

Annual Dues Collection 2023

Dear Neighbors,

Our membership dues collection drive will run from November through December 2023 this year. Our membership dues are used to pay community expenses (not covered by individual households) such as providing snow plowing for our neighborhood streets, the street lights at the neighborhood entrances, and the cost associated with our website. Our membership dues are once again **only \$25 annually**. By paying your dues, you are considered a member of the Lynnfield Civic Association and will be able to vote on community issues at our general meetings. If you are unable to contribute due to financial hardship, please contact a member of the board. We can also accept "Pay It Forward" donations to take the burden off of another neighbor. It is our goal every year to have 100% participation in our membership dues drive. Please submit your membership dues to Mary Jo LoBosco, our Treasurer, at 123 Homewood Road or to your District/Street Representative as soon as possible. Payments may be made by check (payable to Lynnfield Civic Association) or cash. Please check out our website at www.lynnfieldcivicassociation.com or our NextDoor site for more information about what's happening in our community. Volunteers are welcome!

Thank you in advance for your payment, your time and your community support! Lynnfield Civic Association Board Members

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New Castle Code Enforcement & Property Maintenance

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Code Enforcement & Property Maintenance



The Code Enforcement Division works diligently every day to ensure New Castle County remains a safe and desirable place to live, work and recreate. The division focuses its efforts on gaining compliance with all county laws that may affect the quality of life in our neighborhoods and the general welfare of our citizens.

We accomplish this through a fair and unbiased enforcement program where we:

- Investigate complaints regarding violations of county zoning, property maintenance and building codes
- o Inspect and monitor over 1,100 vacant properties each month
- Conduct sweeps in troubled neighborhoods

Please note: Code Enforcement cannot enforce other laws/codes or violations on public streets and other areas. Complaints regarding vehicles parked on a public roadway and not on a resident's property should be referred to the New Castle County Police at their non-emergency number of (302) 573-2800 to provide pertinent information.

Should you wish to report a concern regarding a property located within unincorporated New Castle County, please use one of the following methods:

- o Online property maintenance complaint system
- o Telephone at (302) 395-5555
- Email at Propertymaintenance@newcastlede.gov
- In person at the New Castle County Government Center, 87 Read's Way, New Castle

When reporting a code issue, please provide a specific address with as much detail as possible regarding the issue in question. This will help Code Enforcement identify the correct property and begin an investigation more quickly.

Please note: For your personal safety, please do not trespass on someone else's property or aggressively confront the property owner in an attempt to settle the matter yourself.

For more information (or larger print) go to:

https://www.nccde.org/250/Code-Enforcement-Property-Maintenance https://www.nccde.org/253/Property-Maintenance-Violations



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Property Maintenance Violations

Inspecting for Code Violations

New Castle County's code inspectors respond to complaints regarding potential code violations by inspecting the property. Violations that constitute a significant safety hazard - such as an old refrigerator without the doors removed that is sitting out of doors - are followed by a directive to correct immediately. A list of the most common code violations may be found below.

County Code Enforcement applies the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 edition, as amended by local amendments. Please visit our <u>Code Enforcement page</u> for more information.

A Violation Could Mean a Ticket

Property maintenance violations could mean a ticket for each violation. Upon receiving a complaint, Code Enforcement will perform an inspection. Code Enforcement will send a letter to the property owner listing all violations found which are subject to ticketing and give a time frame to correct the violations. Should the violation still exist when the property is again inspected, a ticket will be issued. If the violation is still not corrected, additional tickets may be issued until it is fixed.

The cost of the first ticket is fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each violation. If a violation is not corrected after issuance of the first ticket, then the owner of the property will be subject to, and liable for, additional tickets in the amounts of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for the second ticket, and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for subsequent tickets for the same infraction within one year of the date of the notice of violation.

Report a Concern

Should you wish to report a concern regarding a property located within unincorporated New Castle County, please use one of the following methods:

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Most Common Violations in Residential Areas

- Overgrown grass and weeds: Grass and weeds must be maintained at a height of eight inches or less.
- Structures in disrepair: Doors, windows, roofing, as well as accessory structures such as sheds and fences, must be maintained in good repair.
- Vehicles: Motor vehicles and trailers on your property must be operable and have up-to-date registration. Vehicles, including boats and boat trailers, must be on a hardened surface.
- Debris and junk: The yard should be free of debris, miscellaneous junk, branches, etc.
 Appliances and bulk items such as stoves, refrigerators, furniture and tires, are considered debris and must not be left out on the property.
- Trash: Trash and garbage awaiting pick up should be stored in lidded containers at all times.
- Animal feces: Should not be allowed to accumulate. Droppings should be cleaned up daily.
 Enforced through the police, pet owners are responsible for cleaning up feces deposited by their pets on others' properties within one hour.
- Swimming pools: All pools capable of holding more than two feet of water (including aboveground pools) require a building permit. All pools must meet strict requirements including fencing, self-latching gate and, if applicable, electrical standards.
- Vacant homes: Any home that is vacant must be maintained as if it were occupied. The grass and shrubs must be trimmed, the exterior in good repair, and doors and windows secured.
- Home based businesses: There are many restrictions on home-based businesses to protect
 the residential nature of the community. Before beginning a home-based business, check
 with Land Use regarding the regulations and restrictions. Also, be certain to check your
 community's deed restrictions.

