701—74.4(435) Reduced tax rate.

74.4(1) *Claimant.* The reduced rate of tax for Iowa residents who were at least 23 years of age on December 31 of the base year shall be computed as provided in Iowa Code subsection 435.22(2). The claimant's name must appear on the title to the home.

74.4(2) *Income.* In determining eligibility for the reduced tax rate, the claimant's income and that of the claimant's spouse shall be the income received during the base year, or the income tax accounting period ending during the base year, and must be less than the indexed amount determined pursuant to Iowa Code section 435.22(2). The base year is the calendar year immediately preceding the year in which the claim is filed.

74.4(3) *Claims.* Claims for the reduced tax rate must be filed with the county treasurer on or before June 1 immediately preceding the fiscal year during which the taxes are due. The county treasurer may extend the time for filing a claim for reduced tax rate through September 30 of the same year. The director of revenue may also extend the time for filing a claim through December 31 if good cause exists. Late reduced tax rate claims will be reimbursed by the director directly to the claimant upon proof of tax payment. The claimant must own and occupy the home at the time the claim for credit is filed or, if deceased, at the time of the claimant's death or, if a late claim, on June 1 of the claim year. The claim forms shall be provided by the department of revenue.

74.4(4) *Reports to department of revenue.* On or before November 15 of each year, the county treasurer of each county shall report to the department of revenue the amount of taxes not to be collected for the current fiscal year as a result of the reduced tax rate provided in Iowa Code subsection 435.22(2). All reports shall be made on forms provided by the department of revenue.

74.4(5) *Payment of claims.* On December 15 of each year the department of revenue shall remit to each county treasurer an amount equal to the taxes not collected during the current fiscal year as a result of the granting of the reduced tax rate.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 435.22 as amended by 1999 Iowa Acts, chapter 152, and is effective for reduced tax rate claims filed on or after January 1, 2000.