

Summaries of City Codes Regarding Grass, Debris, and Junk/Derelict Vehicles

Grass

On improved property (with house), the grass cannot be higher than 12 inches. The entire property must be mowed.

On unimproved property (vacant lot), the grass cannot be higher than 18 inches. The owner must cut a 20-foot buffer from the street and any developed property.

To report a possible violation, call the City of Rock Hill Neighborhood Inspections office at 803-329-7014. A person does not need to give his/her name to file a report.

The City usually sends an inspector within 24 hours (calls can back up during summertime). The inspector takes pictures and, if there is violation, sends a letter to the owner. The City gives the owner 10 days from receipt of the letter to take care of the problem. An owner who fails to comply may be summoned to Environmental Court and/or have liens placed against the property.

Debris

Property must be kept clean. Junk piles, trash, appliances, etc. left out in front or back yards are ordinance violations. Items placed out for trash collection earlier than the day before scheduled pickup may result in fines.

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Junk/Derelict Vehicles

Vehicles parked on private property must be kept in operable condition and have current tags and registration. A vehicle being restored or repaired must be kept in an enclosed building (like a garage) or under a carport. A junked/derelict vehicle is one that is wrecked, dismantled, or inoperable condition. Or it lacks current tags and registration. An owner who has received a citation for a junk/derelict vehicle and has not repaired, registered, or removed the vehicle from the property, is subject to having the vehicle towed.

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