



City of Medford

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Help Prevent Uncontrolled Vegetation During Fire Season

As the Rogue Valley transitions into summer, uncontrolled vegetation poses a significant fire threat for area homes and property. Mowing and thinning greatly decreases fire threats. To reduce the risk of fire, Medford Police Department's Code Enforcement Division enforces Municipal Code 7.430 pertaining to uncontrolled vegetation from June through September each year.

Medford's Code prohibits any owner or occupant of real property from having grass, weeds, brush or bushes, or any like vegetation, over a height of ten inches. This Code is in effect from June 1 through September 30 in any calendar year. There are a few exceptions:

- Any crop grown and maintained for agricultural purposes, or grass or other like vegetation grown and maintained for pasturage upon property fenced, zoned, and otherwise lawfully used for said purpose
- Ornamental shrubs, bushes, or other like vegetation maintained and kept in a landscaped yard or place
- Any "natural area" within a public park in the City of Medford

The City works with property owners to eliminate fire hazards. However, owners found to be out of compliance are subject to fines. In addition, the City may abate the hazard and the property owner will be billed for the cost.

To report tall weeds and grass, call Medford Police Department's Code Enforcement Division at (541) 774-2016 or submit complaints electronically through the City of Medford website at www.ci.medford.or.us. Select Code Enforcement from the list of City Departments on the homepage.



City Regulations Yard/Garage Sales and Signage

Are you planning to have a garage or yard sale this summer? Medford regulates sales as well as sign placement to ensure public safety and prevent retail sales in residential areas.



- You are allowed three garage/yard sales per year, per location
- Sales are limited to household goods and equipment, plants, clothing, furniture, etc.
- Individual sales shall not exceed two days
- The hours of operation shall be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Signs or boxes must be placed outside the public right-of-way, which includes sidewalks, curbs, and planting strips
- Signs may not be attached to utility poles, walls, hydrants, bridges or trees in the public right-of-way
- Signs may not be attached or posted on vehicles parked in the public right-of-way or on public property

Yard/garage sales and signage are regulated pursuant to Municipal Code Sections 6.360 and 10.832. Violations are enforced through Medford Code Enforcement Department at (541) 774-2016.

Illegal Parking in Bike Lanes

With the upcoming summer season and increased usage of our parks and school playgrounds, citizens are reminded that parking in a marked bicycle lane is illegal.

Medford Police Department (MPD) has had an increasing number of complaints for vehicles illegally parked within marked bicycle lanes. Bicycle lanes can be designated by painted white lines on the ground, with painted bicycle symbols or posted signs along the curb.



While it is legal for a vehicle to stop for the purpose of immediately loading and unloading passengers, this does not mean a driver can park and wait for their passenger to arrive (exiting a school or finishing a sporting event for example).

Remember that vehicles are required to share the road with bicycle riders. MPD will be stepping up enforcement for vehicles illegally parking in all bicycle lanes. Fines for the citations can be up to \$110.00 per violation. Please help us keep our bicycle riders safe by not parking in their travel lanes.