**About Code Enforcement**

Code Enforcement works in partnership with the people of San Diego to promote and maintain a safe and desirable living and working environment; to improve the quality of San Diego's neighborhoods through education, enforcement, and abatement; and to respond to community concerns and attain code compliance while maintaining high professional standards and continually seeking improvements and innovations.

**Improving the Quality of Your Community**

Code Enforcement helps maintain or improve the quality of your community in three ways:

* **Administering** a fair and unbiased enforcement program to correct violations of property conditions and land use requirements.
* **Working** with the [Police Department](https://www.sandiego.gov/police), the Housing Commission, community volunteer groups, public service agencies, and other interested people to:
	+ **Facilitate** voluntary compliance with City laws and codes.
	+ **Empower** community self-help programs.
	+ **Develop** public outreach programs.
	+ **Establish** community priorities for the enforcement program.
* **Participating** with special programs targeted toward specific problems in San Diego communities. These programs include:
	+ Drug Abatement Response Team
	+ Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program
	+ Vacant and Unsecured Properties
	+ Accessibility Code Enforcement
	+ [Posting of Public Notices Regarding Slavery and Human Trafficking](https://oag.ca.gov/human-trafficking/sb1193)

Code Enforcement is a division of the Development Services Department.

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Monday through Thursday

8 a.m. to 3 p.m

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10 a.m. to 3 p.m

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7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Appointments are encouraged scheduled by the Inspector or Investigator

**On-Line Request for Investigation Form**

<https://www.sandiego.gov/ced/report/investigation>

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**Enforcement and Priorities**

**Priority I Cases**

*Imminent Health and Safety Hazards*

* Dangerous/Unstable Structures
* Inadequate barriers for swimming pools/spas
* Leaking sewage
* Live, exposed electrical wires
* Uninhabitable living conditions

**Priority II Cases**

*Significant Code Violations*

* Abandoned Properties
* Disturbance of environmental resources
* Substandard housing conditions
* Unpermitted grading

**Priority III Cases**

*Other Code Violations and/or Conditions Adversely Impacting Quality of Life*

* Accessory structures
* Adult entertainment
* Billboards
* Building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical violations
* Disabled access
* Discretionary permit violations
* Elimination of off-street parking
* Excessive storage
* Fence/wall violations
* Food trucks
* Garage sales
* Garages illegally converted to living space
* Garages used for storage
* Historic Sites
* Illegal dwelling units
* Illegal marijuana dispensaries
* Illegal uses
* Landscaping
* Lighting onto adjacent property
* Mobilehome Park routine inspections
* Newsracks
* Noise (animal, other nuisance) per parameters in SDMC
* Outdoor merchandise displays
* Parking in front yard
* Pushcarts
* PVPO (Property Value Protection Ordinance)
* Recreational vehicles/boats on private property
* Recycling facility
* Removal of required landscaping
* Residential High Occupancy
* Residential care/rehab facilities
* Setback violations
* Short term vacation rental
* Sidewalk cafes
* Signs
* Street trees
* Unpermitted businesses
* Unpermitted construction
* Unpermitted demolition
* Vehicle repair in residential areas