



Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ M/L: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

Case# \_\_\_\_\_

Hearing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESTORATION OF INVOLUNTARILY MERGED LOTS APPLICATION

*In accordance with RSA 674:39-aa, lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes prior to September 18, 2010, shall be restored to their premerger status provided that no owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots.*

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Owner or Agent*

Name of Property Owner, if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Phone #/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent's Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent's Phone #/Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Written permission to represent owner must be submitted with application.*

Address (or location) of Lot/Property to be Unmerged: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide:

- A Copy of the deed for the parcel(s)/lot(s)
- A Copy of any recorded plans or surveys which may depict the premerger configuration of any lots.
- If any part of the existing map/lot is improved by a structure, the applicant must provide a signed and stamped as-built survey which reflects the location of the structure.

**In accordance with RSA 674:39-aa, we have found no evidence of voluntary lot merger.**

Tax Assessor: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature* *Date*

Land Use Manager: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature* *Date*

**REQUEST CERTIFICATION**

I/we hereby verify by signing this application that I/We understand that the restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not cure any non-conformity with existing land use ordinances. It is further understood that the above-described lots shall no longer be assessed as one lot for property tax evaluation purposes.

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signature Date

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signature Date

Agent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Signature Date

By signature below, the Town Clerk hereby confirms that the Application submitted by Applicant and/or Owner to the Bristol Select Board for the restoration of the above referenced property pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa, was approved by vote of \_\_\_\_\_ by the Bristol Select Board at its meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date



## RESTORATION OF INVOLUNTARILY MERGED LOTS INSTRUCTIONS

In accordance with NH RSA 674:39-aa, any owner of lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes prior to September 18, 2010, and without the consent of the owner may request that the lots be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the Grafton County Registry of Deeds, provided:

- a. The request is submitted to the Land Use Manager.
- b. No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.
- c. All decisions of the Select Board may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.
- d. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

The procedure for requesting the Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa is as follows:

1. Complete the Application for Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa. The form must be typed or completed in ink.
2. Attach copies of the following documents:
  - most current deed(s) for the lots
  - survey (if available)
  - if property was obtained from an estate (inherited), attach copy of the statutory "Notice to Cities and Towns"
  - any other documentation that you think is pertinent
3. The Select Board shall consider the request within thirty (30) days of receipt of the completed application.
4. Notice of the Select Board's decision shall be posted in a public place and shall be sent via regular mail to the property owner and the abutting property owners (adjacent to and directly across the street).

If you have any questions, please contact the Land Use Manager at 603-744-3354.