

Why should you do a property maintenance self-inspection?

Homeowners should make a comprehensive effort to maintain their properties in order to protect livability, property values and the quality of the city's residential and commercial neighborhoods.

Taking a proactive approach to maintaining your property will significantly reduce the likelihood of code violations or complaints, save money, increase viability, improve the quality of life and reduce crime.

Can't Afford Costly Home Repairs?

Home repair assistance is available for eligible low-to-moderate income homeowners. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are awarded to the City of McKinney by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and HOME grant funds through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) provide funding for the City of McKinney Housing Rehabilitation Program.

For more information about this program or to schedule a meeting, please call 972-547-7572 or visit www.mckinneytexas.org/rehab.

Reporting Violations

If you would like to report a violation please either call or email us with your concern. Please ensure you provide the complete street address or cross-street locations along with the type of complaint.

About Us

To make sure our community is safe and comfortable for all residents, the McKinney City Council adopts ordinances, and those ordinances are developed into the Code of Ordinances referred to as the "Code". The Code Services Department staff enforces the Code to ensure McKinney continues to be a great place to call home. Our staff is here to help you understand property maintenance inspections and regulations. If you have questions or concerns, the Code Enforcement Officer assigned to your area would be happy to assist you. Please see our website for more detailed information and to learn who the Code Enforcement Officer is in your neighborhood.

Code Enforcement Does Not Address

- Vehicles in the street, call Police Non-Emergency: 972-547-2700
- Building permits, call Development Services: 972-547-7400
- Watering violations, call Public Works: 972-547-7619
- Mold, homeowner must contact an independent contractor

Contact us

972-547-7440

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410 N. Tennessee St.
McKinney, TX 75069

www.mckinneytexas.org/CodeEnforcement
Scan QR code to visit online.



Property Maintenance Self-Inspection Checklist



PROPERTY MAINTENANCE SELF-INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Grounds

(Current tenants responsibility)

Do you have?

- ☐ Grass or weeds over 12 inches tall?
- ☐ Trash, debris, garbage, or junk?
- ☐ Inoperable, unlicensed, or partially dismantled vehicles?
- ☐ Stagnant water standing anywhere on property? Unmaintained pools?
- ☐ Tree limbs/shrubs blocking sidewalks, alleys or streets or creating hazards for pedestrians or motorists?

If you answered yes to any of these questions it will be in your best interest to address them immediately.

This will prevent further deterioration and higher repair costs.

House or Building, Exterior

(Homeowners responsibility)

Do you have?

- ☐ Sagging roof lines, missing, damaged, or deteriorated shingles, or holes in the roof?
TIP: Check the eaves, fascia, and soffit for missing, damaged or rotten boards.
- ☐ Cracks or holes in the building foundation? Patch them to keep weather and varmints out.
TIP: Seek expert advice if the foundation has failed or if major settling has occurred.
- ☐ Walls with rotted wood? Broken, loose, or missing siding? Cracks or holes in walls? Cracks in mortar?
TIP: Check your chimney as well.
- ☐ Walls with cracked, blistered, or peeling paint?
- ☐ Gutters that sag, leak, have sections missing or disconnected, or are rusty and in need of painting?
- ☐ Windows that have broken panes, or torn or missing screens? Windows or doors that do not fit well within the frame, have rotted frames, or have cracked, blistered, or peeling paint on the frame and trim? Windows that do not open or lock?

- ☐ Porches and decks with missing boards or railings? Porches that have deteriorated columns or are otherwise not supported properly, that sag excessively, or have cracked, blistered, or peeling paint?
- ☐ Walls with rotted wood, broken, loose or missing siding, cracks or holes in stucco, cracks in mortar, or cracked, blistered, or peeling paint?
TIP: Be sure to check your chimney as well.
- ☐ Stairs to porches that sag or are unstable, have rotted wood, cracked or peeling paint or are missing steps or handrails?
FYI: If you have to walk up at least four steps to reach the porch, you need a handrail.
- ☐ Garages, sheds, or other detached buildings that lean, have foundation issues or any of the conditions listed above?
- ☐ Fences that lean more than 10 degrees, have boards missing, are unstable or need paint/stain?
- ☐ Sidewalks, patio or walkways with trip hazards?
- ☐ Leaking faucets, broken irrigation or uncapped kitchen/sewer cleanouts?