

What Happens When a Complaint is Received?

Typically, a City inspector will visit the property to verify the complaint. If violations are confirmed, typically the City will then send a letter to the property owner or resident describing the complaint and requesting corrective action be taken.

Recipients of a code violation letter will:

- have an opportunity to discuss the situation with City staff, and
- will be given a specific and reasonable amount of time to correct the violation.

If no corrective action is taken, the City may issue a **Notice of Civil Violation and Order** to the property owner and/or resident. This may result in monetary fines and may be appealed to a City-appointed Hearings Examiner.

If the violation is not corrected within the time allowed, the City may charge the violator with a misdemeanor in District Court, and seek penalties and remedies upon conviction.

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Vancouver's Zoning Regulations



Domestic Animals
Kennels

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Vancouver Municipal Code 20.150 defines a domestic animal

as any animal other than livestock that lives and breeds in a tame condition including, but not limited to dogs, cats and other pets.



Vancouver Municipal Code 20.895.050 states the general requirements regarding domestic animals as follows:

NO roosters permitted



NO swine permitted

**Except potbellied pigs



NO peacocks permitted



For nuisance complaints regarding barking dogs contact Clark County Animal Control at 360-397-2488

Vancouver Municipal Code 20.895.020 outlines the requirements of kennels.

The raising and keeping of domestic animals for commercial purposes is prohibited.

The keeping of four or more dogs, which are 5 months old or older constitutes a Kennel and must meet requirements of VMC 20.895.020. This excludes veterinary clinics, animal hospitals and dog day care facilities.



How to File a Complaint

Fill out an online complaint form:
www.cityofvancouver.us/codeenforcement

Call the Code Compliance Hotline:
(360) 487-7810