

#### OLD VALUES - NEW HORIZONS SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

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## Application for Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots Pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa

Property Location/Address		
Existing Tax Map Number (Map	o – Block – Lot)	
Property Owner(s)		Property Owner Phone
Property Owner(s)		Property Owner Phone
Property Owner Fax	Property Owner Email _	
Property Owner Mailing Address		
Agent (If different from Propert	y Owner)	
Agent Phone	Agent Email	
Agent Phone	Agent Mailing Address _	

#### Instructions & general information for submitting Application:

In accordance with NH RSA 674:39-aa, any owner of lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing or taxation purposes prior to September 18, 2010 and without the consent of the owner may request that the lots be restored to their pre-merger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the pre-merger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, provided:

- a. The request is submitted to the Windham Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016.
- b. No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.
- c. All decisions of the Board of Selectmen may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.
- **d.** The restoration of the lots to their pre-merger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

The procedure for requesting the Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots is as follows:

1. Complete the Application for Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots per RSA 674:39-aa.

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#### The procedure for requesting the Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots - continued:

- 2. Attach copies of the following documents:
  - a. Most current deed(s) for the lots.
  - b. If property was obtained from an estate (inherited), attach copy of the statutory "Notice to Cities and Towns".
  - c. Copies of any recorded plans or surveys which may depict the "pre-merger" configuration of any lots.
  - d. Unless such information already exists in the town records, if any part of the existing map/lot is improved by a structure, the Applicant must provide a signed & stamped as-built survey which reflects (at a minimum) the following features:
    - (i) The location of all structures, including buildings, pools, fences, etc.
    - (ii) The location of all driveways, walkways and associated features.
    - (iii) The location of all water supply wells.
    - (iv) The approximate location of all septic tanks, leach beds or cesspools.
    - (v) The superimposed lines of the pre-merger lot lines as requested by the Applicant.
  - e. A list of the names and addresses of abutting lot owners in similar manner as required under RSA 676.
  - f. Any other documentation deemed relevant.
- 3. The Selectmen's office shall forward copies of the relevant materials to the Town Assessor and Community Development Department within three (3) days of application receipt for their review and comment.
- 4. The Assessor and Community Development Department shall forward any comments to the Town Administrator within five (5) days of receipt of the materials.
- 5. The Board of Selectmen shall schedule consideration of the Application at a Public Hearing during a regularly scheduled meeting within thirty (30) days of submittal. The Town shall send notice of the Application and the scheduled meeting date to the Applicant and abutting property owners at least seven (7) days before the scheduled meeting.
- 6. At the scheduled meeting, the Selectmen will consider the Application, including recommendation of Town staff, input from abutters and the Applicant(s).
- 7. If upon review by the Board of Selectmen, the Board determines that additional information is required; up to an additional ten (10) days will be provided to produce the additional information.
- 8. Within forty-five (45) days from the date of submission, the Board of Selectmen shall render a decision on the Application at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen.
- 9. Within five (5) business days from the date of the Board of Selectmen's final decision, a copy of the written Notice of Decision shall be sent via regular mail to the Applicant(s) and shall be posted in both the Assessor's and Selectmen's Offices.
- 10. The Notice of Decision shall state that any aggrieved party has the right to appeal the decision of the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 676.
- 11. If the Application has been granted (in whole or in part), the appropriate changes will be noted on the Tax Maps and Assessor records. The Community Development Department will be notified and provided with a copy of the plans approved by the Board of Selectmen and shall make appropriate notations as to the existence of the new lots in its files. The Notice of Decision will be recorded at the Registry of Deeds.

## TOWN OF WINDHAM, N.H.

# <u>APPLICATION FOR RESTORATION OF INVOLUNTARILY MERGED LOTS</u> PURSUANT TO RSA 674:39-aa

The undersigned applicant requests that the Town of Windham, New Hampshire, hereby restore the following parcels of land to their pre-merger status for the purposes of being assessed and treated for regulatory purposes as separate tracts or parcels of land:

Please identify, with reference to an attached recorded plan or survey which the Applicant believes may depict the "premerger" configuration of any lot, and to have existed prior to any "Involuntary Merger" (<u>See</u>, RSA 674:39-aa (I)), which the Applicant(s) wishes to restore to separate assessment.

Recorded Plan Name & Identified as:

Drawn Date:		
Recorded Plan #:		
existing parcel on the Windham Tax Map divided into effective for tax purposes following approval of this A value or supplemental tax liability for the current tax yelots may not conform to existing zoning requirements,	two (2) or Application ear. In ac and that i the parcel	Applicant(s) acknowledges they wish to have an more previously existing parcels. Such action will be a. Such action may result in increased tax assessed ddition, the Applicant(s) understands that the separate f any subsequent request for zoning variance is made was previously part of other premises may affect one riance (e.g., substantial justice).
If granted by the Town, the Notice of Decisio of Deeds.	n and plai	n will be recorded at the Rockingham County Registry
Dated this day of	, 201	•
Owner Signature	<del>-</del> (	Co-Owner Signature
Print Name(s)		
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE ROCKINGHAM, SS.		
Then personally appeared the above named cand deed, before me,	owners and	d acknowledged the forgoing to be his/her/their free act
	Notary Pu	ablic/Justice of the Peace
	My comm	ission expires:

### THE FOLLOWING FEES SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION:

\$50.00

\$6.00 per abutter

Newspaper Notice - \$25.00  Staff Use Only			
Fees received YES/NO	Date of Board of Selectmen Meeting		
Disposition of the Application	n (For use by Selectmen/Assessor)		
	EXISTING PARCEL IDENTIFICATION		
Map – Block – Lot	Street Address of Parcel		
	NEW PARCEL IDENTIFICATION		
Map - Block - Lot	Street Address of Parcel		
Map - Block - Lot	Street Address of Parcel		
Map – Block – Lot	Street Address of Parcel		
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Application Fee -

Abutter Notices -