

# City of Portland, Oregon Bureau of Development Services

## **Enforcement Program**

FROM CONCEPT TO CONSTRUCTION

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Notice of Violation – New Owner Notification

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January 12, 2017

MULTNOMAH COUNTY % SPECIAL PROGRAM GROUP PO BOX 2716 PORTLAND, OR 97208-2716

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Tax #: R99221-0470 Case #: 13-207997-HS

Our records indicate you are the new owner of the above property. At the time you purchased the property, case # 13-207997-HS was open on the property for violations of the City's Property Maintenance Code, Title 29, and monthly code enforcement fees were being billed. Our records show that the case is still open and the violations on the attached list require correction, inspection and approval by a Housing Inspector.

Please contact the undersigned inspector if you have questions about the violations or are ready to request an inspection. It is your responsibility to call the inspector to arrange for an inspection.

Until you have corrected the violations and had them inspected and approved by a Housing Inspector you will be charged a monthly code enforcement fee. A lien has been placed against the property. Should this case remain open 3 months from the initial notice of violation, the monthly charges will increase to twice the original amount. Enclosed is information explaining all fees, penalties, appeals, and waivers.

Please be aware that if your property or any part thereof is vacant or becomes vacant, the code violations must be corrected and approved <u>before</u> the property or any part thereof can be reoccupied or a \$708.00 penalty will be charged per month until the occupation is discontinued or the case is closed.

Please contact the inspector listed below if you have any questions.

Mike Masat
Housing Inspector
(503)-823-7347, Michael.Masat@portlandoregon.gov

## LIST OF VIOLATIONS

#### Uncorrected violations from November 27, 2013 letter:

- 1. Fire Life Safety Violation: Dwelling unit lacks required electrical service. 29.30.190
- 2. **Fire Life Safety Violation:** Window(s) are damaged, boarded, broken, and/or missing. 29.30.090
- 3. **Health Sanitation Violation:** Trash and debris have accumulated on the **exterior** property areas creating unsanitary, hazardous conditions. Any time limit on a City of Portland Nuisance Posting on this property takes precedence over the time limits on this Housing Code case. 29.30.140
- 4. Portions of chimney above the roofline have deteriorated mortar joints and/or missing bricks. 29.30.040
- 5. Portions of front porch decking are damaged, deteriorated and or missing. 29.30.070
- 6. Portions of exterior paint are peeled to bare wood. 29.30.060
- 7. Portions of soffits and/or fascia are deteriorated, damaged, and/or missing. 29.30.060
- 8. Portions of gutters and/or downspouts are damaged, deteriorated, and/or missing. 29.30.030
- 9. Portions of roof covering are deteriorated, damaged and/or missing. 29.30.030

### Additional violations from November 20, 2013 reinspection:

10. Corrected, January 22, 2014: Fire Life Safety Violation: An occupied motor home has been identified at this property. A motor home is not approved for occupancy within the City of Portland unless it is located in an approved trailer park or campground with approved electrical and plumbing connections. Please discontinue the occupancy, and call the above Housing Inspector for an inspection to verify compliance. 29.50.050

### <u>Additional violations from January 22, 2014 reinspection:</u>

- 11. **Fire Life Safety Violation:** Dwelling unit lacks required water service. 29.30.170(a)
- 12. **Health Sanitation Violation:** Trash and debris has accumulated on the interior of the dwelling unit creating unsanitary conditions, a breeding area for insects, and a fire hazard. 29.30.140(b)
- 13. **Health Sanitation Violation:** Portions of kitchen floor coverings are damaged, deteriorated and/or missing, resulting in a possible moisture penetration of the subflooring and the inability to maintain the floor in a clean and sanitary condition. 29.30.110(a,b)

# LIST OF VIOLATIONS

- 14. Fire Life Safety Violation: There are unapproved splices in the wiring. 29.30.190
- 15. **Fire Life Safety Violation:** Unapproved and/or excessive use of extension cords, creating possible fire hazards. 29.30.190
- 16. **Health Sanitation Violation:** Portions of kitchen cabinets/cupboards are damaged and/or missing. 29.30.270(a,b), 29.30.110(a)
- 17. **Fire Life Safety Violation:** Back steps lack a required approved safety handrail not less than 30" nor greater than 38" high, that is continuous the full length of the stairs with ends that turn into the wall or butt into a post. 29.30.080(b,c)
- 18. **Fire Life Safety Violation:** The garage is being occupied as unapproved habitable space. This area does not meet minimum requirements for habitable space, including but not limited to: . 29.30.200(a,b), 29.30.090(b), 29.30.110(a)

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## Fees, Penalties, Reviews, Appeals, and Waiver Information

#### **FEES**

If all Fire, Life, Safety and/or Health, Sanitation violations <u>are not</u> corrected, inspected, and approved by a City Housing Inspector within thirty (30) days of the mailing date of the first violation letter, a lien may be placed against the property. If all other violations <u>are not</u> corrected, inspected and approved by the Housing Inspector within sixty (60) days of the mailing date of the first violation letter, a lien may be placed against the property. The monthly fee is based on the number of units on the property and the number of units in violation.

1-2 Units \$257,00 per unit	3 – 10 Units \$386.00 per unit	1	20 or more Units \$643.00 per unit	Residential with Any Non-Residential use & Properties with only Non-Residential use \$643.00 per unit
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An additional auditor charge of 10% will be added to the above amounts, along with a possible recording fee. The monthly fees will double for any property that remains in violation for three (3) months from the initial notice of violation. Pursuant to Portland Policy Document ENB 12.07, property owners or their representative may request a review of assessed liens/fees for potential reduction once an enforcement case is closed.

**Re-occupation After Notice of Violation:** A \$708.00 per month penalty will be assessed if the property or any part thereof is vacant or becomes vacant and is reoccupied before all violations are corrected, inspected, and approved by the City's Housing Inspector. This is in addition to the monthly code enforcement fees and is assessed per occurrence.

<u>Hearings</u>: A \$359.00 penalty will be assessed if the City files a complaint with the Code Hearings Officer regarding the continued existence of violations on the property.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW - Do Violations Exist?

- Pursuant to 3.30.040.E.8, as the property owner or authorized agent, if you believe the finding of the notice was in error you may request an Administrative Review within 15 days of the posting notice or within 15 days of the first violation notice. Code enforcement fees will continue to accrue during the review process.
- If additional violations are cited, any property owner or authorized agent may also request an Administrative Review
  of additional cited violations within 15 days of the date of the notice citing those additional violations.
- An Administrative Review Fee of \$125.00 is due when the written request for an Administrative Review is received. This fee will only be refunded if it is determined that all of the contested violations were cited in error.

The written request, along with the \$125.00 Administrative Review fee, must be received in our office within 15 days of original notification and must state the reason(s) for the review. Please make the check payable to the City of Portland. Compliance timelines and enforcement actions remain in effect during the Administrative Review process.

Mail requests to:

Bureau of Development Services
Neighborhood Inspections & Compliance Services Section
Review/Appeal Desk
1900 SW 4th Avenue Suite 5000
Portland OR 97201

Your request should indicate if you or a representative of the property owner will be appearing in person for the review. If so, we will notify you and/or your representative of the date and time of the review. A written determination will be mailed following the review, which will include additional appeal information as set forth in Section 29.80.020.

#### Code Enforcement Fee Waivers (Housing Cases)

A waiver provides for temporary suspension of code enforcement fees assessed against a property. Waivers are available on a limited basis. Call 503-823-0891 for more information or to request an application.

#### Income-Based Waiver

Upon approval of this waiver, monthly Code Enforcement Fees may be suspended for (twelve) 12 months. The following requirements must all be met before the waiver may be granted:

- All cited fire, life safety, health or sanitation violations must be corrected, inspected and approved by the Housing Inspector; or the property is vacant with no significant exterior fire, life safety, health or sanitation violations; and
- 2. The property is clear of any other code violation administered by BDS; and
- 3. The housing case is currently open; and
- 4. The dwelling is a one or two family residence; and
- 5. The property owner(s) must meet the income requirements by providing required documentation;
- 6. The property is owner-occupied or vacant.

#### **Residential Renovation Waiver**

Upon approval of this waiver, monthly Code Enforcement Fees may be suspended for up to six (6) months. Please note: If permits are required, they must be paid for and issued before the waiver will be granted. These requirements must all be met before the waiver may be granted:

- All cited fire, life safety, health or sanitation violations must be corrected, inspected, and approved by the Housing Inspector; or the property is vacant with no significant exterior fire, life, and safety violations; and
- 2. The property is clear of any other code violation administered by BDS; and
- 3. The housing case is currently open; and
- The building is attached to a permanent foundation or has an issued and active permit for foundation work; and
- 5. Paid and issued building permit fees of at least
  - A. \$500 or a project value of \$15,000 for one and two family dwellings; or
  - B. \$1,000 or a project value of \$30,000 for properties with 3-10 units; or
  - C. \$1,500 or project value of \$45,000; for properties with 11-19 units; or
  - D. \$2,000 or project value of \$60,000; for properties with 20+ units
- A submitted work plan that demonstrates a project valuation of non-permit work to be done (or a combination of permit and non-permit work that demonstrates the required valuation as listed above) to rehabilitate the property.
- 7. A completed waiver application must be received in addition to the above listed requirements before a waiver can be considered.

# Exterior Paint and Roof Waiver (no application required)

Upon approval of this waiver, monthly Code Enforcement Fees may be suspended for nine (9) months. The following requirements must be met before the waiver may be granted:

- 1. The property is a residential 1or 2 family dwelling,
- 2. All property maintenance violations with the exception of exterior paint and roof work, must be corrected, inspected, and approved by the Housing Inspector; and
- 3. The property is clear of any other code violation administered by BDS; and
- 4. The housing case is currently open.

# New Owner Grace Period (no application required)

Upon approval of this waiver, Code Enforcement Fees may be suspended for one (1) month. The following requirements must be met before the waiver may be granted:

- 1. The new owner acquired the property with preexisting housing violations of Title 29; and
- 2. The existing liens have been satisfied or paid current and the City Auditor's Office has notified BDS of a new owner; and
- 3. The case is currently open.

Active Permit, Demolition, Non-Profit and Warehouse Waivers: Call the Waiver Desk at 503-823-0891 for more information.

Free Home Repair Assistance Grants are Available for Low Income Owner Occupied Property Owners that earn 50% or less of median family income. For more information and to see if you qualify please visit the Portland Housing Bureau website at http://portlandoregon.gov/phb/article/430363.

All information is subject to change.