Citizen's Guide Code Enforcement (302) 855-7819



A reference for citizens seeking information regarding common questions on Code Enforcement. For specific information, please contact the appropriate County office.

1. Property Maintenance (\$100 per violation)

All grass and weeds must not exceed 12 inches in height.

Does not apply to trees, bushes, or ornamental vegetation.

2. Trash | Waste | Debris | Refuse | Tires | Inoperable appliances (\$100 per violation)

Accumulation of refuse, rubbish, trash, inoperable appliances, excess tires or other waste material is prohibited.

3. Parking, storing or maintaining Inoperable Vehicles | Boats | Boat Trailer (\$100 per violation)

More than two unregistered, inoperable or junk cars, trucks, campers, trailers, boats, etc. is prohibited. Storage of a boat or camping trailer is not permitted in the front yard.

The use of a camper/RV or shed as living space is explicitly prohibited.

4. Building Permits (\$100 fine)

All buildings, which includes sheds, fences, pools, additions and other structures of a semi-permanent placement require a building permit issued prior to the construction, installation, alteration, enlargement, or placement of the building or structure. (No permit will be issued for properties found in violation).

Permits may require that plans be submitted and that inspections be performed. (Call: 855-7720)

5. Manufactured Homes (\$100 fine)

Manufactured homes, including single and double-wide, require a placement permit issued prior to the movement of the structure to a site to allow for hook-ups to sewer/septic, water, and electricity from a Power Company. Living in an illegally placed home is a violation of County Code.

Permits may require that plans be submitted and that inspections be performed.

(Call: 855-7720)

6. Animal Control/Dog Licenses

Incidents involving a dog bite or attack, a dangerous dog, an at-large dog, or a barking dog are covered by State Code.

State law requires that all dogs 6 months of age or older must be licensed.

(Call: 302-255-4646)

For More Information Contact:

County Administration	855-7700
Planning and Zoning	855-7878
Building Code	855-7860
Constable's Office	855-7819
Community Development	855-7777
Animal Control	(302) 255-4646