

Property which is exempt from seizure on execution
Mass. G.L. Chapter 235 sec. 34, effective April 7, 2011

Property	Old law	New law	C. 235 sec. 34 applic.paragraph
Money for utilities	\$75	\$500	First
Furniture	\$3000	\$15,000	Second
Books	\$200	\$500	Third
Tools used in business	\$500	\$5,000	Fifth
Stock in trade	\$500	\$5,000	Sixth
Provisions for family	\$300	\$600	Seventh
Fishing equipment	\$500	\$1,500	Eighth
Sewing machine	\$200	\$300	Twelfth
One computer & one TV	none	no dollar limit	Twelfth
Rent money	\$200	\$2,500	Fourteenth
Cash or money in a bank account	\$125	\$2500 on any day	Fifteenth
Wages (execution)	\$125	The greater of 85% of gross wages or 50 times min. wage per week. (Currently 50 times min. wage = \$400.)	Fifteenth
Automobile	\$700	\$7,500 wholesale, \$15,000 for disabled or age 60+	Sixteenth
“Wild card”	none	Up to \$6,000 based on certain unused exemptions	Seventeenth
Jewelry	none	\$1,225	Eighteenth