

Santa Cruz County Code

16.42.060 Development procedures for designated historic resources.

(D) New Construction. Historic resource preservation plans for construction of new structures on historic properties or in historic districts shall conform to the following criteria:

- (1) The location, siting and size of new construction on an historical property shall not detract from the historic character of the property, and between existing buildings, landscape features and open space.
- (2) All structures shall be designed in proportion and integrated into the historic character of the property or district by the use of compatible building materials and textures, construction methods, design, and color.
- (3) The size, location and arrangement of new on-site parking or loading ramps shall be designed so that they are as unobtrusive as possible and preserve the features of the property or district.
- (4) Ingress and egress, and internal traffic circulation shall preserve the historic features of the property.
- (5) Landscaping should be provided in keeping with the character and design of the historic site, property or district.
- (6) Disturbance of terrain around existing buildings or elsewhere on the property should be minimized to reduce the possibility of destroying unknown archaeological materials. Where any proposed land alterations may impact important archaeological resources, a professional archaeological survey shall be provided and its recommendations implemented to mitigate potential impacts as provided for in Chapter [16.40](#) SCCC.