** and **2015** (see page 1).
3. Enclose proof of age or disability for **2014** and **2015**.
4. Homeowners, enclose copies of your **2014** and **2015** property tax bills and proof of payment **or** Form PTR-1A. Mobile home owners, enclose proof of **2014** and **2015** site fees due and paid **or** Form PTR-1B.
5. File your application on or before **June 1, 2016**.
6. If you meet the eligibility requirements for both **2014** and **2015**, you **must** file this application in order to use the amount of your **2014** property taxes to calculate your reimbursement in future years.
7. Eligibility requirements, including income limits, and benefits available under this program are subject to change by the State Budget. (See "Impact of State Budget" on page 1.)

### **Caution!!!**

**This is not an application for a homestead benefit. You must file a separate application to apply for a homestead benefit.**

## 2015 County/Municipality Codes

Enter the appropriate four-digit number in the boxes below the social security number boxes on Form PTR-1. These codes are for Division of Taxation purposes only. If the place where you live is not listed, see instructions on page 6.

Municipality	Code	Municipality	Code	Municipality	Code
<b>ATLANTIC COUNTY</b>					
Absecon City	0101	Hasbrouck Heights Bor.	0225	Bordentown Township	0304
Atlantic City	0102	Haworth Borough	0226	Burlington City	0305
Brigantine City	0103	Hillsdale Borough	0227	Burlington Township	0306
Buena Borough	0104	Ho Ho Kus Borough	0228	Chesterfield Township	0307
Buena Vista Township	0105	Leonia Borough	0229	Cinnaminson Township	0308
Corbin City	0106	Little Ferry Borough	0230	Delanco Township	0309
Egg Harbor City	0107	Lodi Borough	0231	Delran Township	0310
Egg Harbor Township	0108	Lyndhurst Township	0232	Eastampton Township	0311
Estell Manor City	0109	Mahwah Township	0233	Edgewater Park Township	0312
Folsom Borough	0110	Maywood Borough	0234	Evesham Township	0313
Galloway Township	0111	Midland Park Borough	0235	Fieldsboro Borough	0314
Hamilton Township	0112	Montvale Borough	0236	Florence Township	0315
Hammonton Town	0113	Moonachie Borough	0237	Hainesport Township	0316
Linwood City	0114	New Milford Borough	0238	Lumberton Township	0317
Longport Borough	0115	North Arlington Borough	0239	Mansfield Township	0318
Margate City	0116	Northvale Borough	0240	Maple Shade Township	0319
Mullica Township	0117	Norwood Borough	0241	Medford Township	0320
Northfield City	0118	Oakland Borough	0242	Medford Lakes Borough	0321
Pleasantville City	0119	Old Tappan Borough	0243	Moorestown Township	0322
Port Republic City	0120	Oradell Borough	0244	Mount Holly Township	0323
Somers Point City	0121	Palisades Park Borough	0245	Mount Laurel Township	0324
Ventnor City	0122	Paramus Borough	0246	New Hanover Township	0325
Weymouth Township	0123	Park Ridge Borough	0247	North Hanover Township	0326
<b>BERGEN COUNTY</b>					
Allendale Borough	0201	Ramsey Borough	0248	Palmyra Borough	0327
Alpine Borough	0202	Ridgefield Borough	0249	Pemberton Borough	0328
Bergenfield Borough	0203	Ridgefield Park Village	0250	Pemberton Township	0329
Bogota Borough	0204	Ridgewood Village	0251	Riverside Township	0330
Carlstadt Borough	0205	River Edge Borough	0252	Riverton Borough	0331
Cliffside Park Borough	0206	River Vale Township	0253	Shamong Township	0332
Closter Borough	0207	Rochelle Park Township	0254	Southampton Township	0333
Cresskill Borough	0208	Rockleigh Borough	0255	Springfield Township	0334
Demarest Borough	0209	Rutherford Borough	0256	Tabernacle Township	0335
Dumont Borough	0210	Saddle Brook Township	0257	Washington Township	0336
East Rutherford Borough	0212	Saddle River Borough	0258	Westampton Township	0337
Edgewater Borough	0213	South Hackensack Twp.	0259	Willingboro Township	0338
Elmwood Park Borough	0211	Teaneck Township	0260	Woodland Township	0339
Emerson Borough	0214	Tenaflly Borough	0261	Wrightstown Borough	0340
Englewood City	0215	Teterboro Borough	0262	<b>CAMDEN COUNTY</b>	
Englewood Cliffs Boro	0216	Upper Saddle River Bor.	0263	Audubon Borough	0401
Fair Lawn Borough	0217	Waldwick Borough	0264	Audubon Park Borough	0402
Fairview Borough	0218	Wallington Borough	0265	Barrington Borough	0403
Fort Lee Borough	0219	Washington Township	0266	Bellmawr Borough	0404
Franklin Lakes Borough	0220	Westwood Borough	0267	Berlin Borough	0405
Garfield City	0221	Woodcliff Lake Borough	0268	Berlin Township	0406
Glen Rock Borough	0222	Wood-Ridge Borough	0269	Brooklawn Borough	0407
Hackensack City	0223	Wyckoff Township	0270	Camden City	0408
Harrington Park Borough	0224	<b>BURLINGTON COUNTY</b>		Cherry Hill Township	0409
		Bass River Township	0301	Chesilhurst Borough	0410
		Beverly City	0302		
		Bordentown City	0303		

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Clementon Borough	0411	Fairfield Township	0605	South Harrison Township	0816
Collingswood Borough	0412	Greenwich Township	0606	Swedesboro Borough	0817
Gibbsboro Borough	0413	Hopewell Township	0607	Washington Township	0818
Gloucester City	0414	Lawrence Township	0608	Wenonah Borough	0819
Gloucester Township	0415	Maurice River Township	0609	West Deptford Township	0820
Haddon Township	0416	Millville City	0610	Westville Borough	0821
Haddonfield Borough	0417	Shiloh Borough	0611	Woodbury City	0822
Haddon Heights Borough	0418	Stow Creek Township	0612	Woodbury Heights Bor.	0823
Hi-Nella Borough	0419	Upper Deerfield Twp.	0613	Woolwich Township	0824
Laurel Springs Borough	0420	Vineland City	0614		
Lawnside Borough	0421			<b>HUDSON COUNTY</b>	
Lindenwold Borough	0422	<b>ESSEX COUNTY</b>		Bayonne City	0901
Magnolia Borough	0423	Belleville Township	0701	East Newark Borough	0902
Merchantville Borough	0424	Bloomfield Township	0702	Guttenberg Town	0903
Mount Ephraim Borough	0425	Caldwell Borough Twp.	0703	Harrison Town	0904
Oaklyn Borough	0426	Cedar Grove Township	0704	Hoboken City	0905
Pennsauken Township	0427	East Orange City	0705	Jersey City	0906
Pine Hill Borough	0428	Essex Fells Twp.	0706	Kearny Town	0907
Pine Valley Borough	0429	Fairfield Township	0707	North Bergen Township	0908
Runnemede Borough	0430	Glen Ridge Borough Twp.	0708	Secaucus Town	0909
Somerdale Borough	0431	Irvington Township	0709	Union City	0910
Stratford Borough	0432	Livingston Township	0710	Weehawken Township	0911
Tavistock Borough	0433	Maplewood Township	0711	West New York Town	0912
Voorhees Township	0434	Millburn Township	0712		
Waterford Township	0435	Montclair Township	0713	<b>HUNTERDON COUNTY</b>	
Winslow Township	0436	Newark City	0714	Alexandria Township	1001
Woodlynne Borough	0437	North Caldwell Borough	0715	Bethlehem Township	1002
		Nutley Township	0716	Bloomsbury Borough	1003
<b>CAPE MAY COUNTY</b>		Orange City	0717	Califon Borough	1004
Avalon Borough	0501	Roseland Borough	0718	Clinton Town	1005
Cape May City	0502	South Orange Village Twp.	0719	Clinton Township	1006
Cape May Point Borough	0503	Verona Township	0720	Delaware Township	1007
Dennis Township	0504	West Caldwell Township	0721	East Amwell Township	1008
Lower Township	0505	West Orange Township	0722	Flemington Borough	1009
Middle Township	0506			Franklin Township	1010
North Wildwood City	0507	<b>GLOUCESTER COUNTY</b>		Frenchtown Borough	1011
Ocean City	0508	Clayton Borough	0801	Glen Gardner Borough	1012
Sea Isle City	0509	Deptford Township	0802	Hampton Borough	1013
Stone Harbor Borough	0510	East Greenwich Township	0803	High Bridge Borough	1014
Upper Township	0511	Elk Township	0804	Holland Township	1015
West Cape May Borough	0512	Franklin Township	0805	Kingwood Township	1016
West Wildwood Borough	0513	Glassboro Borough	0806	Lambertville City	1017
Wildwood City	0514	Greenwich Township	0807	Lebanon Borough	1018
Wildwood Crest Borough	0515	Harrison Township	0808	Lebanon Township	1019
Woodbine Borough	0516	Logan Township	0809	Milford Borough	1020
		Mantua Township	0810	Raritan Township	1021
<b>CUMBERLAND COUNTY</b>		Monroe Township	0811	Readington Township	1022
Bridgeton City	0601	National Park Borough	0812	Stockton Borough	1023
Commercial Township	0602	Newfield Borough	0813	Tewksbury Township	1024
Deerfield Township	0603	Paulsboro Borough	0814	Union Township	1025
Downe Township	0604	Pitman Borough	0815	West Amwell Township	1026

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Ewing Township	1102	Deal Borough	1311	Chester Township	1407
Hamilton Township	1103	Eatontown Borough	1312	Denville Township	1408
Hightstown Borough	1104	Englishtown Borough	1313	Dover Town	1409
Hopewell Borough	1105	Fair Haven Borough	1314	East Hanover Township	1410
Hopewell Township	1106	Farmingdale Borough	1315	Florham Park Borough	1411
Lawrence Township	1107	Freehold Borough	1316	Hanover Township	1412
Pennington Borough	1108	Freehold Township	1317	Harding Township	1413
Princeton	1114	Hazlet Township	1318	Jefferson Township	1414
Robbinsville Township	1112	Highlands Borough	1319	Kinnelon Borough	1415
Trenton City	1111	Holmdel Township	1320	Lincoln Park Borough	1416
West Windsor Township	1113	Howell Township	1321	Long Hill Township	1430
<b>MIDDLESEX COUNTY</b>					
Carteret Borough	1201	Interlaken Borough	1322	Madison Borough	1417
Cranbury Township	1202	Keansburg Borough	1323	Mendham Borough	1418
Dunellen Borough	1203	Keyport Borough	1324	Mendham Township	1419
East Brunswick Township	1204	Lake Como Borough	1346	Mine Hill Township	1420
Edison Township	1205	Little Silver Borough	1325	Montville Township	1421
Helmetta Borough	1206	Loch Arbour Village	1326	Morris Plains Borough	1423
Highland Park Borough	1207	Long Branch City	1327	Morris Township	1422
Jamesburg Borough	1208	Manalapan Township	1328	Morristown Town	1424
Metuchen Borough	1209	Manasquan Borough	1329	Mountain Lakes Borough	1425
Middlesex Borough	1210	Marlboro Township	1330	Mt. Arlington Borough	1426
Milltown Borough	1211	Matawan Borough	1331	Mt. Olive Township	1427
Monroe Township	1212	Middletown Township	1332	Netcong Borough	1428
New Brunswick City	1213	Millstone Township	1333	Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp.	1429
North Brunswick Twp.	1214	Monmouth Beach Borough	1334	Pequannock Township	1431
Old Bridge Township	1215	Neptune City Borough	1336	Randolph Township	1432
Perth Amboy City	1216	Neptune Township	1335	Riverdale Borough	1433
Piscataway Township	1217	Ocean Township	1337	Rockaway Borough	1434
Plainsboro Township	1218	Oceanport Borough	1338	Rockaway Township	1435
Sayreville Borough	1219	Red Bank Borough	1339	Roxbury Township	1436
South Amboy City	1220	Roosevelt Borough	1340	Victory Gardens Borough	1437
South Brunswick Twp.	1221	Rumson Borough	1341	Washington Township	1438
South Plainfield Bor.	1222	Sea Bright Borough	1342	Wharton Borough	1439
South River Borough	1223	Sea Girt Borough	1343	<b>OCEAN COUNTY</b>	
Spotswood Borough	1224	Shrewsbury Borough	1344	Barneget Township	1501
Woodbridge Township	1225	Shrewsbury Township	1345	Barneget Light Borough	1502
<b>MONMOUTH COUNTY</b>					
Aberdeen Township	1301	Spring Lake Borough	1347	Bay Head Borough	1503
Allenhurst Borough	1302	Spring Lake Heights Bor.	1348	Beach Haven Borough	1504
Allentown Borough	1303	Tinton Falls Borough	1349	Beachwood Borough	1505
Asbury Park City	1304	Union Beach Borough	1350	Berkeley Township	1506
Atlantic Highlands Bor.	1305	Upper Freehold Township	1351	Brick Township	1507
Avon-by-the-Sea Bor.	1306	Wall Township	1352	Eagleswood Township	1509
Belmar Borough	1307	West Long Branch Boro	1353	Harvey Cedars Borough	1510
Bradley Beach Borough	1308	<b>MORRIS COUNTY</b>		Island Heights Borough	1511
Brielle Borough	1309	Boonton Town	1401	Jackson Township	1512
		Boonton Township	1402	Lacey Township	1513
		Butler Borough	1403	Lakehurst Borough	1514
		Chatham Borough	1404	Lakewood Township	1515
		Chatham Township	1405	Lavallette Borough	1516

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Long Beach Township	1518	Upper Pittsgrove Twp.	1714	Wantage Township	1924
Manchester Township	1519	Woodstown Borough	1715		
Mantoloking Borough	1520			<b>UNION COUNTY</b>	
Ocean Gate Borough	1522	<b>SOMERSET COUNTY</b>		Berkeley Heights Twp.	2001
Ocean Township	1521	Bedminster Township	1801	Clark Township	2002
Pine Beach Borough	1523	Bernards Township	1802	Cranford Township	2003
Plumsted Township	1524	Bernardsville Borough	1803	Elizabeth City	2004
Point Pleasant Borough	1525	Bound Brook Borough	1804	Fanwood Borough	2005
Pt. Pleasant Beach Bor.	1526	Branchburg Township	1805	Garwood Borough	2006
Seaside Heights Borough	1527	Bridgewater Township	1806	Hillside Township	2007
Seaside Park Borough	1528	Far Hills Borough	1807	Kenilworth Borough	2008
Ship Bottom Borough	1529	Franklin Township	1808	Linden City	2009
South Toms River Bor.	1530	Green Brook Township	1809	Mountainside Borough	2010
Stafford Township	1531	Hillsborough Township	1810	New Providence Borough	2011
Surf City Borough	1532	Manville Borough	1811	Plainfield City	2012
Toms River Township	1508	Millstone Borough	1812	Rahway City	2013
Tuckerton Borough	1533	Montgomery Township	1813	Roselle Borough	2014
		North Plainfield Borough	1814	Roselle Park Borough	2015
<b>PASSAIC COUNTY</b>		Peapack & Gladstone Bor.	1815	Scotch Plains Township	2016
Bloomington Borough	1601	Raritan Borough	1816	Springfield Township	2017
Clifton City	1602	Rocky Hill Borough	1817	Summit City	2018
Haledon Borough	1603	Somerville Borough	1818	Union Township	2019
Hawthorne Borough	1604	South Bound Brook Bor.	1819	Westfield Town	2020
Little Falls Township	1605	Warren Township	1820	Winfield Township	2021
North Haledon Borough	1606	Watchung Borough	1821		
Passaic City	1607			<b>WARREN COUNTY</b>	
Paterson City	1608	<b>SUSSEX COUNTY</b>		Allamuchy Township	2101
Pompton Lakes Borough	1609	Andover Borough	1901	Alpha Borough	2102
Prospect Park Borough	1610	Andover Township	1902	Belvidere Town	2103
Ringwood Borough	1611	Branchville Borough	1903	Blairstown Township	2104
Totowa Borough	1612	Byram Township	1904	Franklin Township	2105
Wanaque Borough	1613	Frankford Township	1905	Frelinghuysen Township	2106
Wayne Township	1614	Franklin Borough	1906	Greenwich Township	2107
West Milford Township	1615	Fredon Township	1907	Hackettstown Town	2108
Woodland Park Borough	1616	Green Township	1908	Hardwick Township	2109
		Hamburg Borough	1909	Harmony Township	2110
<b>SALEM COUNTY</b>		Hampton Township	1910	Hope Township	2111
Alloway Township	1701	Hardyston Township	1911	Independence Township	2112
Carneys Point Township	1702	Hopatcong Borough	1912	Knowlton Township	2113
Elmer Borough	1703	Lafayette Township	1913	Liberty Township	2114
Elsinboro Township	1704	Montague Township	1914	Lopatcong Township	2115
Lower Alloways Crk. Twp.	1705	Newton Town	1915	Mansfield Township	2116
Mannington Township	1706	Ogdensburg Borough	1916	Oxford Township	2117
Oldmans Township	1707	Sandyston Township	1917	Phillipsburg Town	2119
Penns Grove Borough	1708	Sparta Township	1918	Pohatcong Township	2120
Pennsville Township	1709	Stanhope Borough	1919	Washington Borough	2121
Pilesgrove Township	1710	Stillwater Township	1920	Washington Township	2122
Pittsgrove Township	1711	Sussex Borough	1921	White Township	2123
Quinton Township	1712	Vernon Township	1922		

**Line 19a - Pensions, Annuities, and IRA Withdrawals**

Pensions, annuities, and certain IRA withdrawals are taxable on the New Jersey return and must be reported on Line 19a, although the taxable amount may differ from the Federal amount. See page 22 for information on Roth IRAs.

All state and local government, teachers', and Federal pensions, and Keogh Plans are treated in the same manner as pensions from the private sector. Amounts received as "early retirement benefits" and amounts reported as pension on Schedule NJK-1, Partnership Return Form NJ-1065 are also taxable. Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits are exempt from New Jersey income tax and should not be reported as pension income on Form NJ-1040. Pension payments received by reason of total and permanent disability are also exempt. However, if you retired before age 65 on a total and permanent disability pension and continue to receive pension payments after age 65, your disability pension is then treated as an ordinary pension. (See definition of "disabled" on page 15.)

If you are receiving a United States military pension or survivor's benefit payments, the military pension or survivor's benefit is exempt from New Jersey income tax regardless of your age or disability status. Do not include such payments on Form NJ-1040.

Military pensions are those resulting from service in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard. This exemption does not apply to civil service pensions or annuities, even if the pension or annuity is based on credit for military service. Most military pensions and survivor's benefit payments are received from the U.S. Defense Finance and Accounting Service, while a civil service annuity is received through the U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Retirement plans (pensions, annuities, IRAs) are either noncontributory or contributory. A noncontributory plan is one

**Worksheet A**  
**Which Pension Method to Use**

1. Amount of pension you will receive during the first three years (36 months) from the date of the first payment ..... 1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Your contributions to the plan ..... 2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1 ..... 3. \_\_\_\_\_
  - (a) If line 3 is "0" or more, *and* both you and your employer contributed to the plan, you may use the **Three-Year Rule Method**.
  - (b) If line 3 is less than "0," or your employer did not contribute to the plan, you must use the **General Rule Method**.

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to which you have not made contributions. A contributory plan is one to which **you have made contributions**, usually through payroll deductions. The amount you report on Line 19a will depend on whether or not you made contributions to the plan.

**Noncontributory Plans.** Amounts you receive from noncontributory plans are fully taxable. Enter on Line 19a the total amount of the pension or annuity from your 1099-R.

**Contributory Plans (Other Than IRAs).** The total value of your pension or annuity consists of your contributions, your employer's contributions (if any), and earnings. In general, your contributions to a pension or annuity were taxed when they were made and are not taxed by New Jersey when withdrawn (except for 401(k) Plans). Therefore, you must determine the taxable part of any distribution you receive. Use Worksheet A above to determine whether you should use the Three-Year Rule Method or the General Rule Method for your pension or annuity.

**NOTE:**

- ♦ If you received a distribution from a 401(k) Plan, see the section on 401(k) Plans on page 22 before continuing.
- ♦ The taxable amount of an IRA withdrawal must be determined by completing Worksheet C, IRA Withdrawals, on page 23. **Do not use Worksheet A or B for an IRA withdrawal.**

**Three-Year Rule Method.** If you will recover your contributions within three years from the date you receive the first

payment from the plan, and both you **and** your employer contributed to the plan, you may use the Three-Year Rule Method to determine your New Jersey taxable pension income. The Three-Year Rule allows you to exclude your pension and annuity payments from income until the payments you receive equal your contributions to the plan. Until that time, the amounts you receive, because they are considered your contributions, should not be reported as taxable income on Line 19a. However, these amounts must be included on Line 19b (see page 23). Once you have received (recovered) an amount equal to the amount you contributed, the payments you receive are fully taxable. Since the Three-Year Rule has been repealed for Federal income tax purposes, if you retired after July 1, 1986, the taxable amount of pension or annuity that you report on your New Jersey return when using this method will differ from the amount you report on your Federal return.

**General Rule Method.** If you will not recover your contributions within three years from the date you receive the first payment from the plan, or your employer did not contribute to the plan, you must use the General Rule Method to determine your New Jersey taxable pension income. From the first year you receive your pension and every year thereafter, part of your pension will be excludable (the amount that represents your contributions) and part will be taxable. Use Worksheet B on page 22 to determine the taxable amount as well as the amount to be excluded.

# Appendix A

## 2015 Form NJ-1040 Instructions

Complete Worksheet B the year in which you receive your first pension payment. Once calculated, use the percentage on line 3 to determine the taxable and excludable amounts year after year. You must recalculate the percentage only if your annual pension payments decrease.

**Contributions to Plans Prior to Residence.** Any contributions you made to a pension, annuity, or IRA prior to moving to New Jersey are treated in the same way as the contributions would have been treated had you resided in New Jersey at the time. Contributions to plans other than 401(k) Plans are considered to have been previously taxed. Use the appropriate method to determine the taxable and excludable amounts.

**Lump-Sum Distributions and Rollovers.** When a lump-sum distribution of the entire balance from a qualified employee pension, annuity, profit-sharing, or other plan is made, the amount received in excess of the contributions to the plan that have already been taxed must be included in your income in the year received. New Jersey has no provisions for income averaging of lump-sum distributions. Report the taxable amount of a lump-sum distribution on Line 19a and the excludable amount on Line 19b.

A lump-sum distribution from an IRA or a qualified employee pension or annuity plan which you roll over into an IRA or

other eligible plan should not be reported as income on Line 19a or 19b if the rollover qualifies for deferral for Federal income tax purposes. The amount rolled over (minus previously taxed contributions) is taxable later when it is withdrawn. As under Federal law, the rollover must be made within the 60-day period after distribution.

**401(k) Plans.** Beginning on January 1, 1984, New Jersey's treatment of 401(k) Plan contributions changed. After that date employee contributions to 401(k) Plans were no longer included in taxable wages when earned. If you made contributions to your 401(k) Plan prior to January 1, 1984, your distribution will be treated differently than if you made all of your contributions after this date.

1. **All contributions made on or after January 1, 1984.** If all of your contributions to the 401(k) Plan were made on or after January 1, 1984, then your distributions from the plan are fully taxable unless your contributions exceeded the Federal limit.
2. **Contributions made before January 1, 1984.** If you made contributions to the 401(k) Plan before January 1, 1984, or you made contributions beyond the Federal limit, calculate the taxable and excludable portions of your distributions from the plan using one of the methods described under contributory plans.

For more detailed information on reporting pension and annuity income on your New Jersey return, see Tax Topic Bulletin GIT-1, *Pensions and Annuities*.

**IRAs.** Your IRA consists of your contributions and earnings plus certain amounts, if any, rolled over from pension plans. In general, your contributions were taxed when they were made and are not taxed by New Jersey when withdrawn. If your contributions have been previously taxed, only the portion of your distribution that represents earnings is taxable.

Earnings credited to an IRA are not subject to tax until withdrawn. The interest, dividends and other earnings, as well as amounts which were tax-free rollovers, will become taxable when withdrawn. If the total amount in the IRA is withdrawn, the entire amount of the interest or accumulated gains becomes taxable in the year the withdrawal is made.

If, however, the withdrawal from an IRA is made over a period of years, the portion of the annual distribution that represents interest income and accumulated gains in the IRA is subject to tax. A distribution from a rollover IRA which is fully taxable for Federal income tax purposes may be treated differently for New Jersey purposes if your contributions were subject to New Jersey income tax when the contributions were made.

Use Worksheet C on page 23 to determine the taxable and excludable portions of your IRA withdrawal. Report the taxable amount of an IRA withdrawal on Line 19a. For multiple IRAs, you may use a separate worksheet for each IRA, or you may combine all IRAs on one worksheet.

For more detailed information on IRA withdrawals, see Tax Topic Bulletin GIT-2, *IRA Withdrawals*, or Technical Bulletin TB-44.

### Worksheet B General Rule Method

- |   |    |         |
|---|----|---------|
| 1. Your previously taxed contributions to the plan .....  | 1. | _____   |
| 2. Expected return on contract* .....   | 2. | _____   |
| 3. Percentage excludable (Divide line 1 by line 2) .....  | 3. | _____ % |
| 4. Amount received this year .....  | 4. | _____   |
| 5. Amount excludable (Multiply line 4 by line 3)<br>Enter here and on Line 19b, Form NJ-1040 .....  | 5. | _____   |
| 6. Taxable amount (Subtract line 5 from line 4).<br>Enter here and on Line 19a, Form NJ-1040) ..... | 6. | _____   |

\*The expected return on the contract is the amount receivable. If life expectancy is a factor under your plan, Federal actuarial tables must be used to compute the expected return. The Federal actuarial tables are contained in the Internal Revenue Service's Publication 939, *General Rule for Pensions and Annuities*. Contact the IRS for this publication. If life expectancy is not a factor under your plan, the expected return is found by totaling the amounts to be received.

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**Worksheet C - IRA Withdrawals**  
**2015**

**Part I**

1. **Value of IRA** on 12/31/15.  
Include contributions made for the tax year from 1/1/16–4/15/16 ..... 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. **Total distributions from IRA during the tax year.** Do not include tax-free rollovers..... 2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. **Total value of IRA.**  
Add lines 1 and 2 ..... 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- Unrecovered Contributions:**  
Complete either line 4a or 4b:
- 4a. **First year of withdrawal from IRA:**  
Enter the total of IRA contributions that were previously taxed ..... 4a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4b. **After first year of withdrawal from IRA:** Complete Part II. Enter amount of unrecovered contributions from Part II, line (g)\* ..... 4b. \_\_\_\_\_
  5. **Accumulated earnings in IRA on 12/31/15.** Subtract either line 4a or 4b from line 3 ..... 5. \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Divide line 5 by line 3 and enter the result as a decimal ..... 6. \_\_\_\_\_
  7. **Taxable portion of this year's withdrawal.**  
Multiply line 2 by decimal amount on line 6.  
Enter here and on Line 19a, Form NJ-1040 ..... 7. \_\_\_\_\_
  8. **Excludable portion of this year's withdrawal.** Subtract line 7 from line 2.  
Enter here and on Line 19b, Form NJ-1040 .... 8. \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II—Unrecovered Contributions**

- (For Second and Later Years)
- (a) **Last year's unrecovered contributions.**  
From line 4 of last year's worksheet\* ..... (a) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) **Amount withdrawn last year.**  
From line 2 of last year's worksheet ..... (b) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (c) **Taxable portion of last year's withdrawal.** From line 7 of last year's worksheet ..... (c) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (d) **Contributions recovered last year.** Subtract line (c) from line (b) ..... (d) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (e) **This year's unrecovered contributions.**  
Subtract line (d) from line (a) ..... (e) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (f) **Contributions to IRA during current tax year.** Do not include tax-free rollovers ..... (f) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (g) **Total unrecovered contributions.**  
Line (e) plus line (f). Enter here and on Part I, line 4b ..... (g) \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you did not complete a worksheet in prior year(s), skip Part II and calculate the amount of unrecovered contributions as follows:

- A. Determine the total amount of **withdrawal(s)** made from the IRA in previous years.
- B. Total the portion(s) of these previous year withdrawal(s) already reported as income on prior New Jersey tax returns.
- C. Subtract the amount of previous year withdrawals reported (B) from the total amount of previous year withdrawals (A). This difference is the amount of contributions that have been *recovered* thus far.
- D. Subtract the amount of *recovered* contributions (C) from the *total* amount of contributions made to the IRA. This is the amount of **unrecovered** contributions to enter on **line 4b** of **Part I**.

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