

GARBAGE, RUBBISH REMOVAL

Owners and occupants of all premises within the City shall:

- Discard garbage and household rubbish in a clean and sanitary way that prevents it from becoming a home for rodents, insect or other pests.
- Store garbage and rubbish in leak-proof, watertight containers with tight-fitting lids. Plastic bags will not keep animals out of the garbage and should not be used for outdoor storage, except on scheduled pick-up days.
- Garbage shall not be stored outdoors on the ground or in utility trailers, pick-up trucks, recreational vehicles, or anything other than approved trash containers.
- Remove garbage/trash at least once each week, or sooner if it creates a nuisance or threatens public health.
- Make arrangements for weekly service with a licensed trash pick-up and removal service to haul away garbage, refuse and rubbish, to include animal waste.
- Deposit no personal or household trash or garbage into public, private, or commercial containers.
- Keep sidewalks, driveways, yards and vacant lots clean and free of litter and garbage.

JUNK REMOVAL AND STORAGE

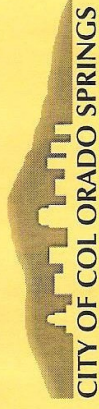
Owners and occupants must store all "junk" inside an enclosed building, or it must be removed from the property.

Junk is defined as, any manufactured goods, appliance, fixture, furniture, machinery, vehicle, personal property or any other thing or part, whether of value or valueless, or demolished, discarded, dismantled, partially dismantled, dilapidated, or so worn, deteriorated or in a condition that it would not be normally usable in its current state for its original manufactured use. This shall include, by way of illustration only and without limitation, wood, used lumber, paper, glass, bottles, rags, rubber, scrap metal, tin cans, scrap material, waste, concrete, rubble, boxes, crates, building materials, or machinery or automobile parts.

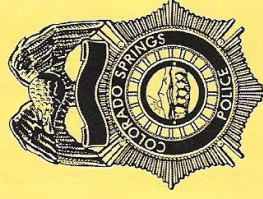
QUICK REFERENCE NUMBERS

<u>Animal Carcass in Street</u>	<u>385-5934</u>
<u>Building Permit Information</u>	<u>327-2880</u>
<u>City of Colorado Springs Information</u>	<u>385-2489</u>
<u>Colorado Division of Housing</u>	<u>303-866-2033</u>
<u>Colorado Springs Police Department</u>	<u>444-7000</u>
CRIME STOPPERS	634-STOP
<u>Division of Wildlife</u>	<u>227-5200</u>
<u>El Paso County Health Department</u>	<u>578-3199</u>
<u>El Paso County Sheriff</u>	<u>390-5555</u>
<u>Environmental Protection Agency</u>	<u>800-227-8917</u>
<u>Graffiti Hotline</u>	<u>634-5713</u>
<u>Home Business Info</u>	<u>385-5982</u>
<u>Humane Society, Animal Welfare & Barking Dogs</u>	<u>473-1741</u>
<u>Neighborhood Justice</u>	<u>520-6016</u>
<u>Neighborhood Watch Info</u>	<u>444-7592</u>
<u>Noise (cars & music)</u>	<u>444-7000</u>
<u>Sidewalk Snow</u>	<u>385-5977</u>
<u>Street Department</u>	<u>385-5934</u>
<u>Street Lights</u>	<u>385-5908</u>
<u>Tree/Shrub/Bush Trimming/Forestry</u>	<u>385-5942</u>
<u>Tree Trimming Power lines</u>	<u>448-4800</u>

The City of Colorado Springs encourages neighbors to become community minded and to join together in providing safe, attractive neighborhoods and sanitary living condition for all citizens. Walk your neighborhood and meet your neighbors! Working together is the key to a successful property maintenance program. The Code Enforcement Unit of the Colorado Springs Police Department invites residents to cooperate with one another in a "neighbor to neighbor" manner to resolve minor problems before contacting them at (719) 444-7891.



Neighborhood Information



Colorado Springs Police
Department
Code Enforcement Unit

444-7891

www.springsgov.com

WHAT IS CODE ENFORCEMENT?

The Code Enforcement Unit of the Colorado Springs Police Department plays an important role in preserving the attractive appearance of neighborhoods in Colorado Springs. Code Enforcement is responsible for the inspection of buildings and properties to ensure safe sanitary living conditions for the residents of the City.

Mission Statement:
Officers are authorized to enter and inspect properties for the purpose of safeguarding the health, safety, and welfare of the occupants and general public. Occupants and/or owners of properties that violate the law are issued a Notice and Order. This is a written description of the code violation and an order to remedy the problem. Refusing access to the property, or failure to comply with the orders issued by a Code Enforcement Officer is unlawful and may result in penalty.

To protect the health, safety and welfare of the city residents by mitigating physical signs of urban blight and social disorder through the enforcement of the City Code of Colorado Springs.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Code Enforcement Unit is responsible for the inspection of publicly and privately owned residential buildings to assure that they meet the Housing Code for the City of Colorado Springs and to ensure safe and sanitary living conditions for all the residents within the city limits of Colorado Springs.

CODE ENFORCEMENT ENSURES COMPLIANCE OF CITY CODES:

- Public Health and Sanitation
- Obstruction of Public Ways
- Minimum Housing Standards
- Maintenance of adjacent rights of way
- Oversize vehicle parking and storage in residential zones
- Temporary Signs on public/city rights of way
- Junk
- Noise Enforcement (Barking dogs 473-1741 Music/parties 444-7000)
- Light Intrusion
- Unlicensed/Inoperable Vehicles on private property (Abandoned on city streets 444-7000)
- Weeds
- Litter
- Graffiti

INSPECTION FEES FOR REPEAT OFFENDERS

The owner of property which has been previously cited for one or more violations of the same chapter of the City Code at least two (2) or more times during any successive six (6) month period will be assessed a \$100 fee for each scheduled reinspection necessitated by the repeat offender's continued violation.

DWELLINGS

Owners/occupants of dwellings within the city limits of Colorado Springs shall be responsible for:

- Properties and accessory structures that afford privacy and are kept in sound condition and good repair.
- Properties being weather-tight, watertight and rodent resistant.
- Property stairs, porches, sidewalks, and exterior attachments of every kind being capable of supporting normal loads, and kept in sound condition and good repair.
- Removal of snow from multi family residential properties, within 24 hours after end of snowfall. (Single family dwelling & public sidewalk snow removal 385-5977).
- Dwelling interiors must be kept free of trash, garbage, animal and/or human waste, or any condition that constitutes a health hazard to occupants or surrounding neighbors.
- Occupied dwellings must be supplied with utility services at all times, (gas, electric and water, where applicable).
- Residential dwellings must be kept free of all insect and rodent infestations. Owners of dwellings with two or more units are responsible for pest extermination.

WEEDS AND PLANT GROWTH

Owners /occupants shall cut and remove weeds or collections of cutting, mowing, or other grasses:

- Located within 55 feet of a building and over 9 inches in height and/or, poses any type of danger or hazard to pedestrians or traffic.
- Property adjoining a public right of way must cut weeds at least 9 feet back from edge of street or curb. If the property interferes with pedestrian or traffic line of sight it must be cut back to corner visibility standards. Property responsibility extends from the center of the alley behind the lot or tract of land, or from the rear lot line including all easements; if no alley exists your responsibility extends to & includes the curb & gutter area of the street in front of or the side of such lot or tract of land including area between sidewalk & curb.

TREE, SHRUB & BUSH MAINTENANCE

City Forestry 385-5942

The owner of any house, building or property within the City shall not permit the branches of any shade, ornamental or other tree to project over any street, avenue or sidewalk, in front of or alongside of the house, building or property, lower than eight feet (8') from the surface of the sidewalk and fourteen feet (14') over the surface of the alley or street. In estimating these heights, the City Forester shall consider the variation of height due to normal rain, snow, sleet and foliage conditions.

UNLICENSED/INOPERABLE VEHICLES

All vehicles on private property must have a current license plate and be operable with the following exception. Only one vehicle as defined by Colorado Revised Statutes section 42-12-101, as "collectors' items" or "parts cars" may be stored outside of a building on any one property. The storage of two or more of such type of vehicles as defined is prohibited. If the one vehicle stored outside is an inoperable collector's item or parts car, it shall be stored in a manner so that it is screened from the view of any adjacent street, alley, or neighboring property.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, TRAILERS

All recreational vehicles and trailers must be parked/stored in the side or rear yard when accessible. Driveaway parking/storage is allowed if the body of the RV/trailer is at least ten feet (10') back from the inside of the sidewalk so as to not pose a traffic or pedestrian hazard.

ANIMAL SANITATION

Animal welfare and barking dogs Humane Society 473-1741

Sanitary Requirements:

- Provide regular removal of animal waste into tightly closed, insect proof containers.
- Provide removal of collected animal waste, weekly, or sooner, if contents create a nuisance or threat to public health.

TEMPORARY AND GARAGE SALE SIGNS

Temporary signs, no larger than six (6) square feet, may be placed in the City Right of Way from noon Friday to noon Monday only, be free standing, not placed on utility poles/ boxes or traffic signs. The sign cannot be placed in the right of way adjacent to any residentially zoned property unless express permission is granted by the property owner. And are strictly prohibited from center medians. Permanent and election signs, placed in the City Right of Way, must have a revocable permit obtained City Planning 385-5905.