# Quick Reference Guide for Vermont Property Transfer Tax Return - Form PTT-172

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#### Line E1

### **Property transfer tax exemptions**

- 00 None not exempt
- **01** Recorded prior to January 1, 1968
- **02** Transfers to USA, Vermont, or any of their instrumentalities
- 03 Directly to obligee to secure a debt
- **04** To confirm or correct a previously recorded transfer
- **05** Immediate family (spouse, child, grandparent), self, or trust to benefit immediate family
- 06 Transfers to effectuate a mere change of identity or form of ownership or organization where there is no change in beneficial ownership
- 07 Directly to obligor when debt is satisfied
- 08 Transfers of partition
- **09** Mergers or consolidations of corporations with no gain or loss recognized; dissolutions
- 10 Subsidiary corporation to its parent corporation for no consideration
- 11 To a corporation as the initial capitalization with no gain or loss recognized
- 12 To or by the Vermont Industrial Development Authority or a non-profit local development corporation
- 13 To a 501(c)(3) or a wholly owned 501(c)(2) subsidiary, to preserve farmland or open space public support test § 509(a)(1) (Deferred tax)
- 14 To a 501(c)(3) or a wholly owned 501(c)(2) subsidiary, to preserve farmland or open space public support test § 509(a)(2)

- 15 To a partnership or LLC as the initial capitalization with no gain or loss recognized
- **16** By a partnership or LLC to a member at dissolution
- 17 Utility line easement to public utility or municipality for \$500 or less
- 18 Between obligor and primary obligee in foreclosure
- 19 Court-ordered transfer to spouse in divorce
- **20** To a limited equity cooperative to provide low or moderate income housing
- 21 Leasehold or fee interests made to low income individuals by 501(c)(3) organizations
- 22 Recording of deed when same transfer was previously taxed
- 23 To 501(c)(3) to (a) acquire property for low-income housing; (b) operate statewide public television station; or (c) act as a food clearinghouse to reduce hunger in Vermont
- 24 Lease of land for less than 50 years including extensions
- 99 Buyer's principal residence funded in part by Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund; Vermont Housing Finance Agency (VHFA); or U.S. Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (Only first \$110,000 is exempt)

#### Line E2

## Sale between family members

- 01 Married / Civil Union
- 03 Grandparent / Grandchild

02 Parent / Child

**04** Self / Donors Exempt Trust

#### 05 Other (explain on Line E2a)

#### Line E3

### Land gains exemptions

- **00** None not exempt
- **01** Sale or transfer falls outside the definition of land
- **02** Held by Transferor for 6 years or longer
- **03** Transfer without consideration (gift, straw transfer by corrective deed)
- **04** Up to 10 acres of land beneath or contiguous to principal residence of Transferor
- **05** Court-ordered transfer to spouse in divorce
- **06** Transfer to mortgagee in foreclosure or in lieu of foreclosure no gain
- 07 To State of Vermont from 501(c)(3); to 501(c)(3) to preserve agricultural, forestry, or open-space land for at least 6 years; or to State of Vermont,

- municipality, or 501(c)(3) to preserve historic, agricultural, forestry, or open space resources
- **08** Land owned by United States, State of Vermont, or 501(c)(3) provided sale is exempt from federal income taxation
- **09** Leases of land for less than 50 years
- 10 Mineral rights for limited time; sale of gravel, soil, or similar
- 11 Sale of perpetual easement for \$1.00 or less
- 12 Mobile home park to a mobile home park leaseholders' group
- 13 Transfer of land in a Vermont neighborhood or neighborhood development area, a downtown development district, a village center, a growth center, or a new town center development district

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Line F1	How acquired			
01	Transferor purchased the property	•	Transferor was gifted the property	
	Transferor inherited the property		Other (explain on Line F1a)	
Line F2	F2 Interest in property			
01	Fee simple		Timeshare	
02	Life estate	06	Undivided ½ interest	
03	Easement / ROW	07	Specified % interest (explain on Line F2a)	
04	Lease	08	Other (explain on Line F2a)	
Line F3	Type of building construction			
01	None	11	Restaurant	
02	Single family dwelling	12	Gas station / garage	
03	Seasonal dwelling	13	Auto sales	
04	Mobile home	14	Factory	
05	Condominium (explain on Line F3a)	15	Hotel / motel	
06	Multi family (explain on Line F3b)	16	School / dorm	
07	Farm buildings	17	Parking area	
08	Residential new construction	18	Cell tower	
09	Office buildings	19	Church / religious	
10	Store	20	Other (explain on Line F3c)	
Lines H1	& H2	Use of property		
01	Domicile / principal residence	06	Government use	
	Secondary residence	07	Commercial (explain on Lines H1a and/or H2a)	
03	Open land	08	Industrial (explain on Lines H1a and/or H2a)	
04	Timberland	09		
05	Operating farm		,	
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## Line I2

## Withholding certification

- **01** Under penalties of perjury, the transferor(s) certify that at the time of transfer, each transferor was a resident of Vermont or an estate.
- 02 Transferee(s) certify that this is a transfer without consideration (see instructions for Form RW-171).
- **03** Transferor is a mortgagor conveying the mortgaged property to a mortgagee in a foreclosure or transfer in lieu of foreclosure with no additional consideration.
- O4 Transferee(s) certify that a withholding certificate was obtained from the Commissioner of Taxes in advance of this sale and the number the Commissioner assigned to that certificate will be provided on the following line of this return. The transferee understands by claiming this exemption if the certificate number is not provided, they may be billed for lack of withholding.
- **05** Pending Certification.