

Wilmot Historical Society Collection Criteria

The purpose of the Wilmot Historical Society (WHS) is to preserve and maintain items related to the history of Wilmot, to promote public education and appreciation of local/regional history, and to foster greater historical awareness among members of the community.

We propose that any item to be collected or retained by the WHS must be significant to the town (but not always limited to Wilmot origin).

All items should be in good condition and/or visually appealing to different audiences.

Some areas of interest important to the collection include, but not limited to:

- Wilmot Businesses/Housekeeping
 - Products
 - Tools necessary to conduct business
 - Signs/advertising
 - Records
 - Transportation
 - Kitchen implements
 - Small farm implements
- Objects of import associated with indigenous, famous (or infamous) Wilmot residents
 - CDs, DVDs (with content printout and associated items)
 - Objects used in the homes of special people
- Documents important to town history
 - Personal documents
 - Town government
 - School records
 - Town-based organizations: Grange, camps, churches, etc.
 - Diaries, account books, journals,
 - Town properties - cemeteries, town pound, buildings
- Events important to town history
 - Performances
 - Celebrations
 - Anniversaries
 - Town Meetings

Although our basic mission has not wavered, our collecting focus has changed several times over the decades. Thus, items no longer accepted for the permanent collection at this time may include:

- Items that require off-site storage
- Clothing and textiles
- Large pieces of furniture
- Vehicles
- Large farm equipment

Another category for donations is items that are suitable for educational purposes or resale by the Curiosity Shop.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to determine which items not included in the above list may be deemed appropriate to the collection.