

# EXEMPTIONS FROM THE ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS

The following is a list of assets that may be exempt from levy on a judgment.

Exemptions are found in the United States Code (**USC**) and in the California codes, primarily the Code of Civil Procedure (**CCP**).

Because of periodic changes in the law, the list may not include all exemptions that apply in your case. The exemptions may not apply in full or under all circumstances. Some are not available after a certain period of time. You or your attorney should read the statutes.

If you believe the assets that are being levied on are exempt, file a claim of exemption form, which you can get from the levying officer.

**AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS:** A list of the amounts of exemptions from a judgment under CCP § 703.150 starting on April 1, 2004, is available from the clerk of the court and on the California Courts Web site at [www.courtinfo.ca.gov](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov). Except as otherwise provided, the dollar amounts of the exemptions will be adjusted thereafter at three-year intervals on April 1, and the adjusted amounts will become effective immediately on that date.

<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>Code and Section</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>Code and Section</u>
Accounts <i>(See Deposit Accounts)</i>		Benefit Payments <i>(cont.)</i>	
Appliances .....	CCP § 704.020	Relocation Benefits .....	CCP § 704.180
Art and Heirlooms .....	CCP § 704.040	Retirement Benefits and Contributions:	
Automobiles .....	CCP § 704.010	Private .....	CCP § 704.115
BART District Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Public .....	CCP § 704.110
	Pub Util C § 28896	Segregated Benefit Funds ...	Ins C § 10498.5
Benefit Payments:		Social Security Benefits .....	42 USC § 407
BART District Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Strike Benefits .....	CCP § 704.120
Charity .....	Pub Util C § 28896	Transit District Retirement Benefits (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties) .....	CCP § 704.110
Civil Service Retirement Benefits (Federal) .....	5 USC § 8346	Unemployment Benefits and Contributions .....	Pub Util C § 25337
County Employees Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Veterans Benefits .....	CCP § 704.120
Disability Insurance Benefits ....	Govt C § 31452	Veterans Medal of Honor Benefits .....	38 USC § 3101
Fire Service Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Welfare Payments .....	38 USC § 562
Fraternal Organization Funds Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Workers Compensation .....	CCP § 704.170
Health Insurance Benefits .....	Govt C § 32210	Boats .....	Welf & I C § 17409
Irrigation System Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Books .....	CCP § 704.160
Judges Survivors Benefits (Federal) .....	CCP § 704.170	Building Materials (Residential) ....	CCP § 704.060
Legislators Retirement Benefits .....	28 USC § 376(n)	Business:	CCP § 704.710
Life Insurance Benefits:		Licenses .....	CCP § 704.060
Group .....	CCP § 704.100	Tools of Trade .....	CCP § 699.720(a)(1)
Individual .....	CCP § 704.100	Cars and Trucks (including proceeds) .....	CCP § 704.060
Lighthouse Keepers Widows Benefits .....	33 USC § 775	Cash .....	CCP § 704.070
Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation or Benefits ....	33 USC § 916	Cemeteries:	
Military Benefits:		Land Proceeds .....	Health & SC § 7925
Retirement .....	10 USC § 1440	Plots .....	CCP § 704.200
Survivors .....	10 USC § 1450	Charity .....	CCP § 704.170
Municipal Utility District Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Claims, Actions and Awards:	
Peace Officers Retirement Benefits .....	Pub Util C § 12337	Personal Injury .....	CCP § 704.140
Pension Plans (and Death Benefits):		Worker's Compensation .....	CCP § 704.160
Private .....	CCP § 704.115	Wrongful Death .....	CCP § 704.150
Public .....	CCP § 704.110	Clothing .....	CCP § 704.020
Public Assistance .....	CCP § 704.170	Condemnation Proceeds .....	CCP § 704.720(b)
	Welf & I C § 17409	County Employees Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110
		Damages <i>(See Personal Injury and Wrongful Death)</i>	Govt C § 31452
		Deposit Accounts:	
		Escrow or Trust Funds .....	Fin C § 17410
		Social Security Direct Deposits .....	CCP § 704.080

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<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>Code and Section</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>Code and Section</u>
Direct Deposit Account:		Municipal Utility District	
Social Security .....	CCP § 704.080	Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110
Disability Insurance Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Peace Officers Retirement	Pub Util C § 12337
Dwelling House .....	CCP § 704.740	Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110
Earnings .....	CCP § 704.070	Pension Plans:	Govt C § 31913
	CCP § 706.050	Private .....	CCP § 704.115
	15 USC § 1673(a)	Public .....	CCP § 704.110
Educational Grant .....	Ed C § 21116	Personal Effects .....	CCP § 704.020
Employment Bonds .....	Lab C § 404	Personal Injury Actions	
Financial Assistance:		or Damages .....	CCP § 704.140
Charity .....	CCP § 704.170	Prisoner's Funds .....	CCP § 704.090
Public Assistance .....	CCP § 704.170	Property Not Subject to	
	Welf & I C § 17409	Enforcement of Money	
Student Aid .....	CCP § 704.190	Judgments .....	CCP § 704.210
Welfare (See Public		Prosthetic and Orthopedic	
Assistance)		Devices .....	CCP § 704.050
Fire Service Retirement .....	CCP § 704.110	Provisions (for Residence) .....	CCP § 704.020
	Govt C § 32210	Public Assistance .....	CCP § 704.170
Fraternal Organizations		Public Employees:	Welf & I C § 17409
Funds and Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Death Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110
	CCP § 704.170	Pension .....	CCP § 704.110
Fuel for Residence .....	CCP § 704.020	Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110
Furniture .....	CCP § 704.020	Vacation Credits .....	CCP § 704.113
General Assignment for		Railroad Retirement Benefits .....	45 USC § 2281
Benefit of Creditors .....	CCP § 1801	Railroad Unemployment	
Health Aids .....	CCP § 704.050	Insurance .....	45 USC § 352(e)
Health Insurance Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Relocation Benefits .....	CCP § 704.180
Home:		Retirement Benefits and	
Building Materials .....	CCP § 704.030	Contributions:	
Dwelling House .....	CCP § 704.740	Private .....	CCP § 704.115
Homestead .....	CCP § 704.720	Public .....	CCP § 704.110
	CCP § 704.730	Segregated Benefit Funds .....	Ins C § 10498.5
Housetrailer .....	CCP § 704.710	Servicemembers Property .....	Ins C § 10498.6
Mobilehome .....	CCP § 704.710	Social Security .....	50 USC § 523(b)
Homestead .....	CCP § 704.720	Social Security Direct Deposit	42 USC § 407
	CCP § 704.730	Account .....	CCP § 704.080
Household Furnishings .....	CCP § 704.020	Strike Benefits .....	CCP § 704.120
Insurance:		Student Aid .....	CCP § 704.190
Disability Insurance .....	CCP § 704.130	Tools of Trade .....	CCP § 704.060
Fraternal Benefit Society .....	CCP § 704.110	Transit District Retirement	
Group Life .....	CCP § 704.100	Benefits (Alameda and Contra	
Health Insurance Benefits .....	CCP § 704.130	Costa Counties) .....	CCP § 704.110
Individual .....	CCP § 704.100	Travelers Check Sales Proceeds .....	Pub Util C § 25337
Insurance Proceeds—		Unemployment Benefits and	Fin C § 1875
Motor Vehicle .....	CCP § 704.010	Contributions .....	CCP § 704.120
Irrigation System	CCP § 704.040	Uniforms .....	CCP § 704.060
Retirement Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Vacation Credits (Public	
Jewelry .....		Employees) .....	CCP § 704.113
Judges Survivors Benefits		Veterans Benefits .....	38 USC § 3101
(Federal) .....	28 USC § 376(n)	Veterans Medal of Honor	
Legislators Retirement		Benefits .....	38 USC § 562
Benefits .....	CCP § 704.110	Wages .....	CCP § 704.070
	Govt C § 9359.3	Welfare Payments .....	CCP § 706.050
Licenses .....	CCP § 695.060	Welf & I C § 17409	CCP § 706.051
	CCP § 720(a)(1)	Workers Compensation	CCP § 704.170
Lighthouse Keepers Widows		Claims or Awards .....	Welf & I C § 17409
Benefits .....	33 USC § 775	Wrongful Death Actions or	
Longshore and Harbor Workers		Damages .....	CCP § 704.150
Compensation or Benefits .....	33 USC § 916		
Military Benefits:			
Retirement .....	10 USC § 1440		
Survivors .....	10 USC § 1450		
Military Personnel—Property	50 USC § 523(b)		
Motor Vehicle (Including			
Proceeds) .....	CCP § 704.010		
	CCP § 704.060		