# How does Heritage Register listing differ from Heritage Designation?

Being listed on the Heritage Register is not the same as having a property "Designated" under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Listing a property on the Heritage Register is primarily an administrative process while "Designation" is a legal process.

Unlike "Designation", listing on the Heritage Register does not add any restrictions to renovations made to the interior OR exterior of the building.

Under the Heritage Registry "the owner shall not demolish or remove a building unless the owner gives council or the municipality 60 days notice in writing". For unlisted properties, the city must respond to an application for a demolition permit within 10 days.

Having a property listed on the Heritage Register is generally, and rightly so, a point of pride for property owners.

More information on Brockville's listed and designated properties can also be found at:

www.heritagebrockville.ca

- Heritage Brockville
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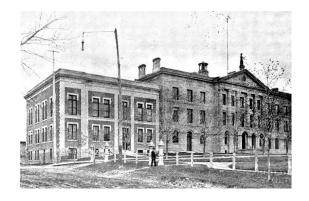
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# Questions and Answers



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### Brockville's Register of Cultural Heritage Properties

#### What is the Heritage Register?

In Ontario, the clerk of every municipality must keep a current, publicly accessible register of properties of cultural heritage value or interest situated in the municipality.

The register is used to identify and document properties that may have cultural heritage value or interest to the community and to encourage their ongoing preservation and enjoyment. The register is updated on an ongoing basis to ensure it remains current and complete.



Example of a registered property in Brockville

151 King St. E

### Why list property on the Heritage Register?

Before a heritage resource can be protected it must first be identified. It is hoped that the register will promote awareness of Brockville's stock of built heritage and cultural resources and encourage property owners to actively participate in heritage preservation.

### Why protect our heritage resources?

The City wants to protect distinctive heritage properties and sites. Heritage resources link the present and the past, enrich our environment, provide special character and identify and generate economic benefits. Protecting them is an important aspect of sustaining and promoting attractive communities and quality of life in Brockville.

## How does the City use the Heritage Register?

The register is a planning and administrative tool used to help manage, promote and coordinate heritage preservation in Brockville.

## How does a property get listed on the Heritage Register?

A volunteer committee, Heritage Brockville, identifies and evaluates candidate properties for inclusion in the register. The City also welcomes candidate suggestions from the general public. The Heritage Brockville committee must then formally recommend each new addition or "listing" to the Heritage Register to Council.

### How are properties evaluated for inclusion in the Heritage Register?

Cultural heritage properties are evaluated using a set of provincially regulated criteria that measure historical, design and contextual heritage value.

Specific elements of the criteria include:

#### **Historical Value**

- associations with a significant person, institution or organization
- associations with a significant event or activity
- represents a significant trend, theme or belief
- contributes to an understanding of a community
- reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist

#### **Architectural Value**

- design, style, materials or construction methods
- craftsmanship or artistic merit
- physical integrity, rarity, aesthetic qualities

#### **Contextual Value**

- landmark
- linked to its surroundings
- important in defining character of an area

If a property is deemed locally significant under even one of these three broad categories, inclusion in the Heritage Register is warranted.