

SECTION 3: ROOFS.

3.1 Roofs - Standards

- 1) Preserve or restore original and significant later roof forms, shapes, and major roof architectural elements such as dormers, gables, chimneys, and eave overhangs. It is not appropriate to make alterations to the front or other primary portions of the roof of a contributing structure if that roof slope can be seen from the public view.
- 2) Preserve, maintain, and repair historic roofing details and materials such as slate, standing-seam metal, and tile wherever possible. Replace in-kind only if necessary due to deterioration or damage.
- 3) New roofing materials should be compatible with either the existing or original roofing material. The new material should match the historic material as closely as possible in color, shape, size, and texture. Asphalt or fiberglass-asphalt shingles are acceptable substitutes for standing-seam tin, wood shingles, or metal shingles, provided the new replacement shingles are of a darker solid color. Barn tin (also known as "five-vee" tin) or coated steel may be used to replace a standing-seam tin roof in new construction.
- 4) Retain historic roof-top features such as ornamental eaves, cornices, rake-boards, dormers, gables, chimneys, finials, cresting, steeples, belfries, cupolas, and railings. These elements all add much to the overall architectural character of a structure. All such original and significant later features should be preserved and restored, rather than removed.
- 5) Contemporary or non-historic roof features should be installed on areas of the roof not seen from the public view or on other secondary roofs. Included are skylights, roof-mounted vents, dormers, chimneys, antennas, and solar collectors. In certain instances, new dormers may be permitted on side or rear elevations if their design is compatible with the building and the roofline.
- 6) Install new gutters without damaging or obscuring architectural features. Gutters of all materials except copper shall have a painted finish. Half-round gutters are appropriate for most contributing properties. Gutters are usually reviewed as a "minor works" item. If installed on a contributing building, the SHPC must review application at SHPC meeting.
- 7) Ridge vents, where needed, should be of the low profile type and should not diminish the original design of the roof or destroy any character-defining architectural details. Other vents, such as gable vents and roof-mounted vents, should be installed so as not to be visible from the public view where possible. In the event that they must be visible, they should be installed to respect the architectural details and character of the subject building.

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