

Befreiung von der Hundesteuer beantragen

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Would you like to obtain a dog tax exemption?

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Basic information

Exemption from dog tax is possible under certain conditions.

Requirements

Dog tax exemption is granted for the keeping of:

(§ 6 paragraph 1 Dog Tax Act)

1. Guide dogs for the blind
2. Dogs that are required exclusively for the protection and assistance of blind, deaf or helpless persons within the meaning of the law on severely disabled persons.

3. Service dogs belonging to legal entities under public law whose maintenance costs are predominantly covered by public funds.
4. Dogs that are required exclusively for scientific purposes by recognized scientific institutes or laboratories.
5. ambulance or rescue dogs belonging to recognized medical or civil protection units if they are required for civil protection purposes
6. dogs that are temporarily housed in animal welfare facilities and are not allowed on the street
7. Dogs that are permanently kept on board inland waterway vessels

Furthermore, dogs that are adopted from the Bremen animal shelter are granted a tax exemption for one year upon application.

What documents do I need?

- Severely disabled pass for so-called assistance dogs

Photocopy of the severely disabled person's pass, in which the characteristic "H" (= helpless), "aG" (= exceptional disability) or "B" (=accompanying person when using public transport) must be entered.

- Photocopy of the companion dog test and performance booklet of the Federal Association for Rescue Dogs for so-called rescue dogs
- Copy of the admission contract for dogs from the Bremen animal shelter

When purchasing a dog from the Bremen animal shelter we need a copy of the admission contract.

Procedure

Applications must be submitted informally.

Legal bases

- [Hundesteuergesetz in der Fassung vom 17. Dezember 1984](#)

How long does it take to process

3 weeks

What are the costs?

None