



How to Find Multnomah County Deed Information

Property address _____

State Identification # _____

Tax Account # _____

When requesting confirmation that a lot is buildable or when applying for Lot Confirmation or Property Line Adjustment Reviews, you may be asked to provide a deed or other proof that each involved property is a “lot” or “lot of record”. A “tax lot”, also referred to as a tax account, may not be a lot or lot of record.

To meet this requirement, a deed (or other instrument) must have been recorded with the County Recorder and must show that the piece of property was legally created before July 26, 1979 (effective date of the State’s land division regulations).

You can research deed records for your property in one of two ways:

1. Multnomah County Recording and Customer Service
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, #175
Portland, OR 97214
(503) 988-3326
2. For a fee, a title company can provide a deed history or title report.

Following are definitions of relevant terms:

Lot Confirmation – Administrative City review process to verify that one or more lots or lots of record have legal status and are eligible for separate ownership and development under the Zoning Code.

Property Line Adjustment – Administrative City review process to relocate a single existing common property line between two abutting lots or lots of records. No additional lots or building sites may be created.

Lot – A legally defined piece of land other than a tract that is the result of a land division. This definition includes the State definition of both lot (result of subdividing), and parcel (result of partitioning).

Lot of Record – A plot of land:

- Which was not created through an approved subdivision or partition;
- Which was created and recorded before July 26, 1979; and
- For which the deed, or other instrument dividing the land, is recorded with the appropriate county recorder.