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Section 31.032 of the Texas Property Tax Code allows citizens in declared disaster areas to pay their residence homestead 2008 property tax payments in installments.

This applies only to a taxpayer's RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD located in the disaster area. Taxpayer's must notify the tax office in writing of their intention to pay their 2008 tax payments in installments due to disaster declaration of their area.

To qualify for the disaster relief **all** of the requirements below must be met.

- 1) Written notification to the tax office and the first Installment Payment must be submitted by January 31, 2009 to qualify
- 2) The installment payment must be at least 1/4th of the 2008 total tax amount due.
- 3) The 2nd, 3rd and 4th installment payments are due as follows:
 - 2nd installment due by March 31, 2009
 - 3rd installment due by May 31, 2009
 - 4th installment due by July 31, 2009
- 4) If the 2nd, 3rd, or 4th installment is paid after the required date the installment amount is considered delinquent and accrues penalty and interest.