



CITY OF HEMET CODE COMPLIANCE

FAQ – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT ISSUES ARE *NOT* ENFORCED BY CODE COMPLIANCE?

ADDRESSES WITH 5-DIGITS: Generally, any address that has a 5-digit number is considered within the jurisdiction of Riverside County. For code enforcement assistance, you will need to contact County of Riverside Code Enforcement at 951-955-2004 or by visiting www.rctlma.org/ce.

DISTURBING THE PEACE: Disturbing the peace violations, noise complaints, loud parties, etc. are enforced by law enforcement. For assistance, please contact the City of Hemet Police Department at 951-765-2400.

BARKING DOGS/ANIMAL CONTROL: The Ramona Humane Society provides animal control services for the City of Hemet. For assistance please contact Ramona Humane Society Animal Control Services at 951-487-6565 or visit www.ramonahumanesociety.org/animal-control for additional information.

LANDLORD/TENANT DISPUTES: The Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc. investigates and mediates landlord/tenant rights and responsibilities. They may be reached by calling 1-800-655-1812 or 951-682-6581. You can also find information by visiting their website at www.fairhousing.net.

OBSTRUCTIONS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY: To report an obstruction in the public right-of-way, including junk, trash disposed of on the street or sidewalk and for issues regarding a city street tree you may contact our Public Works Department at 951-765-3712.

NEIGHBOR DISPUTES/CIVIL MATTERS: The City does not handle neighbor disputes or civil matters that do not violate codes adopted by the City. For example, fence repair or property line disputes, tree roots or branches encroaching onto private property and/or causing damage to a fence or structure. These types of situations are a private matter between two property owners, and the City has no jurisdiction. Residents are urged to establish good relationships with neighbors and work together to solve such problems.

COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS (CC&R's): Enforcement of CC&R's must be addressed with your Homeowner's Association (HOA). The City does not regulate adopted CC&R's within an HOA unless there is an issue of health & safety.

VEHICLES PARKED ON A PUBLIC STREET IN EXCESS OF 72 HOURS: Complaints for vehicles parked in excess of 72 consecutive hours should be directed to the Hemet Police Department at (951) 765-2400.

DO I NEED A PERMIT FOR A RESIDENTIAL YARD SALE?

Yes. A permit is required for all residential yard sales (garage sales). The cost of the permit is \$10.00 and each permit is valid for up to 3 consecutive days. You must wait 30 calendar days before holding another yard sale. No more than 4 yard sales per calendar year will be allowed at the same address.

WHAT TYPES OF ANIMALS AND/OR HOW MANY ANIMALS MAY I HAVE?

You may have up to 3 dogs and/or 4 cats, over the age of 4 months. The types and quantity of other animals are determined by the zoning and size of your property. Please contact the Planning Division at 951-765-2375 or 951-765-2368 for additional information.

DOES THE CITY HAVE A REGISTRATION PROGRAM FOR VACANT, ABANDONED, OR FORECLOSED PROPERTY?

Yes. Article XI of Chapter 14 of the Hemet Municipal Code addresses the Maintenance, Security, and Rehabilitation of Abandoned or Vacant Properties.

DO I NEED TO REGISTER MY RENTAL PROPERTY?

Yes. Article XIV to Chapter 18 of the Hemet Municipal Code established a Residential Rental Property Registration and Crime-Free Housing Program. All rental properties must be registered with the City and the property owner must obtain a business license. For additional information please contact Casandra Marin at 951-765-3893 or at cmarin@cityofhemet.org.

IF I FILE A COMPLAINT, WILL MY INFORMATION REMAIN ANONYMOUS?

Yes. Although your name, address, and phone number are required on the complaint form, your personal information will *not* be released to the public, unless court-ordered by subpoena, under state law.

WHERE CAN I PARK MY VEHICLE FOR SALE?

Vehicles may only be displayed for sale on private residential property, on a paved driveway.

WHERE CAN I PARK MY COMMERCIAL VEHICLE?

No commercial vehicle shall be parked on any residentially-zoned street or property unless for the purposes of loading or unloading. Trailers shall not be disconnected.

CAN I PARK MY INOPERABLE VEHICLE ON MY DRIVEWAY?

No. Inoperable, unlicensed, wrecked, or dismantled vehicle or vehicle parts may only be stored in an enclosed building (garage, shed, etc.). Vehicles must be capable of operating legally on the roadway in order to be parked outdoors.

CAN I PARK MY VEHICLE ON MY FRONT LAWN?

No. Vehicles may not be parked on any front yard, lawn or unpaved area except during the time the vehicle is being washed, and once complete it must be moved to an appropriate location to park.

CAN I PARK MY LARGE VEHICLE, TRAILER, OR MOTORHOME ON MY DRIVEWAY?

Currently registered vehicles, including non-motorized vehicles between 22 and 40 feet in length, may be parked in the side or rear yard setback area when screened by six-foot high solid fencing. The parking area is not required to be paved, but the area shall be maintained free of weeds, junk and debris.

Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or concerns.

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Hours of Operation:

Monday – Thursday, 7:30am to 5:30pm