



Code Enforcement Areas of Focus

- High grass
- Debris around a structure
- Structures left in a state of disrepair
- Work being done without a permit
- Unlicensed contracting
- Pool / Hot Tub / Spa Structures



For further information, or to report a nuisance violation,
please visit our website at cityofperryville.com or contact:

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**A Guide To
Code Enforcement
Policy and Procedures
for the
City of Perryville**

Why does the City of Perryville have a Code Enforcement Officer?

The Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for enforcing city ordinances in an effort to promote and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of those individuals living, working, and doing business in the City of Perryville. Effective code enforcement promotes stable neighborhoods and property values while enhancing community pride.

Code Enforcement Process

Code Enforcement begins when the Code Enforcement Officer observes a violation or a complaint is called into the Department by a citizen. Complaints may remain anonymous or they may leave a name and number so they can be contacted in the future.

General Outline of Case Progression

Case progression can vary depending upon the nature of the violation or a number of variables:

- A complaint is received by the department
- An inspection is performed to verify that a violation exists on the property
- The property owner is then notified that a violation(s) exists and is given a reasonable period of time in which to correct the violation(s)
- A follow-up inspection is performed to verify that the violation(s) has been corrected
- If compliance cannot be achieved through normal channels, the resident is issued a summons to appear in municipal court
- After hearing testimony from the property owner and Code Enforcement, the Judge rules on the case and determines whether or not there was a violation(s) of the City's Code of Ordinances
- If the Judge determines that a violation does exist on the property, an order is issued that the property come into compliance within a specified period of time and a fine will be issued. Municipal fines can range anywhere from \$5 to \$500, for each day of the offense

Up To Code:FAQ

Frequent Questions about City Codes

Nuisances

The following are some violations handled by the Code Enforcement Officer:

- Unlicensed/inoperable/wrecked vehicles
- Stagnant pools of water
- Accumulations of trash/animal waste
- Obstructions to streets/ sidewalks
- Mud/dirt/grass clippings on street/ sidewalks
- Excessive grass/weed growth (over 7 inches high)
- Unsecured swimming pools over 24 inch depth (no permit issued)
- Outdoor storage of items, not limited to car parts/household appliances/broken furniture etc.
- Graffiti
- Off-premise advertising signs
- Unfit or substandard buildings

Annual Nuisance Notification

If a resident commits the same excessive weed/grass violation within the same year. Without notice the resident will receive citations for court on each offense, which occurs after proper notice and without additional warning.

Open Burning

Open burning is prohibited without a permit issued by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, available by calling 1-800-361-4827, or visiting www.dnr.mogov/forms/780-1941-f.pdf.

Yard Sales

Yard sales are allowed for a consecutive 48-hour period, once a month. Signs may be posted during the sale

and removed immediately afterward. These signs must not be attached to any utility pole/tree/fire hydrant and not placed on public property.

House Numbers

All buildings must be numbered with Arabic numbers no less than 2 inches high, with contrasting back ground, within 15 feet of the building and clearly visible from the street.

On-Street Parking Violations

Any parking violations will be enforced by the Perryville Police Department by calling 573-547-4546 or 573-547-4547.

Parking On Private Property

Oversize trailers/ camping trailers/ vehicles may be parked on private property if vehicle is not declared a nuisance (unlicensed/inoperable) and is currently licensed with the Department of Revenue.

Fences

Fences are allowed without a building permit if under 8 feet tall. The fence must be on your property (the property owner is responsible for locating property lines), and not block the vision of any public roadway or egress from any private drive.

Digging Or Moving Dirt

Prior to digging or moving dirt, you are required to call Missouri One call and request a locate on the public utilities. This must be requested a minimum of 2 days prior. This can be done by calling 1-800-dig-rite or 811, or on the

web at www.mo.1call.com. Any violations will be issued a citation for Municipal Court, and the digger is liable for damages.

Building Permits

Building permits are not required for repairing or replacing the following; fences/ windows/ roofing/doors/ plumbing fixtures/ lighting or electrical fixtures etc; or any portable building (shed/playhouse under 200 square feet (placement/location of these are limited). Please contact building Department for information. Permits are required for interior/exterior alterations/ new construction/ finishing basements/ swimming pools over 24 inches deep/ portable carports or other structural/ electrical/ plumbing improvements.

Note: All Contractors are required to have or obtain a Occupational License prior to starting work. These must be obtained by contacting City Collector Lori Carroll at Perryville City Hall.

Commercial Building Permits

All commercial building permits must be signed and sealed by a licensed Architect or Engineer.

Home Businesses

Home business are allowed but limited to your Zoning Classification. Please call with your specific questions.

Occupational License

Business are required to have a annual license. These must be obtained by contacting City Collector Lori Carroll at Perryville City Hall.

Ward Map

Available at <http://www.cityofperryville.com/DocumentCenter/View/8>