



Code Compliance and Enforcement Process

The Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for maintaining community compliance with the Enumclaw Municipal Code (EMC) to protect health, safety, and welfare of the Enumclaw residents. Investigation of compliance concerns reported to the city. When complaints are received, Code Enforcement will respond by inspecting the property of concern. If the Code Enforcement Officer observes violations to the Enumclaw Municipal Code, the property owner is informed, and the Code Enforcement Officer will work with them to correct the violations.

Steps to Compliance

1. A reported concern to the city. Most common reported concerns are:

- * Abandoned or neglected buildings
- * Garbage or debris on property
- * Overgrown vegetation on property
- * Graffiti on private property
- * Construction without a permit
- * Tree limbs and vegetation blocking right-of-way
- * Illegal parking of RV's and boats in front yard
- * Junk/Abandoned vehicles on property

2. The Code Enforcement Officer inspects the property of concern.

*If no violation is found, the case is closed, "no violation."

3. If a violation is confirmed, the City will issue a Notice of Civil Violation, and the property owner will be subject to penalties and/or abatement action (and the violation is not an immediate health or safety issue).

- After the 21-day notice of violation period, the Code Enforcement Officer will make a site visit. If the violation has been remedied and the case will be closed.
- After the 21-day notice of violation period, the Code Enforcement Officer will make a site visit. If compliance is not met, a monetary penalty statement will be issued to the property owner and/or tenant or both after 30 days.

- 30 days from the date of the monetary penalty statement is issued, the city will refer the penalties to collections.
4. Prior to the expiration of the 21-day correction date on the notice of violation, the property owner or tenant may make a written request for a voluntary correction agreement.
- Failing to comply with the voluntary correction agreement will result in fines assessed as stated in the Notice of Violation. No new notice of violation will be required.