

How do I report a Code Violation?

Code Violation(s) may be submitted in person by written form or by phone. You may also submit your complaint directly to the Code Enforcement Officer at tcienfuegos@ci.clute.tx.us all violations will be performed by the Code Enforcement Department.



Procedure for Code Enforcement Violations

When a city code violation is reported within the city limits, the Code Enforcement Officer will inspect the complaint if the complaint is legitimate the owner/tenant will be notified by Certificate of Mailing allowing a certain amount of time to correct the violation. **(Only one notice per violation will be issued within a calendar year. Repeating the same violation within the same calendar year may result in an immediate issue of a Citation to the Municipal Court).**

After the given time to correct the violation, the Code Officer will re-inspect the property. If the violation(s) still exist a citation may be issued for each violation or the City may have the violation corrected immediately. Once you are notified by Certificate of mailing and have any questions you may call our office at 979-265-2541.

Sign Information

All signs in the City of Clute must be permitted. The Building Official will need to review and approve all signs, as for all signs are different and have certain restrictions they must comply to. Contact the Permits Department for more information

What should I do if I receive a Code Enforcement Courtesy Notice?

Correct the violation before the given time. If for any reason you are unable to comply, call the Code Enforcement Officer at 979-265-2541 x1118 or e-mail tcienfuegos@ci.clute.tx.us to discuss the violation.



Make your home a happy home

Homeowners/tenants are responsible for providing regular maintenance of exterior home and landscaping. **Front, backyard and any right of ways located on your property should be well maintained, mowed regularly free from trash, litter, debris, and overgrown vegetation.**



Weeds and Grass

All rank or uncultivated vegetable growth which has grown **more than 12 inches in height**, endangers property (also mow to curb) or is a fire hazard, and creates an unsanitary condition or becomes a breeding place for mosquitoes, rodents, vermin, or other disease-carrying pests..

Sanitary Nuisance

Sanitary Nuisances includes all manner of refuse, including but not limited to rubbish, garbage, mounds of dirt, compost, piles of leaves, grass and weed clippings, paper trash, construction material, rubble, household items and appliances, items of salvage such as scrap metal and wood, barrels, tires, objects that hold water for an extended time, tree and brush trimmings, and other miscellaneous wastes, junk or other unsanitary matter.

Swimming Pools

It is unlawful to maintain any swimming pool in the city which is not fenced in accordance to the city code.



ADDRESS NUMBERS SHALL BE VISIBLE FROM THE STREET. (4" ARABIC numerals or ALPHA letters)

JUNKED VEHICLES

Junked vehicles that are visible from a public right of way or public place are considered a public nuisance and prohibited.



A junked vehicle is any vehicle that was designed to be self propelled and does not lawfully have affixed to it, current registration **and** inspection stickers. The junk vehicle must also either be wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, or discarded; or has remained inoperable for 30 days on private property or 72 hours consecutive hours on public property..

This does not apply to vehicles screened completely from public view provided the vehicles and outdoor storage area do not constitute a health hazard.

Is a permit required for a Garage Sale?

No, you do not need a permit for a garage sale, although no person shall attach any sign, paper, other material, or paint, stencil, or write any name, number (except house numbers) or otherwise mark on any sidewalk, curb, gutter, street, utility pole, tree, public building, fence, or structure unless authorized by this ordinance.



When do I need a Permit?

A permit from the City is required whenever you construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, remove, improve, convert or demolish a building or other structure. Permits are also required for construction of fences and any structures that are being brought into the City. You may contact the Permits Department for any questions of permits that are required.

For more information on City Codes, visit www.ci.clute.tx.us under City Ordinance link. While the goals of Code Enforcement may sound simple, they are only possible with cooperation and support from businesses, property owners and residents.