



Code Compliance Services  
A Division of the  
Community Development Department



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Our Staff at Code Compliance Services  
is Working Hard to Make Mesa County a  
Better Place for All of Us to Work,  
Prosper and Enjoy What the Valley Has  
to Offer

## Frequently Asked Questions

*Q: Does Mesa County have a weed ordinance?*

*A: The Mesa County Land Development Code does not include any regulations for the enforcement of weed removal or abatement. For information on noxious weeds please contact the Weed & Pest District at (970) 255-7121.*

*Q: What items can be stored outdoors?*

*A: Under current Code, in non-agricultural settings, one unlicensed vehicle is allowed in ordinary view, otherwise any items which meet the Code's definition of "junk" need to be properly screened from view.*

*Q: Does Code Compliance Services enforce my subdivision's covenants?*

*A: No, we are responsible for the Land Development Code only, which can be quite different from your HOA's covenants.*

*Q: Do I have to obtain a Building permit to put up a small storage shed?*

*A: Yes, if any structure is over 120 square feet in size, it will need a permit*

*Q: Do I need a Building permit for an Agricultural Building?*

*A: Yes, you do need site approval and a Building Permit, but you may also be eligible for a no fee, no inspections permit.*

*Q: How many animals are too many on a residential property?*

*A: The Code allows domestic livestock on a parcel of land that is one half acre or more in size. If a parcel is less than ½ acre in size a total of six chickens and/or rabbits are allowed; setbacks and limits apply in all animal confinement cases, please contact us to learn your options.*

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**The Mesa County Land Development Code was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of preserving and improving the public health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens and businesses of Mesa County.**

### **WHAT WE DO TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF MESA COUNTY**

Code Compliance Services investigates several hundred citizen complaints each year concerning property use in unincorporated Mesa County and determines if the use complies with the Mesa County Land Development Code.

### **HOW TO REPORT A VIOLATION**

To file a complaint, download a complaint form from our website at [www.mesacounty.us/Codes/](http://www.mesacounty.us/Codes/) or contact our office for a copy.

Then fill out and sign the complaint form and return it either by e-mail, US mail, or drop it off in person to Mesa County Code Compliance Services at the addresses listed in this flyer.

### **CODE COMPLIANCE SERVICES “The Process”**

- ✘ **Once a citizen complaint is received it is processed in our “CodeTRAK” data file**
- ✘ **In most cases an on-site investigation is completed by a Code Officer within 10 business days**
- ✘ **If the Officer’s observations and research confirms a Code violation, a Notice to Comply (NTC) is issued to the property owner and/or occupant, requesting compliance with the Land Development Code**
- ✘ **Follow up communications with the property owner and/or occupant are conducted in an effort to achieve compliance without penalty**
- ✘ **A formal “Notice of Violation” is only issued if the violation is not corrected after reasonable efforts and time to gain voluntary compliance are unsuccessful**
- ✘ **If the violator fails to correct the violation within the time period that the “ Notice of Violation” allows, Code Compliance Services can file a request with the County Attorney’s Office to proceed with legal action in County Court against the violator as allowed under Colorado State Statutes, Title 30**

Visit Mesa County’s website at [www.mesacounty.us](http://www.mesacounty.us)

### **CODE COMPLIANCE SERVICES CONTACT INFORMATION**

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