

Town of Pound Ridge

Tel.: 914-764-5511
Fax: 914-764-0102



Landmarks and Historic District Commission

Landmark Designation Criteria

The Commission considers the following factors in assessing landmark status eligibility:

Age: While a building of relatively recent construction but of outstanding architectural or aesthetic value will be considered by the Commission, age will be regarded as a very important factor, especially if it can be documented.

Identification with historical events or persons: Evidence that a building played a significant or unusual part in early community life, or was associated with an event or person of local, regional or national significance, will be considered important.

Extent and integrity of original fabric: The degree to which a building has retained its original configuration, materials, details and features will be considered very important.

Compatibility of alterations and/or additions: The sensitivity and appropriateness of all changes made to the original structure will be considered important, as will attempts to preserve and/or restore the original.

Distinction of design and quality of craftsmanship: Outstanding examples of design distinction and/or the high quality of craftsmanship exhibited in some or all of the building's features will be considered important.

Integral part of group or district: Buildings which are the focal points of proposed districts are to be considered very important. Buildings which are part of a group and which have similar age and character will be considered for inclusion in a district, even if they individually lack significance.

Educational value: The degree to which a building of significance can be seen, occasionally visited, or regularly used by the public will be considered very important.

Other criteria: Other factors to be considered by the Commission are local origin, archaeological interest, typicality of period and/or regional architecture, natural beauty and/or setting, and general condition and maintenance.

Revised March 25, 1997