

EDGARTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
DEMOLITION GUIDELINES

DEMOLITION:

This guideline for requests for demolition for a building or structure within Edgartown's Historic District is intended to protect buildings and structures of interest because of historic significance of persons, associations of events which took place there; historic significance of the architecture, cultural or social history; historically significant architectural history of the building or structure within the area or town.

WHEN MAKING AN APPLICATION TO DEMOLISH A BUILDING OR STRUCTURE WITHIN EDGARTOWN'S HISTORIC DISTRICT, THE APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING, IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR APPLICATION:

1. A demolition plan which indicates the building, or parts of the building, to be razed, including photos of the existing building indicating the areas proposed for demolition and the percentage (%) of the whole that is targeted for demolition.
2. A detailed written history of the building. *Sources for Historical Information may include: MACRIS (mhc-macris.net), Edgartown Assessor's Office, Registry of Deeds, Probate Court, MV Museum, Neighbors and Abutters.
3. A written statement of the reasons for requesting permission for demolition.
4. A plot plan, drawings, plans and a narrative description of the proposed new building or addition.
5. A written time schedule for demolition and proposed construction.
6. If the reasoning for the proposed demolition is based upon the poor condition of the building, a report from a Structural Engineer is required. The commission reserves the right to conduct a peer review of such reports.

Enforcement: Any violation of this guideline shall be subject to the provisions of the Historic District regulations. Penalties may range from \$10 to \$500 per day, from the date of the violation and may include legal action.

Should an application for demolition be approved and a demolition permit issued, construction on the new buildings should begin at once. Should construction be approved for a delay of more than 6 weeks, the applicant will be required to put the area in good order, which may include, grass/sod, fences or other changes to maintain a pleasant aspect of the area.

Applicant _____ Address _____ Map & Lot # _____

I have received a copy of the demolition guidelines.

Signature: _____ date _____
Owner/Agent