

## **OUTSIDE STORAGE LIMITATIONS**

No outside storage is permitted, with the exception of firewood and lawn furnishings.

## **DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATIONS**

The county permits door-to-door solicitations only if the person has registered with the county's business license office. A registration badge must be worn by solicitors and will include their name, address, organization and a photograph. Solicitation without a registration badge is prohibited. County police will respond to reports of unregistered solicitors.

## **TEMPORARY SIGNS**

These include weekend directional signs providing directions to a specific place such as new subdivisions, church or community gatherings or yard sales. There should be only one weekend directional sign for any given place or event per 300 feet of road which must be placed five feet outside the right-of-way. These signs are allowed from 3 p.m. on Friday through midnight Sunday only.

**With any of these violations, the appropriate person is placed on notice of violation and given 10 days to comply with the code section. If found still in violation after this time frame, a citation is issued to appear before a magistrate judge.**

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## **PENALTIES**

Any person who violates any provisions of articles I through V of Chapter 134, after conviction upon a citation issued to the Magistrate Court of Cobb County, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 36-1-20, may be incarcerated for a period not to exceed 60 days and/or shall be fined an amount as established below for violations within any 12 month period:

FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION, A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$100, NOR MORE THAN \$1,000.

FOR THE SECOND VIOLATION OF USE LIMITATIONS GOVERNING OUTSIDE STORAGE, TRAFFIC AND PARKING STANDARDS OR JUNK CAR REGULATIONS, A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$600, NOR MORE THAN \$1,000.

FOR THE SECOND VIOLATION OTHER THAN USE LIMITATIONS GOVERNING OUTSIDE STORAGE, TRAFFIC AND PARKING STANDARDS OR JUNK CAR REGULATIONS, A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$300 NOR MORE THAN \$1,000.

FOR THE THIRD VIOLATION OF USE LIMITATIONS GOVERNING OUTSIDE STORAGE, TRAFFIC AND PARKING STANDARDS OR JUNK CAR REGULATIONS, A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$800, NOR MORE THAN \$1,000.

FOR THE THIRD VIOLATION OTHER THAN USE LIMITATIONS GOVERNING OUTSIDE STORAGE, TRAFFIC AND PARKING STANDARDS OR JUNK CAR REGULATIONS, A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$600 NOR MORE THAN \$1,000.

FOR THE FOURTH AND EACH SUCCESSIVE VIOLATION OF ANY SECTION OF CHAPTER 134, A FINE OF \$1,000.

# COMMON VIOLATIONS FOUND

# IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS



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For more information, contact:

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The following are general zoning guidelines. More detailed information is available in the county code or online at [www.cobbcounty.org](http://www.cobbcounty.org) on the County Clerk's Web page or by calling the Code Enforcement Office at (770) 528-2180.

## **PARKING**

Vehicles must be parked along the curb, facing in the direction of traffic flow, have a valid tag and be operational. (Enforced by Cobb Police)

Vehicles may not be parked in designated No Parking areas, where they block access to private driveways or where they restrict the safe flow of traffic. (Enforced by Cobb Police)

There are no county restrictions on the length of time a vehicle may be parked on a residential street. (Enforced by Cobb Police)

Vehicles may not be parked in the grass or unimproved surface between the roadway and the home's front setback.

No materials, equipment or business vehicles may be stored or parked on the premises, except for one business vehicle, used exclusively by the resident.

A vehicle used as commercial transportation with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight greater than 12,500 pounds is not allowed to be parked on residential property.

## **JUNK CARS**

Residents cannot store a vehicle or trailer of any kind dismantled, inoperative or without a current tag on any street or residential property. Exceptions include vehicles or trailers in a completely enclosed building, on property zoned Heavy Industrial or with a Special Land Use Permit.

## **SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING**

Residents cannot have more than six unrelated people living in a single-family dwelling. Must have 50 sq. ft. of sleeping space per occupant excluding bathrooms, kitchen facilities, closets, halls, storage areas, utility areas, unfinished basements and garages.

## **PERSONAL VEHICLE SALES**

No more than three (3) personal vehicle and/or equipment sales are allowed per calendar year on any one parcel of property.

## **FENCES/WALLS**

Any fence or wall adjacent to a public road right-of-way and within a residential front yard cannot be more than six (6) feet in height.

Fences or walls at the rear of a residence cannot exceed eight (8) feet in height. The height limitation includes posts and ornaments on top of the fence or wall.

## **ACCESSORY STRUCTURE**

Accessory buildings and/or structures must be located to the rear of the primary house. Accessory buildings and/or structures less than 650 square feet must be no closer than five (5) feet from the property line. Buildings and/or structures larger than 650 square feet must be no closer than 100 feet from the property line.

If the building and/or structure is on a corner lot, it cannot be any closer to the side street than the house itself.

## **YARD SALES**

Estate sales, yard sales, bakery sales, garage sales, bazaars and the like are limited to three (3) weekends per year and cannot exceed three (3) days per sale.

## **GARBAGE COLLECTION**

Garbage collectors may not operate between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Garbage cans can only be placed at the curb the evening before collection and should be removed by 11 p.m. on the day of collection.

## **LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY**

Livestock and poultry animals are only permitted on a lot of two acres or larger. All animals will be maintained at least 10 feet from any residential property line.

## **LEASH LAW**

Animals are required to be on a leash when outside unless contained by a fence. Pet owners are responsible for collecting animal waste and disposing of it properly. Contact Cobb County Animal Control at (770) 499-4136 to report violations.

## **HOME BUSINESS**

Restrictions:

- No signs, products or equipment are permitted around the exterior of the home.
- All business activities must occur inside the home.
- No outside employees are permitted to work in the home or to gather at the home for work purposes.
- No more than 25 percent of the home may be used for the business.
- No commercial deliveries are permitted to home businesses.
- No customers or clients are permitted to visit home businesses except for tutoring or musical lessons.

## **IN-HOME DAY CARE**

Child care in a single-family home is limited to a maximum of six children for whom compensation is received.

- The child care cannot create a nuisance to immediate adjacent property owners.
- Parking must be provided for child pick up and drop off on the property.
- No employees are permitted.