

Off-Campus Living City Codes and Ordinances Transcript

The City of Flagstaff has ordinances in place to address issues of local concern and it is important to be familiar with all of them because you can be fined if you fail to comply with an ordinance. Today we'll highlight several ordinances that are important to be aware of while living off campus.

Visit the complete [Flagstaff City Code](#) for detailed information.

The City of Flagstaff has a housing occupancy limit, and it is important for all students to learn about this code. In short, you cannot have more than eight people who aren't part of your family living together in the same dwelling.

Flagstaff's noise regulations apply Monday through Friday from 12 a.m. to 6 a.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 a.m. to 7 a.m. During these hours, it is unlawful for any person, while outdoors or within a residential unit to make noise that is clearly audible within a residential unit other than where the noise originated.

Flagstaff police officers can issue civil citations and fine anyone who is contributing to making a disturbance at a party that has five or more people, including parties held on private or commercial properties. Such disturbances may include but are not limited to excessive noise or traffic, obstruction of public streets by crowds or vehicles, drinking in public, service of alcohol to minors or consumption of alcohol by minors, fighting, disturbing the peace, and littering. Citations can be given to the host, tenant, guests, or any other organizer making a disturbance. The per person fine for a first offense is \$250. A second nuisance party within 120 days of the first will garner the violators a \$500 fine. A third party within 120 days of the second party increases the fine to \$1,000. If there is criminal activity at the nuisance party, such as underage drinking, the fines per person increase to \$500 for the first party, \$1,000 for the second party and \$2,000 for the third party. People who are at the party but not creating a nuisance will not be cited or fined; however, they may be asked to leave. A property owner can also be fined if a nuisance party is held at a property they are renting out to others.

People owning or caring for any dog should keep it upon their own premises. If a dog is off premises, it needs to be restrained by a chain, leash, rope, or cord to contain and control the dog. Dogs found within the city limits may be impounded and kept for a period of 72 hours. It is unlawful for anyone owning or caring for a dog to permit the dog to bark, bay or make any other noise, day or night, in such an unreasonable manner to disturb the peace and quiet of any person.

Parking Ordinance

The City of Flagstaff's Winter Parking Ordinance is in effect from November 1st through April 1st. There is NO PARKING on city streets or alleyways from midnight to 7 a.m. This parking restriction is enforced whether it is snowing or not. This ordinance allows crews to thoroughly plow streets for your safe travel, and it aids street sweepers in the removal of cinders following a snowstorm. The Flagstaff Police Department enforces this ordinance. If you are parked in violation of the ordinance and it is not snowing, you will receive a citation. If you are parked in violation while it is snowing, in addition to a citation, your vehicle maybe towed.

Clearing Sidewalks

Property owners and occupants are responsible for keeping the sidewalks adjacent to their property free and clear of any accumulation of snow, ice or other obstruction within 24 hours of accumulation. The ordinance also prohibits moving snow or ice onto city streets or alleys when you are clearing snow. Be considerate of your neighbors. Clear off your sidewalk after snowstorms, from deposits of snow or ice from street clearing efforts, or from any other accumulations.