



Contact Code Enforcement

For Information:

Call: 916-874-6444

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Or Visit:

<http://www.code-enforcement.saccounty.net>

To Report a Concern Regarding a Possible Violation of Local Codes:

Call: 311 or 916-875-4311

Or Visit:

<http://www.311.saccounty.net>

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Junk, Garbage, & Rubbish



Code Enforcement Mission:

To promote and maintain a high quality of life where people live and work.

What is Blight?

Blight is a deteriorating environmental condition or nuisance that can damage and eventually ruin the security, health, and economic vitality of a business district or neighborhood if it is ignored and allowed to grow.

Can I Store My Junk on My Property?

No. It shall be unlawful for any person to store or keep, or permit others to store or keep, junk. This includes, but is not limited to: scrap metals or other scrap materials on any lot or parcel, or any portion thereof, in any zone other than a heavy industrial zone. All such items should be stored inside a fully enclosed structure.

(See section 5.2.0.A of the Zoning Code)

What is Junk?

Junk is defined as "any worn out, cast off, or discarded article or material which is ready for destruction or has been collected or stored for salvage or conversion to some use."

(See section 7.3 of the Zoning Code)

What is Rubbish?

Rubbish includes, but is not limited to waste such as paper, cardboard, grass clippings, tree or shrub trimmings, wood, bedding, crockery, construction waste, and similar waste materials.

(See section 7.3 of the Zoning Code)

What is Garbage?

Garbage is defined as including, but not limited to the following: "waste resulting from the handling of edible foodstuffs or resulting from decay, and solid or semisolid putrescible wastes, and all other mixed non-recyclable wastes which are generated in the day-to-day operation of any business, residential, governmental, public or private activity, and may include tin cans, bottles and paper, or plastic food or beverage containers."

(See section 7.3 of the Zoning Code)



Can I Store Junk, Garbage, and Rubbish behind my fence?

No. It is a violation of the zoning code to have junk and rubbish on the property whether screened from view or not. In addition, the storage of junk and rubbish within view of the public right-of-way or neighboring properties constitutes a public nuisance and can result in the case being taken to a Nuisance Hearing.

(SCC 16.18.401)

Help Keep Your Community Clean and Safe



Examples of Junk, Garbage, and Rubbish

Automotive Parts & Equipment
Furniture
Packing Materials
Building Materials

Appliances
Containers
Scrap Metal
Wood

Code Enforcement's Goal

Code Enforcement's goal is to prevent the physical and aesthetic deterioration of our community. By enforcing the County codes, we can help you clean up your neighborhoods and maintain a healthy and safe environment.

Together, we can help reduce crime and poverty, protect the health and well-being of our residents, and help maintain property values. When you purchased your home, business, or property, you made an investment in not only in the property itself, but you also invested in the community.

As a property owner, you can positively impact your property and community by adhering to the County codes, keeping your property tidy, and reporting those who do not; thus, preserving and enhancing your community for future generations.

How You Can Help?

- **Keep automobile repair limited to minor repair.**
- **Keep both developed and undeveloped property free of trash, debris, and excessive foliage.**
- **Fence or board properties that might attract trespassers or vandals.**
- **Keep grounds and structures clean and tidy.**
- **Park in designated parking.**
- **Learn and adhere to local zoning and code regulations.**
- **Do not tolerate illicit activity.**
- **Cooperate in good faith should you receive a complaint.**
- **Report violations and nuisances.**

This is Your Community! Let's work together to keep it clean and safe!

Report Your Concerns: Call 311
