

FAQ's

Where can I park a boat or trailer?

If stored outdoors, make sure it's parked on a concrete surface, brick paver pad or the same material as the driveway.

Do City Code violation notices include a fine?

Notices are a reminder to make a correction and do not include tickets or fines. If corrections are not completed or multiple violations have occurred, fines are possible.

Can I store items under a tarp shelter or under a tarp behind my garage?

No. Temporary structures such as car ports, shelters, tarped covers are all prohibited. Although items may be out of your view behind a shed or garage, they are often visible to neighbors which generates complaints from other residents.

My neighbor has an old car in his backyard that doesn't run, is this allowed?

No. Vehicles must be licensed, in operable condition and parked on a driveway surface. Vehicles stored on the grass are a violation of City Code. In operable vehicles may be parked inside of a garage out of public view.



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Can I have a recreational fire?

Yes, just make sure it is no more than a 3' diameter circle that is surrounded by non-combustible material. Fires may not be closer than 25 feet from any structure and should not be allowed to smolder with no flame present.

Can I store firewood on my property.

Yes, in stacks no higher than 6' on an improved surface (pallets, concrete, pavers, etc.) Stacked securely and neatly.



Am I responsible for shoveling the sidewalk adjacent to my house?

Yes. Snow and ice remaining on public sidewalks is a nuisance and must be cleared within 24 hours after the snow stops.

Questions? Contact Us.

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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE GUIDE

Thank you for helping keep our neighborhoods healthy and happy for the benefit of our community.



Dear Resident:

Maintaining our neighborhoods is a top priority. Neighbors and neighborhoods depend on each other to protect property values.

This is why the Cambridge City Council has adopted maintenance standards for all properties. Well-kept homes maintain their value and make your neighborhood a desirable place to live.

Residents may not be aware of these standards. This brochure highlights the most often cited codes. Please review so you know how to protect your home and neighborhood.

Contact the Code Enforcement staff at 763-689-3211 with any questions.

Building Maintenance

- Every foundation, exterior wall, roof and all other exterior surfaces are to be maintained in a professional state.

Lawn Maintenance

- Tall grasses, nuisance weeds and rank vegetative growth **must not exceed 12 inches** in height.
- All noxious weeds are prohibited. (i.e. Buckthorn, Garlic Mustard, etc.)

Parking & Vehicle Storage

- Vehicles must be **currently licensed** and street operable if stored outdoors.
- Vehicles parked/stored outdoors must be on a poured bituminous/concrete surface, continuous brick paver pad or same material as the established driveway.
- **No vehicles**, including boat trailers, utility trailers, cars, trucks, etc. are to be stored **on grass, gravel, class 5, etc.**
- No vehicle will be parked on **any public street** for longer than 6 hours, except for persons whose residence abuts a public street, may be parked for up to 24 hours.
- No commercial vehicle exceeding 12,000 GVW may be parked or stored outdoors in a residential district.

Animals

- Dogs & Cats over 6 months old shall be licensed and registered with the Police Department.
- No more than a combined total of **6 dogs & cats** over 4 months old and no more than 4 may be dogs.
- Habitual barking is defined as repeated intervals of at least 5 minutes with less than 1 minute interruption. **It is unlawful to keep a dog who habitually barks** or cries.

Garbage Containers

- Containers must be stored within rear or interior side yards. If stored in front, they must be in front of or adjacent to the garage.
- Only 2 containers may be visible at eye level by adjacent properties and total containers are limited to 4.
- **Containers** may be placed at the curb after 8:00 pm the night before and removed by 8:00 pm on collection day.

Outside Storage, Junk & Debris

- **Outside storage** of junk, machinery, furniture, household items, lumber, trash, debris, uprooted trees, stumps, rusting metal, appliances, etc. **is prohibited.**

Address Numbers

- Buildings **must have approved address numbers** plainly visible from the street or road fronting the property.

Thank you for helping protect our community property values and making Cambridge a great place to live, work and play.