

WHAT DOES CODE COMPLIANCE DO?

- Enforces Land Use Violations on private & public property within Polson city limits.
- Seeks voluntary compliance to remove or alleviate condition. This is a community effort.
- Assures that the minimum level of acceptance is met or exceeded.

TYPES OF VIOLATIONS

- Nuisance
- Animals
- Auto Storage
- Junk/Abandoned Vehicles
- Public Right of Way
- Accessory Structures & Uses
- Fire Hazards
- Yard Sales
- Signs
- Vacant & Dangerous Buildings
- Refuse



Information for Complainants

A complaint is a legal action

Code complaints are vital to ensuring our community is clean and safe, but remember that we would like to work **with** you. We live here too!

Complaint forms must be signed

Anonymous forms are not accepted. If the case goes to court, the defendant may petition the court for a release of the complainant's name. The City of Polson will only release your name if compelled by a court of law.

Beginning the Process

Complaint forms available at:

- City Hall
- www.cityofpolson.com

Submitting the Form

Email: codecompliance@cityofpolson.com

Mail: 106 1st Street East
Polson, MT 59860

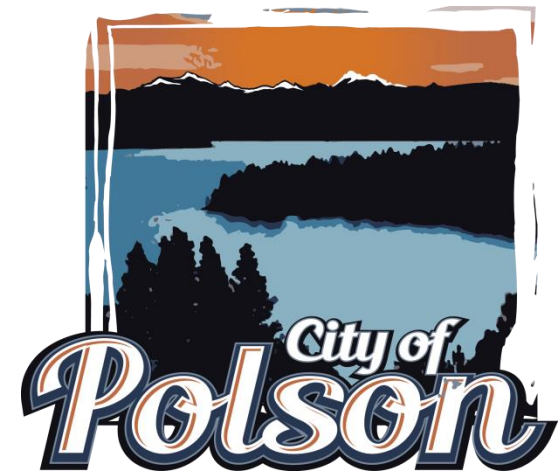
Fax: (406) 883-8238

You might wish to visit the FAQ's page before submitting a complaint.

Any questions?

Please call (406) 883-8208

Common Violations & What To Do About Them



Code Compliance

(406) 883-8208

"Working with you to keep our city beautiful."

TYPES OF CITATIONS

Civil Citation

- Provides a legal record of unlawful actions.
- Similar to a speeding ticket.
- Cases normally proceed in court without any required participation from the complainant.
- Monetary fines that is required to be paid by the violator.
- Always a possibility that you may be called as a witness.

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Your name will not be disclosed by the City of Polson, unless ordered by a court of law.

Criminal Citation

- More serious than a civil citation.
- May include not only monetary fines, but also jail time, probation, and other actions that the court may deem necessary.
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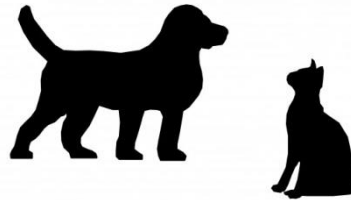
COMMON VIOLATIONS

ANIMALS:

The Municipal Code emphasizes the significance and responsibility of pet owners, and keepers are expected to meet

the requirements in PMC 13.01. Some areas regulated include:

- Too many animals
- Animals improperly kept
- 3 dogs & 3 cats per dwelling unit.
- Licensing your dog(s)



SIGNS:

Typical sign complaints are: signs placed in the public right of ways, illegal billboards and too much signage.

Polson Sign Ordinance



CLEAR VISION TRIANGLE

The negative effects of objects that hinder access and the safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles.

Polson Development Code



WEEDS:

Over grown yards or lots.

PMC 7.02.010



VEHICLES:

Inoperative Vehicles

Leaving abandoned, unlicensed, wrecked, partially dismantled, or junked vehicles on private property

PMC 7.04.010.

