

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE 2026 EXEMPTION
APPLICATION AND QUESTIONNAIRE**

Please read the following carefully to qualify for the 2026 Solid Waste Exemption. The solid waste account holder of an active residential account must provide the following information. •

1. Proof of their and any other household member's social security, SSI disability, retirement, pension or other forms of income.
2. A copy of the solid waste account holder's driver's license or picture identification.
3. Three consecutive months of each household member's checking and/or savings account statement.
4. The original notarized 2026 Washington County Solid Waste Exemption Affidavit and Application.
5. Completed Washington County Solid Waste Questionnaire.

All completed applications along with all accompanying documentation must be submitted in original form to the Washington County Solid Waste Disposal Authority located at 25 Court Street, Chatom, Alabama or by mail to the following address:

Washington County Solid
Waste Disposal Authority
P.O. Box 478
Chatom, AL 36518

All applications must be received in the Solid Waste office or postmarked no later than Wednesday, November 30, 2025. No exceptions will be allowed.

Additional information may be needed to process your exemption application. If additional information is needed, you will be notified what additional information to provide and allowed 10 business days to submit said information.

If you should have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the Solid Waste office at (251) 847-2642.

**2026 WASHINGTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
EXEMPTION AFFIDAVIT AND APPLICATION**

My full name is: _____

I reside at: _____

I make this affidavit in aid of my application for an exemption from the payment of fees for solid waste collection for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026

I understand that under the terms of Code of Alabama 1975, § 22-27-3(a)(2) and (3):

The local health officer is authorized to accept exemption requests and proof of income from households seeking the exemption and forward same to the solid waste officer or municipal governing body. The applicants shall verify income through this notarized and sworn statement and attach supporting documentation. The exemption shall apply only so long as the household's sole source of income is social security and shall be requested no later than the first billing date of each year in which the exemption is desired.

I certify that neither I nor any person living in my home is receiving or eligible to receive:

- a. Any income from being employed in any capacity, or as a contractor, including part-time employment or contract work.
- b. Any income from any source whatsoever other than Social Security or SSI benefits.
- c. Any unemployment compensation benefits, taxable disability benefits (other than SSI payments), or retirement benefits (other than Social Security benefits), such as IRS or Keogh Plans, from any source whatsoever.
- d. Any income from trusts or investments of any kind, including but not limited to income from savings accounts, certificates of deposit, rental income, stocks, bonds, mortgages, mutual funds, investment plans, or annuities.
- e. Any alimony payments for my benefits or the benefit of any member of my household.

I further certify that in filing this application for exemption I understand that if it is later discovered that I or any persons living in my home are receiving any income in excess of Social Security or SSI benefits, that I can be charged with violating the laws, rules and regulations relating to the disposal of solid waste in Washington County, Alabama, and thereafter compelled to pay all fees which I would have otherwise been required to pay during the period of my exemption.

I further certify that I understand that:

- a. I must apply for this exemption annually before November 30th of each year,
- b. That this exemption shall not become effective until approved in writing by a duly authorized officer of the Washington County Solid Waste Disposal Authority,
- c. That this application is being executed by me under oath as an inducement to grant me an exemption, and
- d. That I may be called upon to produce other proof of my eligibility or continued eligibility for this exemption and any time either before or after the execution of this application.
- e. That I have an active residential solid waste account in Washington County in my name.

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name of Applicant

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____ 2025

Notary Public: _____ My Commission Expires: _

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Act #: _____ Additional Info. Requested _____ Exemption Granted: YES__ NO__

Signature of Duly Authorized Agent: _____ Date: _____