

THE TOWN OF Batesburg-Leesville

Town Reminds Residents of Common Ordinances

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It's Spring, and we at the Town of Batesburg-Leesville would like to take this opportunity to remind our residents and businesses of a few things. We are constantly being asked about regulations for yard trash, bulk good collection, grass/weed requirements, etc. We would like to inform and/or remind residents about the most common code violations.

- As of July 1, 2015, the Town discontinued pick up of bulk items. These items should be taken to the Lexington County Collection Station (702 S. Lee Street) if you are a Lexington County resident; or to the Saluda County Collection Station (106 Albert Smith Road) if you are a Saluda County resident. If you are unable to haul the items, you may contact Advance Disposal at 803-256-7276 to arrange for them to pick up the items. There will be a fee associated with use of Advance Disposal.
- The Town continues to pick up yard debris. Items must be placed on the side of the road on the property from which they came. Limbs must be no longer than four (4) feet in length and no larger than six (6) inches in diameter. Leaves must be bagged and in bags no larger than fifty-five (55) gallons. There cannot be any other type of trash mixed with this. Only limb and leaf debris will be collected. If any of the listed requirements are not met, the items will not be collected. Any work that is contracted to be done on the property that generates yard debris, will not be picked up. The contractor is responsible for the removal of these materials.
- Grass has started to grow and one of the common questions we receive is "How tall is too tall for grass and weeds?" The simple answer is fourteen (14) inches. This height was established by Town Council.

- The Town also has adopted the International Property Maintenance Code. This code requires all properties (commercial and residential) to be maintained. There are many different requirements to this code. The most common violations of this code are: accumulation of trash/debris (this allows a place for rats, snakes, mosquitoes, etc. to live), accessory structures (this includes fences) must be structurally sound and in good repair, there can be no broken windows in any structure, all surfaces must be impervious to water, and each premise must be identified (three (3) inch numbers for residences and for (4) inch numbers for commercial properties.)

There are many more regulations that the Town does enforce. These are just a few of the most common questions residents ask. If you have questions regarding property maintenance and other code requirements, please contact Dave Bouknight, Code Enforcement Officer, at (803)532-4601 or by email at dbouknight@batesburg-leesville.org. If you are interested in reflective address signs, please contact the Batesburg-Leesville Fire Department at (803)604-7679.

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