

STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES FACT SHEET

Criteria for Listing

Connecticut's State Register includes districts; sites; buildings; structures and objects of national, state or local significance. These resources must possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association and:

- 1. that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to our history and the lives of persons significant in our past; or
- 2. that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or that represent the work of a master; or that possess high artistic values; or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- 3. that have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Methods of Listing

- Properties that were surveyed in 1967-68 state inventory were adopted by the predecessor of the Historic Preservation Council in 1975
- Properties that have been listed on the National Register of Historic Places are automatically listed on the State Register
- Properties included in local historic district or historic property study reports that have received favorable recommendation by the State Historic Preservation Office pursuant to Section 7-147b of the Connecticut General Statutes are listed on the State Register of Historic Places.
- Properties that have been submitted to the Historic Preservation Council for consideration will be listed upon approval.

The State Register DOES

- 1. Identify historically significant buildings structures, sites, objects, and districts according to the State Register Criteria for Evaluation.
- Encourage the preservation of historic properties by documenting the significance of historic properties and by lending support to local preservation activities.
- 3. Enable State and local agencies to consider historic properties in the early stages of planning projects.
- 4. Provide for the review of State-funded or assisted projects which may affect historic properties.
- 5. Make owners of historic properties eligible to apply for State restoration funds.
- 6. Provide for special consideration under State Building and Fire Codes for historic properties.
- 7. Provide for special consideration under the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 8. Provide for review under State Lead Poisoning law for historic properties requiring abatement.

The State Register DOES NOT

- 1. Restrict the rights of private owners in the use or development of private historic property.
- 2. Lead automatically to historic district designation under Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 7-147.
- 3. Force Federal, State, local or private projects to be stopped.
- 4. Provide for review of local or privately funded projects which may affect historic properties.
- 5. Guarantee that grant funds will be available for all significant historic properties.
- 6. Provide automatic tax benefits to owners of historic properties.