

## INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NUMBER OF EXEMPTIONS**—Do not claim more than the correct number of exemptions. However, if you have unusually large amounts of itemized deductions, you may claim additional exemptions to avoid excess withholding. You may also claim an additional exemption if you will be a member of the Kentucky National Guard at the end of the year. If you expect to owe more income tax for the year than will be withheld, you may increase the withholding by claiming a smaller number of exemptions or you may enter into an agreement with your employer to have additional amounts withheld. If you claim more than 10 exemptions this information is sent to the Department of Revenue.

**2. CHANGES IN EXEMPTIONS**—You may file a new certificate at any time if the number of your exemptions **INCREASES**.

You must file a new certificate within 10 days if the number of exemptions previously claimed by you **DECREASES** for any of the following reasons.

(a) You are divorced or legally separated from your spouse for whom you have been claiming an exemption or your spouse claims his or her own exemption on a separate certificate.

(b) The support of a dependent for whom you claimed exemption is taken over by someone else, so that you no longer expect to furnish more than half the support for the year.

(c) Your itemized deductions substantially decrease and a Form K-4A has previously been filed.

**OTHER DECREASES** in exemption, such as the death of a spouse or a dependent, do not affect your withholding until the next year, but require the filing of a new certificate by December 1 of the year in which they occur.

**3. DEPENDENTS**—To qualify as your dependent (line 4 on reverse), a person (a) must receive more than one-half of his or her support from you for the year, and (b) must not be claimed as an exemption by such person's spouse, and (c) must be a citizen of the United States, or a resident of the United States, Canada, or Mexico, or (d) must have lived with you for the entire year as a member of your household or be related to you as follows:

- your child, stepchild, legally adopted child, foster child (if he lived in your home as a member of the family for the entire year), grandchild, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law;
- your father, mother, or ancestor of either, stepfather, stepmother, father-in-law, or mother-in-law;
- your brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law;
- your uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece (but only if related by blood).

**4. PENALTIES**—Penalties are imposed for willfully supplying false information or willful failure to supply information which would reduce the withholding exemption.