

Drop off sites:

West Van Materials Recovery Center

6601 NW Old Lower River Road
Vancouver WA
360-737-1727
Call for hours and rates

Central Transfer and Recycling Center

11034 NE 117th Avenue
Vancouver WA
360-256-8482
Call for hours and rated

For yard debris pickup service
please contact
Waste Connections
360-835-7107

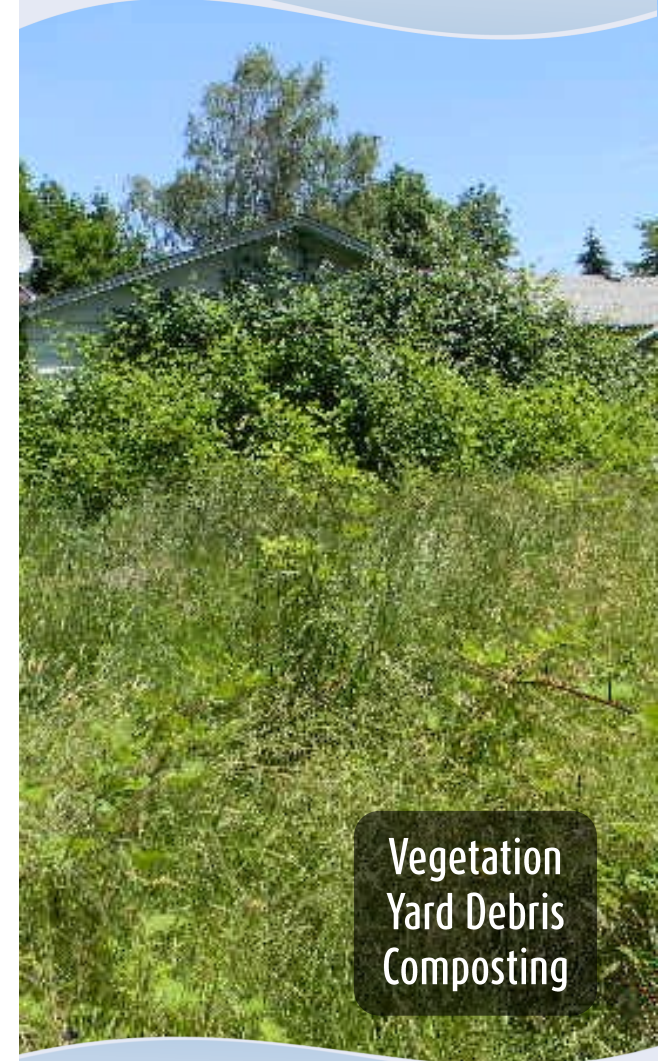
Vancouver Community & Economic Development Department

415 W 6th St | P.O. Box 1995
Vancouver, WA 98668-1995
(360) 487-7800

www.cityofvancouver.us/ced

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed 12:30-1:30 p.m. daily

Vancouver's Minimum Property Maintenance Code



Vegetation
Yard Debris
Composting

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Why did the City of Vancouver pass the Property Maintenance Ordinance?

To improve the public health, safety and welfare of Vancouver residents and improve the livability of our neighborhoods.

VMC 17.14.270 (q) addresses weeds, grass and vegetation overgrowth.

Premises shall be maintained free from uncontrolled or uncultivated noxious weeds, brush, berry vines, poison oak/ivy and grasses or plant growth in excess of 12 inches from ground level, including the area between the sidewalk and the curb.

**For information regarding noxious weeds, see the following website: www.nwcb.wa.gov



Yard Debris is defined as a “recyclable material”



Yard Debris is considered solid waste. Accumulation and/or unlawful disposal of yard debris is a violation of the Vancouver Municipal Code and may result in a Notice of Civil Violation and Order which carries penalties of \$250 per day per violation.

VMC 17.14.270 (e) addresses composting.

Visit www.cityofvancouver.us/vmc to view the full code section regarding composting.

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.

How to File a Complaint

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

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