



## **Growth and Resource Management**

*These regulations and guidelines apply to the unincorporated areas of Volusia County.  
Please note the cities within Volusia County have their own ordinances which may vary greatly from the County.*

### **Volusia County Code Enforcement**

The purpose of code enforcement is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Volusia County.

This information is a brief review of the Volusia County ordinances designed to protect the quality of life, improve economic vitality and protect the environment. Violations of the ordinances below are the ones most frequently called in to Volusia County Code Enforcement.

Please refer to the departments listed within to report violations. You do not need to give your name when reporting a violation. If you do give your name, it becomes a public record and will be revealed if a public records request is made. For more information, please contact the Volusia County Code Enforcement Office.

#### **Lawn and lot maintenance and corner lots**

Nuisance weeds and grass shall not be permitted if the greater part of such growth on the lot exceeds 12 inches. No structure, shrub or vegetation shall impede vision of traffic in all directions for driver of vehicles.

#### **Boats parking/ storage**

Boats must be stored behind all parts of the residence that face the street and at least five feet from the lot line.

#### **Tractor-trailers and trucks**

No tractor-trailer, semi-trailer, commercial bus, cutaway van, chassis-cab or other trucks with a gross vehicle weight more than 10,500 pounds may be parked in any residential area except for loading and unloading.

#### **Vehicle parking**

In residential areas, motorized vehicles may not be parked anywhere in the front yard except on driveways. This also applies to vehicles for sale.

#### **Vehicle storage**

Any vehicle which lacks a current license plate or is inoperable may be stored only in a completely enclosed garage.

#### **Motor homes parking/ storage**

Motor homes may not be parked in the front yard and must be stored at least five feet from the side and rear lot lines.

#### **Garage sales**

Garage sales may be held by homeowners only two times per year and such sales are limited to one week for each sale. Garage sale signs may be placed only on the site hosting the sale.

#### **House numbers**

Correct placement of house numbers is on the front of the building or on a separate structure in front of the building in such a way as to be visible easily from the street. Numbers should be three inches or higher and of contrasting color with the immediate background to which they are affixed.

**Waste materials and trash**

Rubbish, trash, garbage or other waste materials must be disposed of properly and not stored on the property. For trash complaints on private property, call the Zoning Compliance Office. For trash complaints on the right-of-way, call Volusia County Solid Waste at.

**Construction**

Permits are required for most construction. To inquire whether a permit is needed or to report construction without a permit, call the Code Administration Office.

**Fences**

Regulations stipulate height and location of fences. Contact Volusia County Growth and Resource Management for details when applying for the required permit.

**Noise**

Noise that involves disturbing the peace such as loud music or parties, especially late at night, should be reported to the Volusia County Sheriff's Office. Noise generated by industrial activity or machinery should be reported to Volusia County Environmental Management.

**Beach**

Strategically placed signs inform beach visitors that dogs, glass, alcohol and litter are not allowed on the beach.

**Beach walkovers**

Walking on the dunes destroys them and essential vegetation. Please access the beach using the walkovers.

**Sea turtle nesting season**

Sea turtle nesting season is May 1 - October 31. It is unlawful to disturb sea turtles, their nests, dunes and vegetation. There are lighting restrictions for beachfront property owners effective May 1 - October 31 yearly. Lights can not directly or indirectly illuminate the beach or be visible from the beach during the sea turtle nesting season. For more information, call the Zoning Compliance Office.

**Signs**

There are restrictions on the size and placement of signs in residential areas. The posting of signs on public property, right-of-ways, utility poles and trees and or bushes is prohibited. The posting of off premises, yard sale, for sale/rent and open house signs are also prohibited. For more information, call Volusia County Growth and Resource Management.

**Watering the lawn**

Restrictions define permitted days and hours for watering. Check online at [www.volusia.org/environmental](http://www.volusia.org/environmental) for restrictions or call (386) 239-7890 for a recorded message.

**Dog restraint and cleanup**

Dogs must be restrained when outside their home. Owners are responsible for cleaning up public or private property. For more information or to report a violation, call Volusia County Animal Control.

**Pets at the beach**

All pets are prohibited on the beach. Pets are allowed, with a leash, at the Lighthouse Pointe Park in Ponce Inlet and the Smyrna Dunes Park in New Smyrna Beach. All other areas, pet owners risk a fine if caught with an animal on the beach (to include pet birds, snakes, etc.).

**Business operations in the home**

Only limited use of the home for certain types of businesses is permitted. For more information, call Volusia County Growth and Resource Management.

**Unsafe buildings**

If a building is abandoned, opened and accessible to children and transients, it is considered a danger to the community and should be reported to the Code Administration Office.