

# Garages and Accessory Structures

Porte cocheres and detached garages are visible expressions of the influence of the automobile on architecture. Porte cocheres are decorative carports attached to the side of the house; and evolved with the rise of the automobile. Over time, porte cocheres have become important historic features. Residential accessory structures such as sheds were less common and more of a feature evolving from the 1950's to the present.

## Guidelines:

1. Repair or replacement of garages and porte cocheres shall match the original.



*Inappropriate: Garage roof is not the same shape as the house*

2. Enlargement of the existing garage shall be compatible to the scale and architecture of the building and maintain the architectural features of the original garage such as maintaining the recessed openings created by the garage doors.
3. Enclosure of a port cochere or garage shall maintain significant architectural features including, the characteristics of original openings and the recessed opening of the garage doors.
4. Accessory structures such as a shed shall be located in the rear yard or the side yard closest to the rear yard.



*Appropriate: Garage is same design and materials as the house, including the second level addition.*