

City of Las Vegas Code Enforcement- Common Violations



Dangerous Buildings

Property owners are required to keep all structures secure and protected. Buildings that are fire damaged, unsecured, or a public nuisance may require Code Enforcement to take appropriate action to secure or demolish.



Fences/Walls

Fences/walls cannot be over 3 feet in height in front or street side yards or up to 8 feet in height in side or rear yards and must be kept in good repair. Fences/walls must be constructed of approved materials. Use of materials such as barbed wire, razor wire and electrified fences are prohibited and require a Site Development Review in all zonings. All fences over 2 feet in height require a building permit.



Garage Sales

An owner may conduct no more than two (2) garage sales during any twelve (12) consecutive months. No permits are required to conduct a garage sale.



Garbage Cans



Las Vegas Municipal Code prohibits placement of household garbage or garbage receptacles for pick-up no earlier than 12 hours prior to regularly scheduled pick-ups. Further, garbage receptacles must be removed from the front of the property on the day of pick-up. Garbage cans must be kept behind the front of the house.



High Vegetation

Property owners need to maintain their yard areas keeping grass or weeds less than 8 inches in height.

	<p>Illegal or Non-Permitted Signage</p>	<p>Title 19 Unified Development Code sets forth the standards for permitted ground mounted and building signs, and contain prohibitions for specific types of signs such as banners, pennants, streamers, inflatable signs, portable signs, damaged signs and signs located within public rights-of-way.</p>
	<p>Minimum Housing Standards</p>	<p>City of Las Vegas Housing Code provides minimum standards for all residential dwelling units in the City, including those related to roofs, exterior walls, doors, windows, interior floors, walls, ceilings, electrical, plumbing, and bug infestation. Upon receipt of a complaint, City of Las Vegas performs interior inspections on rental properties consisting of single family property to multifamily properties. Tenants need to provide their name and a contact number so the inspection can be scheduled, and access must also be granted. All complainant information is kept confidential.</p>
	<p>Non-Permitted Structures</p>	<p>A permit must be obtained for structures including pre-fabricated structures such as fences, reroofing, room additions, and any other structures including gas, electrical, plumbing or mechanical systems. Permits are also needed to move, remove or demolish any regulated structures.</p>
	<p>Obstruction</p>	<p>The occupant or owner is responsible for keeping the street, alley, and sidewalk clear of obstructions. This includes the trimming of trees, shrubbery and vines which may obstruct any vehicle traveling through an alley, or which may obstruct a sidewalk or street or other public right of ways. Additionally, sidewalks must have a height clearance of 8 feet of overhead clearance.</p>
	<p>Outside Storage</p>	<p>All usable equipment, appliances, tools etc., must be kept in a garage or kept from public view from public street.</p>

	<p>Polluted or Unsecured Pools</p>	<p>Las Vegas Municipal Code prohibits stagnant, polluted water which may become a breeding place for mosquitoes or endangers the health, safety and welfare of the public. All pools must meet strict requirements including fencing, self-latching gate and if applicable, electrical standards.</p>
	<p>Refuse & Waste</p>	<p>Junk, refuse and waste are prohibited from being left in any areas of a property and must be disposed of properly. This includes but is not limited to decaying or non-decaying solid and semi-solid wastes, whether or not combustible, such as old lumber, tin, wire, cans, barrels, cartons, boxes, rags, tires, inner tubes, brush, grass, hedge clippings, rocks, bricks, cinders, scrap iron, buckets, tubs, windows, screens, glass bottles, wastepaper, bedsprings, mattresses, discarded furniture and appliances, bedding and material cleaned from animal or fowl pens, automobile parts, scrape paving material, and piles of earth mixed with other waste material which may harbor insect or rodent infestations or may become a fire hazard. This applies to residential and commercial properties.</p>
	<p>Residential Vehicle Parking and Storage</p>	<p>Motor vehicles must be parked on an approved surface which is defined as concrete, asphalt or 6 inches of gravel with a border surrounding the gravel where permitted. It is a violation to park a vehicle on the lawn. Vehicles shall be parked on a driveway, in a garage or on the street.</p>
	<p>Substandard Housing</p>	<p>Property owners are required to keep structures in good repair. Peeling paint, leaking roof, electrical and plumbing problems, holes in the wall, floor and ceiling, and decayed wood are building maintenance violations.</p>
	<p>Wrecked or Inoperable Vehicles</p>	<p>One inoperative vehicle may only store on residential property for up to 60 days, so long as it is stored in the side or rear yard and screened from view. Code Enforcement has the authority to require inoperative vehicles be repaired and owner to provide proof of ownership and operability. Wrecked or junk vehicles must be removed from the property.</p>