



## Town of Lexington Historical Commission

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### SUBSTANTIAL DEMOLITION

At a meeting of the Lexington Historical Commission dated January 16, 2019, the Lexington Historical Commission adopted the following definition of “substantial” for purposes of applying the concept of “substantial demolition” contained in the Demolition Delay Bylaw:

The substantial destruction of a building or portion thereof shall mean one or more of the following:

- the removal of a building’s roof or roofing materials or alteration of a roofline
- the removal or alteration of any of the exterior architectural features of a building; (including clapboards or other cladding, exterior moldings and trim, sheathing boards, roofing, or doors, windows and their frames)
- the removal of more than one exterior wall of a building and
- the lifting or relocating of a building on its existing or to another site

This definition was submitted to the Building Inspector shortly following its adoption.