



# Town of Plymouth Property Maintenance Standards

## Public Nuisance

### Article C

Nuisances prohibited; enumeration. ( Sec. 94.07)

The following conditions represent a hazard to the health and safety of Town inhabitants. As a resident or property owner, please remember to diligently identify and remove conditions immediately when they occur on your property. The failure to abate such conditions is unlawful by established town code and NC General Statute. Some conditions to look out for are:

1. Breeding grounds for mosquitoes or rats or pests
2. Vegetation/weeds over 12 inches
3. Vegetation used by rodents as a breeding ground
4. Growth of poison or noxious plants
5. An open collection of stagnant water
6. Combustibles e.g., paper, garbage, boxes, tires, trash, refuse, rags, brush, mattresses, and clothing
7. Building material accumulation not suited for construction or repairs
8. Open garbage, food waste, animal waste
9. Indoor household furniture or appliances and metal products when placed outside exposed to the weather elements.
10. Any jagged edges, e.g. metal, glass (auto parts)
11. Open accumulation of trash, refuse, cans, bottles, or medical supplies
12. Objects obstructing the view of motorists
13. Any building or structure declared to be unsafe by the Building Inspector
14. Any improper drainage as determined by the Director of Public Works
15. Any improper blockage of the natural flow of streams, creeks, surface water
16. Storm water retention device improperly used as determined the Director of Public Works
17. Any condition declared to be dangerous to public health, safety, and a public nuisance as determined by the Town Council.



## Garbage Collection

Residential customers are allowed two (2) brown goods (mattresses, furniture and non-metal goods) and two (2) extra bags of household trash not to exceed 40 lbs weekly. These items will be picked up on your regularly scheduled pick up day. If you have additional items that need to be disposed of, you can contact David's Trash Service (252-923-2742) for a special pick up or contact the local landfill.

## Yard Debris

Yard debris consists of limbs (no longer than 4 ft. in length and 6 inches in diameter), natural wood, leaves, grass clippings, and pine straw. Do not mix construction and demolition debris (nails, metal, scrap lumber, etc.) or trash in with yard debris.



## Grass

### 94.07 Nuisances

#### Section A

Weeding and tidying of premises, cutting of right-of-way; required

Any person owning real property within the town is hereby required to cut and remove therefrom all weeds and grass from both the property and adjoining right-of-way before it reached a height of 12 inches, to keep such property and right-of-way free from trash and refuse matter at all times.

## Abandoned, Nuisance and Junk Vehicles

### Chapter 90

#### Section 90.2

#### Abandoned Motor Vehicle

1. Left on the street in violation of an ordinance
2. Left on Town property for over 24 hours
3. Left on private property without the owners consent for over two (2) hours or more
4. Left on the street in the Town over seven (7) days

**Nuisance Vehicle...** declared to be a health or safety hazard

1. A breeding ground for rats, mosquitoes, or other pests
2. A point of weed growth accumulation over 8 inches
3. A point of pools of water
4. A point of quantities of gasoline, flammable or explosive materials evidenced by odor
5. One which cannot be operated from the inside with areas of confinement, e.g. a hood or a trunk
6. Vehicle in danger of falling
7. A point of collection for garbage, food waste
8. Vehicle has sharp or jagged edges, metal or glass
9. Any vehicle declared to be a health and safety hazard by the Town Council

#### Junked Vehicle

1. It is partially dismantled or wrecked
2. It cannot be self-propelled or moved
3. It is more than five years old; worth less than \$500.00
4. It does not display a current license plate



#### Exception only if not a Nuisance Vehicle

1. One junk vehicle is allowed provided it is located in the rear yard with a cover concealing it from public view
2. Town staff determines whether the cover adequately conceals the vehicle
3. Any other junk vehicle must be stored in a garage or other building structure with a complete closure. The garage or enclosure must be lawfully built according to all zoning and building code regulations