SUSSEX COUNTY

DELAWARE

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Reference Guide

A reference for citizens seeking information regarding common questions on Code Enforcement. For specific information, please contact the appropriate County office.

Chapter 80 Property Maintenance Code

- Grass/weeds not to exceed 12 inches in height. Does not apply to trees, bushes, or ornamental vegetation.

Chapter 115-191 Parking, Storing and Maintaining Vehicles and Trailers

- More than two unregistered, inoperable or junk cars, trucks, campers, trailers, boats, etc. are prohibited.
- The use of a camper/RV or shed as living space is explicitly prohibited.
- No vehicle/boat/watercraft is prohibited on an unimproved vacant lot.

Chapter 115-191.1 Prohibited Accumulations

- Refuse, rubbish, trash, inoperable appliances, excess tires or other waste material is prohibited.

Civil Ticketing - Chapters 80-1, 115-191 and 115-191.1 Citation/Tickets (civil penalty) will be issued per violation for failure to comply after an allowable time for compliance.

(Call: 855-7819 Constable Office)

Building Permits

- Manufactured homes, including single and double-wide, require a placement permit issued prior to the movement of the structure to a site to allow for hook-up to sewer/septic/electric hookup.
- Single and multi-family dwellings, manufactured housing (including replacement), commercial construction
- Accessory structures (garages, sheds, gazebos, carports, playhouses, pole buildings, agricultural buildings, pools, solar panels, retaining walls)
- Additions and renovations (porches, sunrooms, decks, fireplace, siding, structural roofing, interior/exterior renovations, finished basements, patios, fences)

(Call: 855-7720 Permit Counter)

Animal Control/Dog Licenses

Incidents involving a dog bite or attack, a dangerous dog, an at-large dog, or a barking dog are covered by State Code.

(Call: 302-255-4646)

For More Information Contact:

County Administration	855-7742
Planning and Zoning	855-7878
Building Code	855-7860
Constable's Office	855-7819