

What is the National Register of Historic Places?

The Nation's official list of cultural resources, the National Register, is administered by the National Park Service. It is a program to coordinate private and public efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect historic and archeological resources. Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the Register includes historic districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that are significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture.

Learn more about the
National Register of Historic Places
at: www.nps.gov/nr

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REFERENCE FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES



Villard Street looking west, Dickinson, North Dakota

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*Listing does **not**...*

...require an owner to allow public access to their property.

...place restrictions on a property owner regarding use, maintenance, or alterations to the property. Encourages, but does **not** require, the owner to provide continual maintenance of their property.

...require any government entity to restrict the use of the property [although local ordinances may require architectural review or review by a local historic preservation commission].

...require any government entity to maintain the property, nor to provide funds for restoration and preservation [although funds **may** be available through grants or tax credits].

...require federal or state review of proposed alterations **unless** federal money is being used to fund the project.

...affect the use or sale of the property.

...require any government entity to purchase the property, nor does it require owners to sign away any development or other rights of ownership.

A property **cannot** be added to the National Register if the property owner objects prior to its listing. Being added to the Register does **not** protect a building from alteration or demolition from future property owners.

Listing does...

...provide **honorary recognition** of a property's significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, or culture, but does not restrict owner rights.

...provide a **tool** for local planning, development, tourism, and education.

...provide some **protection** to historic properties from federally-funded, licensed, or assisted projects.

...provide the owner of an *income-producing* property (commercial, industrial, or rental) the opportunity to **receive federal investment tax credits** of up to 20% of costs for a certified rehabilitation.

...provide the owner the opportunity to apply for matching **grant-in-aid funds** for restoration, when such funds are available.

...allow the owner to **receive technical assistance** from their state's historic preservation office regarding the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation for maintenance and rehabilitation or restoration of the historic property.

www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/tax/rehabstandards.htm

The National Register's criteria are designed to guide state and local governments, federal agencies, and others in evaluating potential entries in the Register.

Find help evaluating and documenting the significance of the range of diverse historic places with the National Register bulletin series:

www.nps.gov/history/nr/publications/bulletins.htm

Resources

Local:

Historic Preservationist
City of Dickinson
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701-456-6225
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State:

State Historic Preservation Office
State Historical Society of North Dakota
612 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505
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www.nd.gov/hist/hp/hpIndex.htm

Federal:

National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
www.nps.gov/nr

National Park Service Preservation Briefs
www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/briefs/presbhom.htm

The preservation briefs are publications, available as free downloads, on how to care for historic properties and materials.