

## Ministry of Revenue

Tax Compliance and Regional Operations Branch Land Taxes Section 33 King Street West PO Box 625 Oshawa ON L1H 8H9

# **Ontario Land Transfer Tax Refund Affidavit**

Registration No.

For First-Time Purchasers of Eligible Homes (Resale)

Land Transfer Tax Act

| Ce formulaire est disponible en français   |                                   |                              | Date   |
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| Please refer to instructions on reverse.   |                                   |                              | Date   |
| In The Matter Of The Transfer Of (ins  | ert brief legal description of la | nd)                          |  |
|  |                                   |                              |  |
| BY (print name of all transferors in full)   |                                   |                              |  |
| TO (print name of all transferees in full)   |                                   |                              |  |
| I/we, (print names of all first-time home pu   | rchasers in full)                 |                              |  |
| make oath and say that:  |                                   |                              |  |
| <ul> <li>I/we are first-time home "purchaser(<br/>reverse);</li> </ul>   | s)" as defined in the Lan         | d Transfer Tax Act (for      | definition of first time home purchaser, see   |
| I/we are acquiring an "eligible hore   | me" (for definition of elig       | gible home, see rever        | rse);  |
| • I/we will occupy the "eligible home" as my/our principal residence on which is within 9 months of the date of Conveyance or Disposition; and |                                   |                              | (yyyy-mm-dd)   |
| The Agreement of Purchase and Sale was entered into on and,  (yyyy-mm-dd)  |                                   |                              |  |
| the total purchase price of the ho   | me, excluding GST, is \$          | (,,,,,                       | •  |
|  | Ontario's Land Tran               | sfer Tax Calculation         |  |
| A Land Transfer Tax Paid   | B Land Transfer                   | Tax Refund Claimed           | C Net Land Transfer Tax Paid   |
| \$   | \$                                | (not to exceed \$2,00        | (A - B = C)  |
| <ul> <li>I/we meet all of the above con<br/>Land Transfer Tax Refund Prog</li> <li>To be sworn in person by first-time</li> </ul>              | ram for first-time home           | purchasers of eligible       |  |
| Sworn before me at the   |                                   |                              |  |
| in the   | )                                 |                              |  |
| this day of  | 2                                 |                              |  |
| •  | (                                 | Oi sus atuma (a)             | of all Grad kinns because a make a seri  |
| A Commissioner for taking Affidavits, etc.   |                                   | It is a serious offence to m | of all first-time home purchasers take a false affidavit. This affidavit is subject to audit and entitled to this refund, tax and interest will be may be imposed. |
|  |                                   |                              | urchaser had owned a home previously,<br>For definition of spouse, see reverse.)   |
| I  | have <b>n</b> e                   | <b>ot</b> owned an eligible  | e home, anywhere in the world, since   |
|  |                                   |                              |  |
| s.29 of the Family Law Act.  | ame of first-time home purchaser  | and we                       | are spouses of each other as defined by  |
| Signature of first-time purch  | aser                              |                              | Signature of spouse  |
| Address of Home Purchased  |                                   | Name(s) and Address(es)      | of Transferee's Solicitor  |
|  |                                   |                              |  |
| Telephone Number (Where you can be reached during working hours.)  |                                   | Telephone Number of Solid    | citor  |

### Instructions

Refund claims will be accepted directly by the Ministry but not issued until the proposed amendments become law. No refund shall be made unless it is applied for within 18 months after the date of the conveyance or disposition. All refund claims are subject to audit in accordance with the provisions of the Land Transfer Tax Act.

#### Transferor

Includes any person making a conveyance of land to a transferee.

#### Transferee

Includes a person to whom land is conveyed and any person whose interest in land is increased, created or given effect to as the result of a conveyance.

#### First-Time Home Purchaser(s)

To claim this refund, a transferee **must be a first-time home** "purchaser" as defined, that is, an individual:

- who is at least 18 years old;
- who has never owned an eligible home anywhere in the world; and
- whose spouse has not owned an eligible home anywhere in the world while he or she was a spouse of the individual.

### **Eligible Home**

An "eligible home" is:

- a detached house;
- a semi-detached house, including a dwelling house that is joined to another dwelling house at the footing or foundation by a wall above or below grade or both above and below grade;
- a townhouse;
- a share or shares of the capital stock of a co-operative corporation if the share or shares are acquired for the purpose of acquiring the right to inhabit a housing unit owned by the corporation;
- a mobile home that complies with the Canadian Standards Association Standard CAN/CSA-Z240 Mobile Homes and is suitable for year round permanent residential occupation;
- a condominium unit;
- a residential dwelling that is a duplex, triplex or fourplex;
- a partial ownership interest as a tenant in common of real property if the ownership interest was acquired for the purpose of acquiring the right to inhabit a housing unit forming part of the real property;
- a manufactured home, as defined in clause 9.2(1.1)(i) of the Land Transfer Tax Act; or
- any other residential property as may be prescribed.

## **Date of Agreement of Purchase and Sale**

The eligible home must have been purchased pursuant to an agreement of purchase and sale that was entered into after December 13, 2007.

Note: If the agreement of purchase and sale was entered into before December 14 2007, a refund can be granted only if the home is a "newly constructed home". See Tax Bulletin LTT 4-2003, Refunds for First-Time Purchasers of Newly Constructed Homes.

#### **Occupation Requirements**

The Purchaser must occupy the home as his or her principal residence no later than 9 months after the date of Conveyance or Disposition.

# **Total Purchase Price**

The total purchase price is the total value of consideration. Please consult Tax Bulletin LTT1-2006, *Determining The Value Of The Consideration For Transfers Of New Homes*.

### **Ontario Land Transfer Tax Calculation**

The land transfer tax payable is calculated at a progressive rate on the value of the consideration (purchase price) paid for the home. Use the following rates to calculate the amount of land transfer tax applicable to your purchase:

- 0.5% on the amount of the value of the consideration up to \$55,000
- 1.0% on the amount of the value of the consideration over \$55,000 to \$250,000
- 1.5% on the amount of the value of the consideration over \$250,000 to \$400,000
- 2.0% on the amount of the value of the consideration over \$400.000

#### **Ontario Land Transfer Tax Refund Calculation**

The Land Transfer Tax Refund is the amount of tax payable that is being claimed as a refund up to a maximum of \$2,000. The first-time home purchaser may claim the full maximum amount or a proportion of the maximum refund amount. For example:

- cost of home = \$100,000; land transfer tax payable = \$725; land transfer tax refund = \$725
- cost of home = \$200,000; land transfer tax payable = \$1,725; land transfer tax refund = \$1,725
- cost of home = \$300,000; land transfer tax payable = \$2,975; land transfer tax refund = \$2,000

The refund amount is reduced when one or more of the transferees are not first-time home purchasers. The reduction will be proportionate to the interest in land acquired by the individuals who are not first-time home purchasers. For example, a parent who is not a first-time home purchaser and child who is a first-time home purchaser, purchase a home with equal 50/50 interests, the son may claim 50% of the land transfer tax refund. The child's claim cannot exceed 50% of the maximum allowable refund, i.e., 50% of \$2,000.

#### **Sworn Affidavit**

Names of all first-time home purchasers who are claiming the refund should be listed on the affidavit and **all first-time home purchasers must sign the affidavit**. Transferees who are not first-time home purchasers cannot swear this affidavit and should only appear in the line requesting "print name of all transferees in full". The affidavit must be sworn in person by the first-time home purchaser(s) before a commissioner for taking affidavits. Please note that a person who holds a power of attorney cannot swear this affidavit on behalf of the first-time home purchaser(s).

### Spousal Declaration

An individual who has not previously owned a home cannot claim to be a "first-time home purchaser" if his or her spouse owned a home while being the spouse of the individual. If the spouse of the individual owned a home previously, but sold it prior to becoming the individual's spouse, the spouse must sign the "Spousal Declaration". In addition to claiming a refund of land transfer tax in proportion to the interest in land acquired by himself/herself, a "first-time home purchaser" may also claim a refund with respect to the interest acquired by his/her spouse (who previously owned a qualifying home prior to the time he or she became the spouse of the purchaser and sold the eligible home prior to becoming the spouse).

# **Spousal Definition**

For land transfer tax purposes, "spouse" is defined as in s.29 of the Family Law Act. "Spouse" means:

- either of two persons who are married to each other, and also includes
- either of two persons who have continuously cohabited for a period of not less than three years, or for a shorter period of time if they are the natural or adoptive parents of a child.

# **Enquiries**

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These instructions are intended to assist you in the completion of the Affidavit and do not replace the law under which the Land Transfer Tax Refund is administered; nor do they constitute a legal interpretation of the provisions of the *Land Transfer Tax Act* and the regulations made thereunder.