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**Code Violation Process**

**How to Report a Code Violation**  |  Code Violations can be reported by phone, walk-in, or on the Gladstone City website. Reports are anonymous. In all cases, the complete address of the home being reported must be provided. In some cases, the Code Enforcement Officer may need to enter your property to view violations in the backyard of a neighboring property.

**By phone**  |  Code Violations can be phoned in to: Community Development Department  
816-423-4111

**Walk-in**  |  The Community Development Department is located at:  
7010 N Holmes Street  
Gladstone, MO 64118

**Online**  |  Visit the City website at: www.gladstone.mo.us.  
From the Residents drop-down tab, select “Code Violation Request Form”. Complete the form and hit the submit button at the bottom of the page. A member of Community Development will respond to your report within 24 hours.

**How does a complaint get handled**  |  Code Enforcement must provide due process when requiring abatement of violations.

   The Code Enforcement Officer must:
   1. Verify a violation exists.
   2. Issue a written notice to the property owner/resident by letter and/or sign in yard with a compliance date.
   3. If violation exists upon re-inspection, a 2nd notice may be written and/or court summons.
   4. Continued non-compliance may result in a court summons.

**Property Maintenance**

**Composting**  |  Each property may have one covered bin. The maximum size is 600 cubic ft./4’ in length. It must be located in backyard 5’ from any property line.

**House Numbers**  |  The address shall be legible and visible from the street. Address characters shall be a contrasting color from the house. Numbers/letters shall be Arabic and each character shall be not less than 4” high.

**Minimum Housing Standards**  |  All wood, siding, shingles, roof coverings, railings, walls, porches, doors, gutters, windows, screens and any other exterior parts of residential structures must be maintained in weather-tight, rodent proof, sound condition, and in good repair.

**Open Storage**  |  Unsheltered storage of personal property is prohibited. This includes abandoned, discarded or unused objects or equipment of any kind, appliances, vehicle parts, tires, scrap metal, toys in disrepair, furniture and barrels as well as firewood (unless neatly stacked in back yard), and landscaping, lumber or building materials (unless being used in a current project).

**Rubbish/Garbage**  |  All exterior property and premises shall be free from any accumulation of rubbish, garbage, litter and debris that have been thrown away and that are lying on the ground.

**Vehicles**  |  No inoperative or unlicensed vehicles shall be parked, kept, or stored on any premises, except as provided for in other regulations. Vehicle repair of any kind is not allowed, except as provided for in other regulations. Vehicles may not be parked on the grass or block the sidewalk.

**NOTE:** If the vehicle parked on street is inoperable or not currently licensed, call the Traffic Desk (Public Safety) at 423-4048 to report.

**Vehicles for Sale**  |  Only one vehicle may be for sale at any time. Vehicles must be parked on a paved surface. Vehicle sales are limited to four per calendar year.

**Yard Maintenance**  |  Weeds/grass growth should not exceed 7 inches. Diseased or dying trees/shrubs must be removed. Trees/Shrubs/Vegetation may not obstruct the street view or sidewalk. Blowing/raking/dumping leaves or grass clippings into the street, ravine or stream is prohibited. No burning of tree limbs or yard waste is allowed. Poison ivy/oak/sumac/thistles must be removed.

*Non compliance may result in contractor abatement with a tax lien or additional real estate tax placed on the property.*