

Town of Sandwich

The Oldest Town on Cape Cod



Historic District Committee

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Sandwich, MA 02563
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Application Number: _____

Submission Date: _____

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION

FOR SHED, FENCE, HEDGES, FLAG POLES, ARBORS/TRELLISES, ROOFS, STONE WALLS

Address of proposed work: _____ Map _____ Lot _____

Owner: _____ Phone No. _____

Owner's Mailing Address: _____

Representative: _____ Phone No. _____

Representative's Mailing Address: _____

Project Definition (Check all that apply)

Buildings: New Building _____ Existing Building Alteration and/or addition _____

Other: Fence _____ Wall _____ Shed _____ Paving _____ Other _____

Painting: Painting of existing building, structure or sign _____

Description of Proposed Project (Include all changes to existing structures, use separate sheet if necessary)

Exemption Qualifications: (Check all that apply)

_____ Project is not visible from a 'way' or 'public place' as defined (page 5) in the Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission, 'Bulletin' Section 3:04

_____ Project is as included in the Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission, 'Bulletin' Section 3:04

Submissions: Please see 'Submission Requirements for Various Types of Projects' and refer to 'Notes Regarding Submission Requirements for Various Types of Projects' included. Forms/Information attached - check all that apply:

COE _____ Shed Spec _____ Plot Plan _____ Elevation Drawings _____

Manufacturer Photos (brochure) _____ Existing Photos _____ Rep. Form _____

Owner/Representative Signature _____ Date _____

**This Certificate of Exemption will expire 1 year from Committee Approval Date.
If you wish to apply for a one-year extension, you must file a request prior to the Expiration Date.**

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Sheds

Qualifications for Exemption

1. If your shed qualifies for an exemption, the submission must include the following forms:
Application for Certificate of Exemption, Shed Specification Sheet, Photos
 - a. **SIZE** - No more than 120 square feet in floor area and no more than 12 feet in height to ridgeline.
 - b. **ROOF PITCH** - The roof must have at least a 7/12 pitch. The roof must rise at least 7 inches for every 12 inches of run or match the roof pitch of the existing house.
 - c. **ROOF MATERIAL** - Asphalt or wood shingles. If asphalt shingles are used, they should match the roof color of the house.
 - d. **SIDING** - Clapboards and/or cedar shingles are preferred. Texture 1-11 is not acceptable.
 - e. **DOORS and WINDOWS** - At least one door and one proportional window.
 - f. **COLOR** - Natural (unpainted), white, light gray or a color matching the existing house.

**For more detailed information, please refer to the
Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission,
'Bulletin'**

The Commission has established the following list of features as eligible for a Certificate of Exemption:

(a.) Fences: Wooden fences, not higher than 4 feet, may be allowed, as an exempt item, if appropriate for the site and associated structure, provided the finished side of the fence faces out from the fenced area, in the following styles:

1. Split, half round or round post & rail in natural (unpainted) finish.
2. Square rail in white or natural (unpainted) finish.
3. Vertical picket in white finish or natural (unpainted) finish.
4. Vertical flat board with cap rail 4-6 inches wide in natural or white Finish.

(Site plan must be submitted)

(b.) Hedges: Natural, not to exceed four feet in height.

(Site plan must be submitted)

(c.) Flag Poles: A freestanding flag pole on a residential property may be allowed, as an exempt item, provided it is not over 25 feet in height, not less than 20 feet from a way, constructed of wood in natural finish or white or constructed of aluminum or fiberglass in a white finish.

(Site plan must be submitted)

(d.) Arbors and Trellises: A single arbor or trellis of lightweight, wooden construction may be allowed if not over nine feet high.

(Site plan must be submitted)

(e.) Roofs: Architectural wood-style asphalt roof shingles (black, gray or weatherwood) and natural wooden cedar only may be allowed, as an exempt item, if consistent with the style and color of the building, and not over 5-inch exposure to the weather.

(Sample must be submitted)

(f.) Stone Walls: Construction of natural fieldstone and not exceeding 30 inches in height.

(Site plan must be submitted)