

Neighborhood Property Standards - Common Violations

10-POINT CHECKLIST

1. Overgrown grass - grass and weeds are to be maintained at a height of 8 inches or less.

2. All accessory structures, including sheds, and fences, must be maintained in good repair.

3. Vehicles - Inoperative/junked and/or unregistered vehicles may not be stored on your property. No vehicles are permitted to be parked on the lawn, but must be on a hardened surface.

4. Junk, debris, tree branches and other items stored on the exterior of residential properties.

5. Trash and garbage awaiting pick up must be stored in containers with lids at all times.

6. Property maintenance violations. Includes a variety of items in disrepair (for example, doors, windows, roofing.)



7. Dog/animal feces not picked up daily (also removing pet's uneaten food helps to prevent rodents.)

8. Bulk items (stoves, refrigerators, TV's, furniture, tires, etc.) stored outside are considered debris and prohibited.

9. Above-ground pools. All pools capable of holding more than 2 feet of water require a building permit and must meet strict requirements including fencing, self-latching gate and, if applicable, electrical standards.

10. Bushes, hedges, fences, or tree limbs encroaching on the sidewalk or other right of way. No branch should be lower than 7 feet over the sidewalk.



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Contact Numbers

New Castle County

Police, Fire, EMS..... Dial 911
Customer Relations....395-5555
Code Enforcement..... 395-5555
Community Governing..... 395-5114
Community Services..... 395-5600
Land Use..... 395-5400
(includes permit/licensing,
zoning and assessments)
Police
 General Information.....395-8171
 Non-emergency..... 573-2800
Special Services..... 395-5700
(includes parks and sewer)
Treasury..... 323-2600
(tax/sewer bills)

Other Neighborhood Concerns

Street Light Outages
 Conectiv..... 454-0300
Basketball Nets in Street
 DelDOT..... 326-4679
Dead Animals in Roadway
 DelDOT..... 323-4477
Animals in Residential Areas
 Critter Control..... 981-5603
Landfill
 Solid Waste Authority...764-2732
Gas Odor and Leaks
 Conectiv..... 454-0300
Consumer Affairs..... 577-8600
Birth/Death Certificates
 Vital Statistics..... 995-8586
Mosquito Control..... 836-2555

HAVE QUESTIONS?
CALL 395-5555



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Neighborhood Yard Standards

ARE YOU IN VIOLATION?

A Message from
New Castle County Government
Department of Land Use
Office of Code Enforcement