

Code Enforcement

Mission:

To provide fair, sensitive, and timely responses to the concerns of the residents of Hawaiian Gardens in order to maintain and enhance the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

The Code Enforcement Division responds to complaints from citizens and other agencies regarding the enforcement of all Municipal Code regulations and Ordinances within the City of Hawaiian Gardens.

To help facilitate compliance with the City's standards, the City Council has initiated a program to help provide residents with an understanding of the Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code as it relates to some of the more common code enforcement issues.

Other brochures in the series discuss the following issues:

- Abandoned Vehicles
- Canopies/Small Tents and Tarps
- Graffiti
- Trash and Debris
- Vendors and Peddlers

Pride and Responsibility

It is the City's goal to achieve voluntary compliance. We encourage tenants and property owners to take pride and responsibility in maintaining their properties.

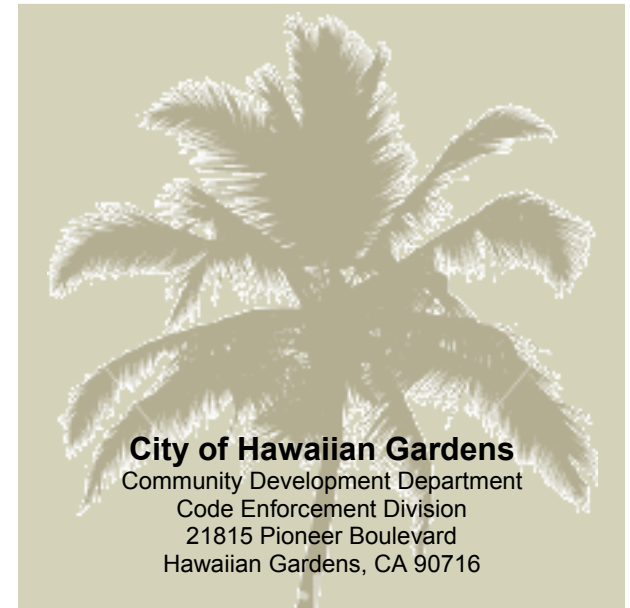
If you have any questions regarding this issue or would like to report a problem with illegal dumping or bulky items in your neighborhood, or if you would like to report another code enforcement issue, please call the City of Hawaiian Gardens Code Enforcement Division at (562) 420-2641 Ext. 221/224/277.



Example of trash cans left out.

Trash Cans, Bulky Items, and Illegal Dumping

Understanding Code Enforcement General Guidelines



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Trash Collection

The City of Hawaiian Gardens has contracted with Consolidated Disposal Company to supply commercial and residential disposal services.

Trash containers should not be placed at the pick-up location prior to the day of pick-up. The pick-up location will be from either the curb in front of each dwelling or the alley, if serviceable. Trash containers shall not be placed in the street. See the important reminders below to determine when trash and recyclable containers should be placed at the pick-up location.

Important Reminders About Garbage Collection

- Garbage and recycling containers cannot be placed at the collection area earlier than 6:00 PM the day before the scheduled pick-up date.
- Containers must be removed from the collection area by 8:00 PM on the day of pick-up.

Scavenging

Scavenging of recyclables from trash or recyclable containers or otherwise is not permitted in the City of Hawaiian Gardens. Recyclable materials placed at the curbside of residential, commercial, industrial, or public or quasi-public facilities or properties or placed for pick up by the Consolidated Disposal Company is considered discarded by the property owner and becomes the property of the City's disposal service company.

It is unlawful for any person to burn, break, destroy, scatter, scavenge, collect, or take any recyclable materials without the consent of the resident or occupant of a premises or the City's disposal company. Violation of the Code constitutes a misdemeanor.

Bulky Items

Consolidated Disposal Company has a special refuse collection service for the disposal of bulky items and items requiring special care. Bulky items include:

- Furniture;
- Appliances (for safety, remove doors from refrigerators and freezers);
- Computers, monitors, and televisions;
- Tree branches, yard debris (4 ft, 40-lb. tied bundles);
- Tires (no rims, maximum 16"); and
- Other odd items.

To schedule a pickup of bulky items and items requiring special care call Consolidated Disposal Service at 1-800-299-4898, or submit an online request at:

<http://www.consolidateddisposalservice.com>

Requests for special item pickups are limited to four (4) times per year. Contact the disposal company for further information.

A bulky item is considered oversized and requires special handling if it is over 40 lbs (25 lbs in bags) and/or has a dimension greater than 72" x 48". Certain bulky items require special handling, disposing of these items may include an extra fee, these items include but are not limited to:

- Appliances,
- Televisions and computer monitors, and
- Tires.

When you call to schedule a bulky, oversized, or special handling item pick-up, inform the disposal company of the type of item you want removed so they can deploy the correct vehicle on the day scheduled for pick-up.

Do not place any bulky items at the pick-up area prior to the scheduled date of pick up or you will be issued a citation *immediately*.

Illegal Dumping

Illegal dumping is an issue that the City and Code Enforcement takes very seriously. It detracts from the visual appearance of the City and creates hazards to the health and safety of its residents. The Municipal Code states that no person shall place, deposit, throw or dump, any garbage, swill, cans, bottles, papers, ashes, dirt, sand, rock, cement, glass, metal, dead animal carcass, offal, refuse, plants, cuttings, trash or rubbish of any nature whatsoever, or any nauseous, offensive matter in or upon any public or private property, including alleys.



Example of an illegal dumping.

Enforcement

When Code Enforcement makes a determination that illegal dumping has occurred, or witnesses an act of illegal dumping, they can initiate the Administrative Citation Process and require that the person(s) responsible clean up the site. The Administrative Citation Process includes, but is not limited to, warning notices and citations with increasing fees for each violation. Refer to the "Code Enforcement" brochure in this series for a complete discussion of the role of Code Enforcement and the Administrative Citation Process.