Year Round Use Suggested Evidence

Suggested Evidence to Prove Year-round Residency of a Dwelling in the Seasonal Use Overlay Area before May 21, 1964

The following is a list of suggested items that may be used by the owner or resident of a dwelling in the Seasonal Use Overlay Area to prove that the dwelling was occupied on a year-round basis before May 21, 1964, the date Zoning Regulations were adopted by the Town of North Stonington. If such year-round occupancy is determined, the dwelling may be established as a pre-existing, non-conforming residential use, thereby allowing its year-round use to legally continue.

1. Legal permanent address shown on the Grand List before May 21, 1964. This information may be found in the Office of the Town Clerk.

2. Annual Reports and/or Town Tax List published annually before May 21, 1964. This information may be found in the Office of the Town Clerk.

3. Mailing address of the residence on tax notices before May 21, 1964. This information may be found in the Office of the Tax Collector.

4. Address of the residence on voter registration cards before May 21, 1964. This information may be found in the Office of the Registrar of Voters.

5. Address of the residence on vehicle or boat registrations before May 21, 1964. This information may be obtained from the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles.

6. Indications on land-use records and maps such as the 1966 Comprehensive Plan (Metcalf & Eddy) that indicate year-round use before May 21, 1964. This information may be found in the Office of the Town clerk and Planning and Zoning Commission Office.

7. Address of the residence used for student enrollment or school bus pickup at location before May 21, 1964.

8. Electric bills that indicate year-round occupancy energy consumption at the residence before May 21, 1964.
9. Telephone bills that demonstrate year-round telephone usage at the residence before May 21, 1964.

10. Evidence of home heating fuel procurement at the residence at the rate of year-round occupancy consumption before May 21, 1964.

11. Receipts for service, maintenance or deliveries to the residence on a year-round basis before May 21, 1964.

12. Proof of installation of year-round living appliances or furnishings at the dwelling before May 21, 1964.


14. Personal mail received at this address throughout the year and/or postal records indicating delivery to the address on a year-round basis before May 21, 1964.

15. Other documents attesting to legal year-round occupancy at the dwelling address before May 21, 1964 such as a driver’s license, dog license, bank statements, legal documents, church records, birth records/notices, obituaries, etc.

16. Affidavits from individuals attesting to knowledge that the dwelling was occupied year-round before May 21, 1964.

17. Photographs illustrating year-round occupancy of the dwelling before May 21, 1964.

18. Convincing testimony from relatives, friends, neighbors, or officials attesting to year-round use of the dwelling, such as family events, parties, social gatherings, business meetings, etc.

19. Any other means to determine that the dwelling was lived-in year-round before May 21, 1964.