

Registry and Designation Comparisons

The table below compares Heritage Register with Heritage Designation

	Heritage Register	Heritage Designation
Planning tools available to local governments under the Local Government Act.	✓	✓
Owner retains full right to use and enjoy the property; normal maintenance and upkeep are not affected.	✓	✓
Public is not permitted to trespass on the property against owner's wishes.	✓	✓
May establish eligibility for monetary and non-monetary assistance with preservation. At this time Oak Bay does provide financial incentives, and technical assistance is available from Building and Planning staff.	✓	✓
Property files at Municipal Hall are flagged so that:	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning staff can review proposed changes; and • Potential purchasers can be informed about the heritage status of the property. 		
Adopted by resolution of Council.	✓	✓
A list of properties deemed by Council to have heritage character or value.	✓	
Recognizes the heritage value of a historic place but does not provide permanent legal protection.	✓	
No notice placed on land title.	✓	
A Heritage Alteration Permit is not required for proposed changes. If changes would affect the heritage value of a listed property, staff may temporarily delay issuing permits so that:	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The matter can be referred to Council at its next meeting; and • Options for preservation can be discussed with the owner. 		
Adopted by Bylaw.		✓
A site-specific bylaw that protects the exterior of the building(s) and may also protect associated landscape or interior details that contribute to heritage character or value.		✓
Recognizes heritage value and provides permanent legal protection.		✓
Notice on land title; protection runs with the land.		✓
A Heritage Alteration Permit is required for proposed changes that would affect the heritage value. District Staff would prepare a report to Council outlining the proposed changes and any effects these may have on the heritage value. Council may approve or deny a Heritage Alteration Permit application.		