

STOCKTON MUNICIPAL CODE

The City of Stockton has several ordinances designed to improve the appearance of the City. These ordinances are based upon the belief that the community's general welfare is affected significantly by the appearance and maintenance of residential and commercial property. Compliance with these ordinances can restore neighborhoods and commercial centers, and benefit the community as a whole.

CONTACT NUMBERS

The following numbers are provided to help you report problems within the City limits. Your involvement will make our communities safer and healthier places to live.

Code Enforcement

- Wrecked or Abandoned Vehicles on **Private Property**
 - Household garbage, junk illegal storage or disposal
 - Inadequate Property Maintenance/unsafe conditions
- Phone: (209) 937-8813

Graffiti Hotline

Phone: (209) 937-8040

Public Works

Furniture, car parts, debris on city streets.
Phone: (209) 937-8341

Police Traffic Section

Vehicles abandoned on **street**.
Phone: (209) 937-8354

ASK STOCKTON - You can utilize the City of Stockton Website to report violations, track a service request, ask a question, or make a comment.



STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT

You can be the beginning. Improvements are contagious: Help us plant the seed of beautification and watch it grow.

CONTACT NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES
(209)937-8813



Common City Code Violations

Property Maintenance

The Stockton City Council Adopted the “Property Maintenance Ordinance” aimed at improving the overall appearance and maintenance of the properties in our city. The purpose of the ordinance is to address visual blight issues that detract from the livability of a neighborhood and detrimentally affect the quality of life of citizens. (SMC 8.36)

Garbage, Junk, Trash & Debris

Remove the accumulation of garbage, junk, and debris from all yards. Maintain back, front, and side yards in a sanitary manner. Remove all broken/surplus/inoperable items. (SMC8.36.040 a,f,g,h) It is the responsibility of property owners and tenants to ensure that their property is kept clear of garbage junk, trash and debris and maintained in a sanitary blight free condition. This includes adjacent sidewalks, street and public right-of-way.

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Vacant and Abandoned Buildings & Properties

City of Stockton has an ordinance to protect neighborhoods from becoming blighted through the lack of adequate maintenance and security of vacant buildings and properties. (SMC section 15.32) Vacant and abandoned properties, and the costs associated with monitoring and upkeep, are the responsibility of property owners and must not become a nuisance and liability to the surrounding community.

Inoperative vehicles on private property

All inoperative, wrecked or dismantled vehicle (s) must be removed from a driveway or yard. Inoperable vehicles can only be stored within approved enclosed structures. (SMC 8.12.010 through 8.12.140)

Graffiti

The City of Stockton is taking action to wipe out graffiti. In January 2007, the City adopted a more stringent graffiti ordinance in an effort to reduce graffiti throughout the city. The ordinance includes additional penalties and requires property owners to assist with removing and preventing graffiti on private property.

When violations are not corrected

Property owners and occupants can be issued citations for being in violation of City codes. The first citation is a Violation Warning Notice that identifies the City code that has been violated and the date by which the problem must be corrected.

It is the responsibility of the person(s) cited to comply. If the violation is not corrected by the compliance date, an Administrative Citation with Intent to Abate may be posted with an inspection fee. Additional Administrative Citations with inspection fees and fines may be issued if the problem persists.

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