



Historic Landmarks Commission's Application for Certificate of Appropriateness

104 N King St
PO Box 248 (for mailing)
Shepherdstown, WV 25443

Application # _____

This application is required for any modification of structures within the Shepherdstown Historic District ([map](#)). The purpose of this application is to protect the integrity of the exterior architectural features of structures in the designated Historic District. A review of this application shall be approved or rejected by the Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC). For projects modifying structural square footage, an approved Certificate of Appropriateness is required prior to this being forwarded to the Planning Commission for their review for the issuance of a project permit. Project permits are only valid for one year from the date of issuance.

[Reference Title 9, Section 309.](#)

This form may be filled out digitally or printed and filled out by hand, PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE CLEARLY

Applicant's Name: _____
(Must be Property Owner)

Mailing Address: _____

City State Zip

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____

Street Address of Proposed Work: _____

Lot Number/Legal Description: _____
(if no address exists)

Current Zoning: _____ **Current Land Use:** _____

Note: Reference [zoning map](#) for zoning classifications.

Description of Work:

Project Category: _____
(see descriptions on next page)

Contractor Performing the Work: _____

Contractor's Business License: _____

A copy of the contractor's Shepherdstown business license or license application MUST be attached.

Please reference [Title 9](#) of Town Ordinance for specifics
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Check all the areas that apply:

All Categories

Copy of general contractor's Shepherdstown business license or license application.

Category I **Minor Projects such as awnings, porch railings, window boxes, satellite dishes, solar panels, signs, fences, non-permanent storage sheds and other minor changes**

PHOTOGRAPHS OR DRAWN ELEVATION VIEWS OF THE PROPOSED WORK SITES (clearly labeled), at reasonable scales, of the parts of the structure to be altered (again, clearly labeled in terms of which side of the structure, etc.) are needed

MATERIAL AND COLOR SAMPLES for exterior finishes

Category II **Driveways, decks, carports, porch enclosures and window, roof, or siding replacement**

Category III **New construction of and/or additions to residential, commercial, and industrial structures**

(Categories II and III):

SITE PLAN is required at common engineering (1" = 10' or 1" = 20', etc.) or architectural scales (1/4" = 1' or 1/8" = 1'). Specifically, these drawings shall include: North point, scale, date, property boundaries (lot lines), existing trees and/or significant planting (if work will disturb surroundings), street & parking lighting

Gross & net land area of property

Setback from property boundaries

Existing & proposed topography (only if regrading of the property is required)

Existing & proposed accessory structures.

Existing & proposed street right-of-way & entrance

MATERIAL AND COLOR SAMPLES for exterior finishes

ELEVATIONS, drawings indicating height of proposed structures, materials, and window and door arrangements.

ZONING INFORMATION shall be defined in the application as required:

Dwelling density (residential application only)

Flood plain designation if any (mapping available in Town Hall)

Cost estimates and property appraisals for applications seeking exemptions from Chapter 12- Flood plain provisions.

Category IV **Demolitions or Relocation of a Structure**

Historic designation of structures to be demolished (documents available in Town Hall)

Complete description of structure(s) or part(s) of structure(s) to be demolished.

At least one (1) structural report by a certified structural engineer. Applies to demolition requests for structures fifty (50) years or older.

For relocations, sidewalk and handicap access

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Remedies and penalties

The owner or agent of a building or premises in or upon which a violation of any provision of the Planning and Zoning Title has been committed or shall exist, or the leasee or tenant of an entire building or entire premise in or upon which violation has been committed or shall exist, or the agent, architect, building contractor or any other person who commits, takes part or assists in any violation or who maintains any building or premises in or upon which such violation shall exist, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed one hundred (100) dollars. Each and every day that such violation continues may constitute a separate offense. Reference Title 9, Section 905.

Please read the following paragraph carefully and sign.

Attach all documents specified in the checklist of this application.

I hereby certify that all information herein provided is true and accurate. I hereby authorize the inspection of the above premises by authorized agents of the Shepherdstown Planning Commission at any reasonable time to determine compliance with the Commission's approval. **I UNDERSTAND THAT MY PRESENCE AT THE ASSIGNED APPLICATION REVIEW MEETING IS REQUIRED.** Application must be signed by owner or his/her agent.

Date: _____

Signature: _____
(Owner)

Print Name: _____

For Office Use:

Zoning Officer Comments:

Fee Paid
Date Paid



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Application Fees

Please check all boxes that may apply. Application fees are due upon submittal. Fees should be payable to the Town Treasurer/Clerk and must accompany the application. **If work begins without the required permit, double the cost of said permit will be applied.** Reference Title 9, Section 902 Paragraph XIV.

	<p><u>Category I:</u></p> <p>\$50.00 - Minor projects such as murals, awnings, porch railings, window boxes, satellite dishes, solar panels, gutters & downspouts, patios, sidewalks, hardscaping, signs, fences, storage sheds (not attached to the ground) and other minor changes and permit extensions.</p>
	<p><u>Category II:</u></p> <p>\$100.00 - Window replacement, roof replacement, siding replacement, porch enclosure, driveways, carports, and decks.</p>
	<p><u>Category III:</u></p> <p>\$300 + \$0.50 per sq ft - New construction of and/or additions to residential, commercial, and industrial structures.</p> <p>\$50 + \$0.10 per sq ft - New construction of garages & other accessory buildings (permanently attached to the ground).</p>
	<p><u>Category IV:</u></p> <p>Demolition or Relocation of a Structure: Removal of any building feature(s) or razing of any structure(s) or relocation of a structure to new location. For either project, the applicant must submit the following in writing (in addition to an application):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reason for the demolition/relocation (including historic documentation). • Describe the structure's condition in detail. • Describe the proposed reuse of the site, including full drawings of new structure & landscaping. • Evidence of relevant funding or financial concerns. • Timeframe for project <p>\$50.00 - Accessory Buildings \$150.00 - Non-Contributing Structures (< 50 years old) \$500.00 - Contributing Structures (≥ 50 years old)</p>
	<p>\$15 – Certificate of Appropriateness Fee</p>

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