



# Town of Georgetown's Most Common Code Violations

Town of Georgetown, 39 The Circle  
(302) 856-7391

Our neighborhoods are the environment in which we live and play. Recognizing how important it is to our community to keep our neighborhoods healthy, safe, and attractive, the Town of Georgetown has certain ordinances or laws to safeguard this valuable environment.

## Detrimental Objects and Materials

A safe and attractive neighborhood means the properties within the Town should be clear of any objects or materials of a detrimental nature which are typically unsuitable for outside storage or use.

Detrimental objects includes, but are not limited to, old tires, motor vehicle parts or related equipment, rubbish, garbage, trash, organic waste, household furniture, appliances and other obvious junk or salvage. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer for more information.

## Vehicles, Abandoned or Inoperable

In the Town of Georgetown, no person shall park, store, leave or permit the parking of any wrecked, dismantled, inoperable or unregistered vehicle of any kind on public and private property in excess of 15 days. This does not apply to vehicles enclosed within a building or fence on private property where it is not visible from the road, or licensed businesses that service and repairs vehicles.



If you have a vehicle that is not in running condition or is unregistered and it is stored on the street in front of your house, in your driveway, front, side or back yards, you may be required to remove them from your property. Minor repairs may be allowed for a short period of time only. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer for more information.

## Animals

Dog's running at large is prohibited. Pet owner's are required to keep their pets restrained at all times either by confining the animal within a fence or enclosure or by accompanying the animal on a leash. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer or Delaware animal services (302) 255-4646 for more information.

## Brush, Grass and Weeds

To maintain a healthy, safe and attractive community, grass height shall not be more than eight (8) inches in height. Additionally, grass clippings are not to be blown onto any streets, alleys, and other public roads. For the safety of our pedestrians, sidewalks are to be cleared of sand, leaves, dirt, grass and weeds. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer for more information.



## Removal of Snow or Ice

Snow and ice must be removed from public sidewalks within 24 hours of the ceasing of a precipitation event. If snow or ice remain after 24 hours, the Town may proceed to have the area cleared. When completed a bill for the costs incurred will be forwarded to the property owner. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer for more information.

## Holiday Seasonal Lighting

Holiday lighting may be displayed 35 days prior to the holiday and 30 days after the holiday for which the seasonal lighting is for. Please consult with our Code Enforcement Officer for more information.



## Town of Georgetown Code Enforcement Officer

Michael Picarello (302) 448-5027  
Town Code: [www.georgetowndel.com](http://www.georgetowndel.com)

## It May Cost You...

### Consequences for non-compliance:

- 1) A door hanger notifying the property owner/occupant of violation is placed on the property and a notice of deficiency is mailed.
- 2) If the violation is not remedied within the number of days allotted, a first notice of violation is mailed along with the corresponding fine.
- 3) If the violation remains after the number of days indicated in the first notice of violation, a second notice will be issued along with an additional fine.
- 4) If a violation remains after the number of days indicated in the second notice of violation, a summons to appear in court will be issued.