#### NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

## **Municipal and Property Division**

Equalization Bureau

#### **PROPERTY CODES**

## What are Property Codes?

Property codes classify properties according to the major property types found in New Hampshire. Special property codes can be used to classify specific neighborhoods or unique property characteristics within a single municipality. Not every municipality will have property for each of the listed property types.

## Why are Property Codes Important?

Property codes allow the DRA to prepare a stratified ratio report for the individual stratum (property type or neighborhood) in a municipality. The stratified ratio reports are important for equalization to help determine the representativeness of the sample and to designate sales that may be outliers. For assessment purposes, the stratified ratio reports give a more precise picture of the assessment (i.e., ratios) and equity (i.e., coefficient of dispersion) levels in a municipality and can signal areas of the municipality where adjustments may be needed.

#### **Property Codes**

Insert the Property Code that matches the sale property at the time of the sale. If the sale property is for one type of property and the assessment is for another type of property, provide comments regarding the difference in the town notes section. For example: Land only sale, land and building assessment. The municipal comments are important in determining which assessment should be used to calculate the ratio for an individual sale. A property code must be inserted for each sale.

#### **Modifier Codes**

If there are characteristics that influence the value of the property such as waterfront or view influence, insert the modifier code that applies to the sale. Use the modifier code that influences the actual assessment first, if more than one. A property code must still be inserted even if a modifier code is being inserted.

#### **Special Codes**

If you feel that you have enough sales of a unique type of property not listed above or a special neighborhood and you would like a separate stratified analysis prepared, please contact the Municipal & Property Division, Equalization Bureau and a special code will be assigned. Examples of special codes that have used been used in the past include L/O Condos, Utility Lockers, Camps & Historic Districts.

#### **Classification Codes**

The Assessing Standards Board adopted the following three strata for reviewing municipalities: Improved Residential, Improved Non-residential and Unimproved. Assessment Review codes GC1, GC2 and GC3 have been developed to stratify the sales into three categories. Assessment Review code GC4 is used for all sales that do not fit into the three Assessment Review categories. These codes are not assigned by the municipalities. They are automatically assigned by the DRA as a result of the property codes provided by the municipalities.

#### Who to Contact

All questions or concerns regarding equalization, including the assignment of special codes, should be directed to the Municipal & Property Division, Equalization Bureau at 230-5950.

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*Class		**Classification Code (Assigned by DRA)		
R	Residential	GC1	Improved Residential	
C	Commercial	GC2	Improved Non-Residential	
I	Industrial	GC3	Unimproved	
U	Unknown/Unclassified	GC4	Miscellaneous	

Property Codes	Property Types	Condensed Name	*Class	**Classification Codes
	Improved Residential Land & Building or	Building Only	Codes	1
11	Single Family Home	SFHM	R	GC1
12	Multi-Family 2-4 Units	MFHM	R	GC1
13	Apartment Building 5+ Units	APT5	С	GC1
14	Single Residential Condominium Unit - Even if the unit is part of multi-unit block - Condex	RC1U	R	GC1
15	Residential Condominium 2-4 Unit Building - purchase of multiple units	RC24	R	GC1
16	Residential Condominium 5+ Unit Building - purchase of multiple units	RC5+	С	GC1
17	Manufactured Housing with Land	MHWL	R	GC1
18	Manufactured Housing without Land - RSA 674:31 (metal frame, permanent chassis)	MHNL	R	GC1
19	Unclassified/Unknown Improved Residential - Land/Camper/Camp/Garage Outbuilding	UUIR	U	GC1
20	Building Only - Residential (Land Leased Properties) RSA 674:31-a (Includes pre-site built housing)	RSBO	R	GC1
	Land Only Codes			'
22	Residential Land	RESL	R	GC3
23	Commercial Land	COML	C	GC3
24	Industrial Land	INDL	I	GC3
25	Mixed Use Residential/Commercial Land	RECL	C	GC3
26	Mixed Use Commercial/Industrial Land	CMIL	C	GC3
27	Unclassified/Unknown Land	UUKL	U	GC3
	Non-Residential Land & Buildi	ng Codes		
33	Commercial Land & Building	CMLB	C	GC2
34	Industrial Land & Building		I	GC2
35	35 Mixed Use Residential/Commercial Land & Building		C	GC2
36	6 Mixed Use Commercial/Industrial Land & Building		С	GC2
37	Unclassified/Unknown Non-Residential Land & Building		U	GC2
38	Building Only - Commercial/Non-Residential	NRBO	С	GC2

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Non-Residential Condo Codes							
44	Commercial Condominium	COMC	С	GC2			
45	Industrial Condominium - Airport Hangars	INDC	I	GC2			
46	Unclassified/Unknown Non-Residential Condominium		U	GC2			
	Other Codes						
55	Boatslip Only - Dockominium	BSLP	R	GC4			
56	Condominimized Land Site - Campgrounds	COLS	R	GC4			
57	Unclassified/Unknown Other - Easements	UUOT	U	GC4			
58	Garage/Storage Unit - Condo garage spaces, parking	STUT	R	GC4			
59	Dry Berth	DBTH	R	GC4			

Modifier Codes	Modifier Types	Condensed Name
70	Waterfront	WTRF
71	Water Access	WTRA
72	Island	ISLD
73	Waterfront Influence	WTRI
74	View +	VEW+
75	View-	VEW-
76	Homes with Accessory Dwelling Units	HADU

# **Special Codes**

Special Codes are available at the request of assessing officials for unique property types or neighborhoods.