

BOROUGH OF ELIZABETHVILLE CODE ENFORCEMENT

This notice is to inform Borough of Elizabethville residents that the Borough has ordinances and codes for the purpose of protecting the health, safety and general welfare of residents. The ordinances and codes have been designed to eliminate conditions that may constitute a public nuisance and that create health and safety issues.

There are presently conditions within the Borough that need your attention and need to be eliminated in order to comply with these ordinances and codes. If your property is not in compliance with the ordinances and codes, this notice is to request your cooperation to eliminate these conditions that may be in violation. **Continued non-compliance could result with the issuance of a citation and possible fines for every day of non-compliance.**

The following is a summary of a few of the ordinances or codes relevant to real property. Compliance with these ordinances and codes will eliminate nuisance conditions and will make all Borough residents proud to live in and be a part of this community. The Borough Council and its Code Enforcement Officer are dedicated to creating a safer and more attractive community through the prevention and abatement of all violations.

Some common code violations are:

NON-REMOVAL OF JUNK VEHICLES

An abandoned or junk vehicle is any motor vehicle in a non-serviceable and run down condition and not having both a current state inspection sticker and current registration plate. Any such motor vehicle is considered to be a nuisance and should be removed.

Nuisance is any condition which may constitute a danger or potential danger to health, safety or welfare of the residents of the Borough.

NON-REMOVAL OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS AND EXCESSIVE VEGETATION

The owner or occupant of any premises or vacant property must remove the accumulation of combustible materials such as paper, litter, and flammable waste or rubbish that creates a fire hazard. Proper maintenance must be provided by cutting down or removing any weeds, grass or other unwanted growth that is in excess of six inches.

Snow and ice must be removed from walkways no later than 12 hours after cessation of snow, sleet or freezing rain. A path of 30 inches must be cleared and made reasonably safe for travel.

Dispose of **trash**, litter and debris properly. Storage of trash or not having a dumpster emptied when full is a violation.

Correct existing **nuisances**:

- rubbish, filth, scattered trash and garbage on the property
- old appliances and furniture on the property
- dilapidated structures and buildings
- fire hazards of any kind

Properly dispose of **hazardous chemicals**: oils, anti freeze, paints, paint thinner, etc.

Dumping anywhere except an approved dumpsite. The Borough does allow dumping of organic matter at our dumpsite. To access this service, contact the Borough office at 362-7945.

Dogs at large and nuisances

Dogs must be leashed when walked. Allowing a dog to defecate or urinate in any area other than the private property of the owner of the dog is prohibited. Feces must be picked up immediately and disposed of properly.

The CODE OF ORDINANCES BOOK for the Borough of Elizabethville is available to view at the Elizabethville Public Library or the Borough office. Copies of a code are available at 50 cents per copy.