



## Code Enforcement



Working with the Fremont community to provide a safe and attractive place to live, work, and play!

Contact Information  
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## WHO IS CODE ENFORCEMENT?

Code Enforcement is a division within the City's Community Development Department. The team spends the majority of their time responding to concerns that are located on private property. Their focus is to diminish public nuisances that affect health and life safety and enforce zoning rules.

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF CODE ENFORCEMENT?

The team's main goal is to enhance the quality of life in Fremont's neighborhoods. By bringing code violations to the property owner's attention, homes and businesses are properly maintained, and the appearance and safety of the community is improved. Code Enforcement responds to several types of concerns including blighted properties, dangerous or unsafe buildings, residential auto repair, and unsafe or unsanitary homes. Through voluntary compliance and, if needed, citations and/or court orders, code violations can be eliminated or reduced. Working together with the community, Code Enforcement helps make Fremont a better place to live, work, and play!



## WHAT TYPES OF ISSUES DOES CODE ENFORCEMENT HANDLE?

### Blighted Properties:

Properties with an accumulation of garbage, old appliances/furniture, scrap metal, or fences with broken boards.



**Illegal Rentals:** An owner who illegally rents or leases a property.

**Dangerous or Unsafe Buildings:** Vacant buildings that are being accessed by unauthorized persons or a vacant building where the exterior is not being maintained.

**Homelessness Concerns:** Issues dealing with homelessness on private property that negatively affect the health and life safety of the community.

Homeless issues on public property (streets, sidewalks, parks, etc.) can be reported online at [city.fremont.gov/reportissues](http://city.fremont.gov/reportissues).

**Illegal Construction:** Additions, alterations, sheds, patio covers, carports, and garage conversions constructed without a permit.

**Residential Auto Repair:** Major auto repair taking place in a residential zone. Minor homeowner auto repair is allowed if the vehicle is registered to the property owner.

**Unsafe or Unsanitary Homes:** Homes that are not in compliance with the minimum safety standards as set forth within the California Health and Safety Code.

**Weeds or Overgrown/Dry Vegetation:** Weeds or vegetation that poses a fire hazard or obstructs the public's right of way.



## WHAT ISSUES ARE HANDLED BY OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES?

### Abandoned Shopping Carts:

A contact list of retrieval companies can be found online at [city.fremont.gov/shoppingcarts](http://city.fremont.gov/shoppingcarts).



**California Civil Code:** Code Enforcement does not enforce these types of laws. For this information, refer to the [Nolo Press Neighbor Law Publication](#).

**Homeowner Associations (HOAs):** Code Enforcement does not enforce HOA rules and regulations. Please refer to the HOA directly.

**Neighboring Fences:** Boundary fences sit on the boundary line between two properties. Both property owners are responsible for these fences.

**Neighboring Vegetation:** Vegetation that crosses the boundary line between two properties is the responsibility of the respective property owner.

### Trash Containers:

Issues with trash containers and residents leaving them in the street more than 24 hours before or after pick up are handled by Environmental Services at 510-494-4570.



**Vehicle Abatement:** Issues with abandoned vehicles and/or illegally parked vehicles are handled by the Police Traffic Unit at 510-790-6760.

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## HOW DO I ADDRESS A CONCERN IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

If you are seeking relief from conditions on a property in your community, there are a number of options available to you.

Try making contact with the responsible person. Describe your concern, discuss how your concern affects you and/or the neighborhood, and consider possible solutions.

Attend or initiate a neighborhood watch meeting and get involved with other neighbors in solving area concerns. For more information, contact the Police Department's Community Engagement Unit at 510-790-6740.

## HOW DO I SUBMIT A CONCERN TO CODE ENFORCEMENT?

You can submit a concern online at [city.fremont.gov/reportissues](http://city.fremont.gov/reportissues).

You can call 510-494-4430.

You can email [code\\_enf@fremont.gov](mailto:code_enf@fremont.gov).

You can visit the City's Development Services Center located at 39550 Liberty Street in Fremont. The Center is open Tuesday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## HELPFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

### **City Animal Services**

510-790-6630

### **City Building Inspection**

510-494-4400

### **City Environmental Services**

510-494-4570

### **City Fire Department**

510-494-4200

### **City Planning Division**

510-494-4440

### **City Plans & Permits**

510-494-4460

### **City Police Department**

510-790-6800

### **City Recreation Division**

510-494-4300

Before digging underground, contact the Underground Service Alert by dialing 811.

For confidential counseling services regarding rental housing issues, call Fremont Fair Housing at 510-574-2270.

For issues relating to wildlife, rodents, insects, or dead birds, call Alameda County Vector Control at 510-567-6800.

To report stagnant water, neglected pools, and find other information on mosquito abatement, call the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District at 510-783-7744.

Code Enforcement Officers are available to attend neighborhood meetings to explain the program and assist with any neighborhood concerns. For more information, call 510-494-4430.

For more information, visit:  
[city.fremont.gov/codeenforcement](http://city.fremont.gov/codeenforcement)