



## Criteria for Designation: 26.415.030.B of the Aspen Municipal Code

B. **Criteria.** To be eligible for designation on the Aspen Inventory of Historic Landmark Sites and Structures, an individual building, site, structure or object or a collection of buildings, sites, structures or objects must have a demonstrated quality of significance. The significance of properties will be evaluated according to the following criteria. When designating an historic district, the majority of the contributing resources in the district must meet the criteria described below:

Scoring sheets are used to determine if a property has an acceptable level of “integrity.”

Findings on the criteria are based on guidance from the National Register bulletins and historic context papers that are written locally.

1. A property or district is deemed significant for its antiquity, in that it is:
  - a. In whole or in part more than one hundred (100) years old, and
  - b. It possesses an appropriate degree of integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship and association, given its age; or
  
2. A property or district is deemed significant as a representation of Aspen's 20th Century history, was constructed in whole or in part more than thirty (30) years prior → to the year in which the application for designation is being made, possesses sufficient integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship and association and is related to one (1) or more of the following:
  - a. An event, pattern or trend that has made a significant contribution to local, state, regional or national history,
  - b. People whose specific contribution to local, state, regional or national history is deemed important and the specific contribution is identified and documented, or
  - c. A physical design that embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction or represents the technical or aesthetic achievements of a recognized designer, craftsman or design philosophy that is deemed important.
  
3. A property that was constructed less than thirty (30) years prior to the year in which the application for designation is being made may be considered under Paragraph 2 above, if the application has been filed by the owner of the property at the time of designation or, when designating an historic district, the majority of the contributing resources in the district meet the thirty-year age criterion described above.
  
4. The construction date of a property shall be established by the date of issuance of the earliest building permit for the subject structure found in the records of the Community Development Department. If there are no building permit records available, the building shall be assumed to be, in whole or in part, at least thirty (30) years old.
  
5. The Historic Preservation Commission shall adopt, maintain and make available to the public guidelines, score sheets and other devices used by the Commission to apply the criteria set forth in this Chapter to properties potentially eligible for inclusion on the inventory.