



The Pima County Code Compliance Program investigates reported code complaints and assists property owners in correcting documented violations and maintaining their property in compliance with the Pima County Zoning, Building and Environmental codes. These codes are intended to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the community; to provide for orderly growth and development; and to regulate land use, protecting property values and preserving natural aesthetics.

What are the most common Building Violations?

- Constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, moving, demolishing a structure or building without permits and inspections.
- Installing, enlarging, altering, repairing, removing, converting or replacing any electrical, gas, mechanical, or plumbing system without the proper permits and inspections.

What are the most common Zoning Violations?

- Inoperable vehicles stored on private property.
- Open storage such as used washers, dryers, refrigerators, etc.
- Structures more than **200 square feet** without a permit.
- Structures that do not meet the required minimum distance from a property line or exceed height limitations.
- Home based business without permits.

What is a Grading Violation?

- Grading, clearing, brushing or grubbing, subsequent excavating, stockpiling or filling, terracing, road building, leveling or bulldozing more than **14,000 square feet** or more on a single residential lot without a permit.
- Grading without a permit on a non-residential development that does not require a subdivision plat or a development plan.
- Stockpiling **100 cubic yards** or more of material without a permit.
- Grading on slopes **greater than 15%** without a permit (HDZ parcels).
- Adding new pavement **greater than 3000 square feet** without a permit.

HOW TO REPORT A SUSPECTED CODE VIOLATION

Complaints regarding possible zoning or building code violations may be submitted by the following methods:

- **By Phone:** Complaints are accepted by the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) **520-724-7400**. PDEQ administers the Code Compliance Program for the Pima County Development Services Department (DSD). Request to speak to one of the PDEQ complaint coordinators who will take your information and assist you with any questions you may have.
- **In Person:** Complaints are accepted at the *Pima County Department of Environmental Quality, 33 N. Stone Ave. Suite 700, Tucson, AZ 85701*.
- **By Mail:** Complaints are accepted by mail at the *Pima County Department of Environmental Quality, 33 N. Stone Ave. Suite 700, Tucson, AZ 85701*.
- **Online:** Complaints can be submitted online at [DSD Code Complaint Form](#). Anonymous complaints can be submitted at the PDEQ website at [PDEQ Code Complaint Form](#).