

Condition Assessment Ranking and Priority

Condition Assessment Guidelines

Historic New England uses conditions assessments as an invaluable component of maintenance and project planning for the historic properties and landscapes. Condition assessment guidelines and priority ranking systems allow each property to be assessed in a similar fashion, therefore distributing a more uniform ranking system across the organization.

Condition Assessment Ranking System

- E:** *Missing*
- D:** *Poor*; needing major repairs or replacement to achieve structural and aesthetic integrity.
- C:** *Fair*; needing only minor repairs and or repainting to achieve structural and aesthetic integrity.
- B:** *Good*; requiring hardly or not any improvement to achieve structural and aesthetic integrity. Slight flaws are observable but not greatly impeding function or appreciation of material.
- A:** *Excellent*; Not having any flaw in appearance or structure, as in pristine preservation or recently restored or replaced.

Priority Ranking System

Priority I: Condition meets three or more qualifications.

Priority II: Condition meets two qualifications.

Priority III: Condition meets one qualification.

Check all that apply.

- Condition negatively affects integrity of structure
- Condition and/or subsidiary conditions will undeniably worsen if not addressed
- Condition allows ingress of water
- Condition creates standing water
- Condition threatens safety of occupants or visitors
- Condition has negative impact on users of building or landscape
- Condition impedes access
- Condition affects major architectural or landscape feature
- Condition impedes visual appreciation or interpretation of building or landscape
- Options for treatment of condition could be affected by laws or restrictions in the future