

CODE ENFORCEMENT

City codes and ordinances have been created to protect the health, safety, and quality of life for the citizens of Schertz. It is important to know the codes and how to report a problem in your neighborhood.



ILLEGAL DUMPING



A person commits an offence if the person disposes or allows or permits the disposal of litter or other solid waste at a place that is not an approved solid waste site, including a place on or within 300 feet of a public highway, on a right-of-way, on other public or private property, or into inland or coastal water of the state.

BANDIT SIGNS



Bandit sign shall mean any sign posted on a utility pole, street sign or street furniture, including garage sale signs, or a sign posted in violation of City Code in the public right-of-way. Bandit signs are hereby declared to be abandoned trash at the time of posting and may be removed and discarded without notice.

DANGEROUS STRUCTURES



Homes or commercial buildings that have become dilapidated or rundown may be considered dangerous structures. These structures are often vacant and become home to rodents, snakes, or illegal activities that may threaten the health and safety of the surrounding community. Depending on the condition of the property, the structure may be cleaned and secured or demolished by the City at the owner's expense.

If grass/weeds grow more than 8 inches high or if trash, brush and debris are allowed to accumulate on property, the City may issue a notice to the property owner requesting the property be mowed or cleared. The City may contract for the property be mowed or cleared at the owner's expense if the owners fail to do so.

HIGH WEEDS & VACANT LOTS



OUTSIDE PLACEMENT



Yards should not be used as storage areas for vehicles, building materials, tires, indoor furniture, appliances, boxes or other items. Outside placement is a violation of the City's property maintenance code.

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RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBORS

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FRONT & SIDE YARD PARKING



It shall be unlawful for a person to park or allow to remain parked a motor vehicle, construction vehicle, boat, personal water craft or trailer of any kind at any time in the side or front yard in any single-family residential zoned district, unless parked on a well maintained parking area extending the curb.

INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES



Broken-down, junked vehicles should not be parked in yards, on the street or in any location that can be imposed for this violation and the vehicle may be towed by the City and destroyed if, after notification, it is not repaired or removed from these locations.

MINIMUM HOUSING STANDARDS

Homes, apartments, or commercial buildings are required to meet certain standards for occupancy. The interior and exterior of each property must be in good repair and maintained in a safe and sanitary condition, free of rodent infestation, sewer leaks and the accumulation of garbage. If the health and safety of the persons living in these structures is compromised by a lack of maintenance, the property owner will be required to make the improvements necessary to meet the City's code standards.

OBSTRUCTIONS ON CITY PROPERTY & RIGHT-OF-WAYS

Sidewalks, streets and other public right-of-ways must be kept free of obstructions. Overhanging tree limbs, basketball goals, fences, dumpsters, shrubbery or other obstructions in right-of-ways, including alleyways and easements, are prohibited and must be removed by the owner of the abutting property.



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

Register your complaint online!

311 is a simple, easy-to-remember phone number that connects citizens with specially-trained customer service representatives. You will be asked for detailed information regarding your complaint, which is then sent to EH for follow-up.

You can find City Codes Online at Schertz.com