

## NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS AND CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

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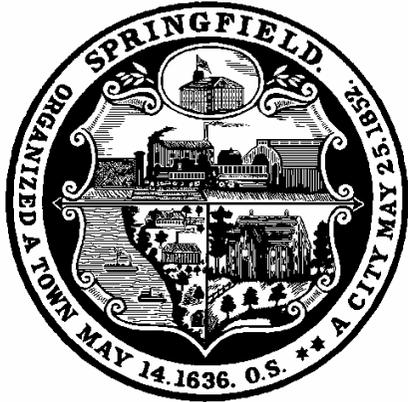


# THE GOOD NEIGHBOR HANDBOOK

Springfield Community  
Policing Partnership



A Guide to Quality of Life Regulations in  
Springfield, Mass.



Our *Good Neighbor Handbook* outlines ordinances and other laws dealing with the quality of life issues in the City of Springfield. It should be an invaluable tool to police, neighborhood groups, business associations, and concerned citizens.

Ordinances have been summarized for complete *General Ordinance* or *Zoning Ordinance* citations  
Visit [www.springfieldcityhall.com](http://www.springfieldcityhall.com)  
or [springfield-ma.gov](http://springfield-ma.gov)

The agency charged with enforcement of each ordinance has also been listed.

### **SPRINGFIELD MASSACHUSETTS POLICE: MISSION STATEMENT**

TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD BY PROTECTING, SERVING, AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO DEVELOP PHILOSOPHIES WHICH PROMOTE EQUITY AND ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CITIZENS AND POLICE TO ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT, AID IN THE PREVENTION OF CRIME, AND PRESERVE THE PUBLIC PEACE.

**Together we can make our city a better place to live and work.**

[www.springfield-ma.gov/police](http://www.springfield-ma.gov/police)

### **Commercial Vehicles**

### **Article 4.4.14-F**

Commercial vehicles over 10,000 Lbs. cannot be kept on residential land.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Zoning Department 787-7807/311

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

Commercial vehicles exceeding 12,000 lbs. or 24 ft. (including recreational vehicles) may not park on city streets for more than one hour.

Refer to **Rules of the Road, Section 5-14**

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302 Ticket: \$50

Unattached trailers cannot be parked on city streets.

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

### **Significant Trees**

### **368**

No tree which is 75 years old and over or which is three feet in diameter and over can be trimmed or cut without written approval of the City Forester.

Ticket: \$50

Information: Parks Department 311

### **Conservation Land**

City owned parcels under the stewardship of the Conservation Commission are protected to preserve our natural resources and open spaces. Only passive recreation is allowed: hiking, fishing, cross country skiing, picnicking, wildlife observation, and nature study, etc. Not allowed: motorized vehicles including: snowmobiles, dirt-bikes, and other types of all-terrain vehicles; fires; tree cutting; hunting; trapping; harassing wildlife; removing or damaging plant life; and drinking of alcoholic beverages.

Information: Conservation Commission 787-6234

### **Dumping (Massachusetts General Law)**

### **MGL 270-16)**

It is illegal to "dump" on any public or private property. If a vehicle is used, it may be seized. If convicted, the operator may have his/her license suspended.

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302

(1st Offense): \$5,500

Subsequent Offenses: \$15,000

## Land Maintenance

### Front Yards (ZO III–ZO IV)

Seventy-five percent of front yards in Residence A-1, A, and B zones and fifty percent of front yards in Residence C zones shall be planted with grass or landscaped and shall not be parked upon.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Zoning Department 787-7807

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

### Swimming Pools Article 5 Table 5-1

In-ground swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence at least four feet high. Above-ground swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence at least four feet high or shall have a ladder which is removed when the pool is not in use.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-7801

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

### Fences Article 7 Section 7.4.20

Fences in A-1 or A district cannot be constructed between the front line, the street or in a required front yard.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Zoning Department 787-7807

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

Front yard fences in residential zones B, B1 or C district cannot be higher than three feet.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Zoning Department 787-7807

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

### Signs Article 9 Section 9.6.11

Signs for professional and home occupation in residential zones shall not exceed one square foot.

Signs may not be placed in the public way without a permit from Code Enforcement

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031

Ticket: \$50, \$100 per day court fine

### Overgrowth (7.16.120 V)

Property must be kept free of grass, grass clippings, weeds, leaves, branches, or yard waste more than six inches high.

Enforcement: Police Department: 311

Ticket: \$100

### Refrigerators and Stoves (7.16.120)

No refrigerator or stove should be stored or discarded outside.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030 Ticket: \$50

## Community Action

Captain Richard LaBelle

RLabelle@Springfieldpolice.net

Traffic Unit (413) 787- 6333

### ORDINANCE

#### Quality of Life HOTLINE 3-1-1

Supervisor: Sergeant William Catellier (413) 426-8338

WCatellier@springfieldpolice.net

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Sector D Indian Orchard	Off. William Laporte	(413) 574-8455
Sector E South End, Maple High–Six Corners, Downtown and Worthington Area	Off. Tequila Taylor-Evans	(413) 574-0242
Sector F Old Hill, Upper Hill, Bay and McKnight	Off. Joel Rosemond	(413) 636-4073
Sector G Pine Point and Boston Rd.	Off. Keith Fleming	(413) 351-6085
Sector H Forest Park and East Forest Park	Off. Lindsey Ruby	(413) 574-8473
Sector I Outer Belt and Sixteen Acres	Off. William Laporte	(413) 574-8455

### Community Police Liaison

(413)- 787 - 6359

**Text a tip: Text SOLVE plus message (include city) to:  
CRIMES (274637) Press Send**

Always use 9-1-1 in an emergency.

For all non-emergency police calls where you want a police car to respond you should call 787-6302.

**3-1-1 or 413-736-3111 can be used for routine city service**

## Springfield Police Department Directory

<b>Emergency</b>	911
<b>Non-Emergency</b>	(413) 787-6302
<b>Alternate Emergency</b>	(413) 827-9301
<b>Non-Emergency Report Line</b>	(413) 750-2525 (Leave a detailed message)
<b>Police Department Front Window</b>	(413) 787-6322
<b>Clerks Office/Reports</b>	(413) 787-6310
<b>Detective Bureau</b>	(413) 787-6355
<i>Assault, Homicide</i>	
<b>Special Victims Unit</b>	(413) 787-6355
<i>Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Elder Abuse, &amp; Restraining Orders. Domestic Violence Services</i>	(413) 735-1519
<b>Sex Offender Registry</b>	(413) 787-6832
<b>Crimes Against Property</b>	
<i>Burglary, Fraud, Larcenies, &amp; Robbery</i>	(413) 787-6355
<b>Student Support (Youth Aid)</b>	(413) 787-6360
<i>Juvenile Booking, Missing Person, &amp; Runaways</i>	
<b>Firearms Investigation Unit</b>	(413) 787-6393
<i>Narcotics, Gang Task Force, Street Crimes Unit, Prostitution, Vendors, Licensing</i>	
<b>Records Bureau</b>	(413) 787-6363
<b>Internal Investigations Unit</b>	(413) 787-6383
<i>Citizen Complaints</i>	

**Sectors A, B, C, D, and G**

Deputy David Kane, DKane@springfieldpolice.net

**Sectors E and F**

Deputy David Martin, DMartin@springfieldpolice.net

**Sectors H and I**

Deputy Steven Kent, SKent@springfieldpolice.net

**Watch Commanders Office** (413) 787-6325

**Home Based Businesses** (ZO III: 307.)

An office is allowed in a residential zone in a person's permanent home only if the operator resides in the dwelling and can only be assisted at that location by other resident family members. All on-site business must be conducted exclusively by phone, mail, or computer. The operator cannot receive customers at home. **Commercial vehicles over 10,000 Lbs. are not allowed on residential property.**

Enforcement: Code Enforcement/Police Department 787-6031  
Ticket: \$50

**False Alarm Regulations** 100-20

Security alarm systems must be registered with the Police Department. Three or more false alarms in a calendar year shall result in a ticket.

Ticket: \$25 (3rd), \$50 (4th), \$100 (5th), \$200 (6th and subsequent)

**Litter in Common Areas** 327-13.M

Halls, cellars, garages, sheds, porches, and other common areas of multi-family residences must be kept free of litter.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311  
Ticket: \$100 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$300 (3rd)

**Litter on Private and Public Property** 327-13.M

**It is illegal to throw litter on occupied or vacant private or public property. Owner must maintain property free from litter at all times.**

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030  
Ticket: \$500

**Springfield Office of Housing**  
**413-787-6500**

**Register to receive messages about Community Meetings,  
Emergencies and other important community news**  
<https://member.everbridge.net/892807736725465/login>



## BUILDING MAINTENANCE

### Graffiti 201-13

Graffiti is a public nuisance. Therefore, every effort must be made to remove graffiti as quickly as possible whenever and wherever it occurs. It is unlawful for any person who is the owner, or who has primary responsibility for control of property, to permit property that is defaced with graffiti to remain defaced for 10 days after service by first class mail of notice of defacement.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement 311

It is unlawful for any person to apply graffiti. To report graffiti application in progress, call 9-1-1.

Non-criminal disposition \$300 Ticket

Criminal MGL S71 C 266 126 B

### Emergency Notification (State Sanitary Code 410.481)

All non-owner occupied housing units shall have visibly posted, the telephone number of its owner or agent for twenty-four hour emergency notification.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311, Ticket: \$50

### Smoke Detectors 178-14

All buildings containing three or more dwelling units shall be equipped with approved smoke detectors.

Enforcement: Fire Department 787-6410

### Numbers on Buildings 143-5

Street numbers, as assigned by the DPW, must be placed on buildings and maintained by their owners.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311, Ticket: \$50

### Lodgers (ZO III: 301: 7a)

Up to three lodgers rooms can be rented in a dwelling. More than three lodgers requires a lodging house permit from the City Council and can be issued only in Residence C and various non-residential zones.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311

Ticket \$100 per day court fine

### Home Occupations (ZO III: 307.13)

The only occupations/professional offices allowed in residential zones are architect, artist, dentist, doctor, electrician, hairdresser, lawyer, manicurist, musician, practitioner of acupuncture and teacher provided that the office or room is located in a dwelling in which there shall be no outside employees who are not members of the household. An architect, dentist, doctor, lawyer, and acupuncture practitioner are allowed no more than 1 employee who is not a member of the household.

**Springfield Police Department and Community facilitate a unity of effort and criminal intelligence gathering by, with, and through interagency, community, and private enterprise cooperation in order to detect, disrupt, degrade and dismantle criminal activity.**

### *The essential goals of C3 Policing:*

- Create safe and secure environment
- Promote and foster community relationships/partnerships with local, State Police, community leaders and local organizations
- Reduce gang activity and violence
- Establish positive and effective youth/parental programs

The C3 policing effort will be based in four geographical areas of the City of Springfield

## Springfield Police C3 Units

Lt. Brian Elliott: 413-244-4614

BElliott@springfieldpolice.net

***Locations are subject to change, as needed.***

### **C3 Forest Park:**

*Meetings are every Monday at 10:00 am*  
19 Oakland Street

**C3 Mason Square:** *Meetings are every Tuesday at 11:00 am*  
on Zoom weekly, <https://forms.gle/jEfrwzS9Pzxfvm76> to register

**C3 Metro/South End:** *Meetings are every other Wednesday at 11:00 am*  
510 Main Street—No meetings in August  
Office: 732-5105 southendcitizenscouncilinc@yahoo.com

### **C3 North End:**

*Meetings are every Thursday at 11:00 am*  
101 Lowell St. (community room)

**\*\*\*Locations are subject to change depending on need in the community. Please contact 413-787-6359 for updates.**

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### Playing in Streets 338-55

No one should play in a street so as to interfere with its use by others.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

### Signs on Sidewalk or Tree Belt 338-57

No advertising or directional sign shall be placed on a public sidewalk or tree belt without a license from the DPW and without posting a bond approved by the Mayor.

Enforcement: Police Department, 311

Ticket: \$50

### Handbills and Signs 118-9

It is illegal to paint or post a handbill or sign on public property, public trees, or public fixtures such as light posts, street signs, and traffic signs. The person responsible for the posting is liable for the costs of removal. Excepted are temporary signs which the DPW permitted.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

### General Prohibition Against Obstructions 338-33

No person shall place or cause to be placed in any public street, or on any sidewalk, foot-walk or crosswalk in the city, any article or thing whatsoever, so as to interfere with the convenient use of same by any person traveling thereon. (This includes Basketball Hoops) Obstruction may be removed by enforcing agency.

Enforcement: DPW and Police Department, 311

Ticket: \$50

### Littering 401-1

It is illegal to throw litter on streets, sidewalks, and public property.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$300

### Door to Door Sales 279-VII

No person shall engage in the activity of door-to-door sales unless they have a license from the Police Department. for a fee of \$25.

No cost or need for permit for a resident under 18 years of age.



## STREETS, SIDEWALKS, & PUBLIC PLACES

### Motorized Scooters **311-6**

Motorized scooters are prohibited on any city owned or controlled property. Can only be permitted on private property with express written permission of owner. The operator shall be at least 16 or have valid learner's permit or driver's license, with braking system, wearing a helmet, and riding responsibly. The City Ordinance defines a "motorized scooter" as any two-wheeled device, including but not limited to, the so-called mini-bikes, mini choppers, gas scooters, or electric scooters, that have handlebars, are designed to be stood upon or seated upon, and powered by a gas or electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion, but is not defined as a motor vehicle under the laws of Massachusetts.

Ticket: \$100 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$300 (3rd)  
*SPD has the right to impound the motorized scooter.*

### Maintenance of Sidewalks, Catch Basins, Gutters **327-13**

Persons owning or occupying property shall keep the abutting sidewalk, tree belt, catch basin, and 3 feet of street closest to the curb free of litter. Litter collected shall be placed in proper receptacles for collection as normal household rubbish. Litter must not be swept into the street.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department, 311 Ticket:\$100

### Snow and Ice Removal **322**

Occupants of single-family homes and owners of other types or property must remove snow from abutting public sidewalks, fire hydrants, and handicapped curb cuts within twenty-four (24) hours after a storm ends. Ice must be removed or sanded within twenty-four (24) hours of being formed. Snow and ice must not be thrown into any street which has already been cleared.

Enforcement: Police and Fire Department, 787-6302 Ticket:\$50

### Maintenance of Tree Belts **338-21**

Occupants of single-family homes and owners of other types of property must keep the tree belt free from litter, debris, brush, ragweed, or other noxious weed.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311 Ticket: \$50  
Criminal complaint- up to \$300 per day court fine

### Cutting Trees on Public Property **368-4**

No one can cut or trim trees on tree belts or public property without a permit from the Parks Commission

Enforcement: Park Department, 311 Ticket: \$50

### Gates or Doors **338-53**

No gate or door should swing into a public sidewalk or street.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$50

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## BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS

### Hawkers and Peddlers 279-art 1

Going from place to place selling fruit, vegetables, or fish requires a license from the Police Clerks Office

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6310  
Ticket: \$50

### Charitable Solicitations 279-21

Public solicitation for charitable purposes requires a license from the City Clerk. 787-6094.

Exempt are religious groups, schools, colleges, and political parties.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$50

### Transient Vendors 279-25

Sale of goods by a temporary or transient business requires a local transient vendor's license from the City Clerk 787-6094 as well as any necessary state licenses.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$100

### Handbills 27-1

Handbills must not be place on trees, fences, unoccupied vehicles, or buildings.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$50

### Tag Sales 351

Tag sales require a permit from the City Clerk. 787-6094

No one can hold more than 4 tag sales per year.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$50

### Sales in Streets 338-48

No one should sell any items on any street or to anyone on a sidewalk without a permit from the Springfield Police Department.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302  
Ticket: \$50

## MOTOR VEHICLES

### Abandoned Motor Vehicle in the Street 379-2

A motor vehicle may be removed from any street seventy-two hours after a police officer deems it to have been abandoned.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302 , Ticket: \$250

### Unregistered Motor Vehicles on Lots 327-14

Unregistered motor vehicles, or substantial parts of such, must not remain on a property more than twelve days.

Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311, Ticket:\$50

### Parking Motor Vehicle on Lawn or Landscape Area ZO-IV.403 4a

No Motor Vehicle shall be parked on the front lawn outside the driveway.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302, Ticket: \$50

### Crossing Property to Avoid Traffic Signals 385-41

No motor vehicle shall cross public or private property within 200 feet of an intersection with a traffic signal or stop sign.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302, Ticket: \$50

### Motor Vehicle Repairs on Sidewalks or Streets 338-43

No one should repair a motor vehicle-except for emergency repairs such as a flat tire—on any public sidewalk, street, tree belt, terrace, or public space.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302, Ticket: \$50

### Vehicles Crossing Curbs 338-44

No motor vehicle may cross a curb unless permitted by the Public Works Director.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302, Ticket: \$50

### Sales from Motor Vehicles 338-49

When stopped on public streets to sell frozen desserts and soft drinks, motor vehicles shall use front and rear amber blinker lights visible for 500 feet.

Enforcement: Police Dept. 787-6302, Ticket: \$50

### Emergency Parking Bans 385-10

During snowstorms, the City can declare parking bans on public streets. During bans, **there is no parking on even side of streets from 7 pm to 7 am and on odd side from 9 am to 4 pm.**

Flashing blue lights at major intersections indicate a parking ban is in effect. Cars can be ticketed and towed if improperly parked.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 Ticket: \$50

**Notes: City speed limit is 25 MPH unless otherwise posted.**

**Do not park within 5 ft of a driveway, or 10 ft. of a fire hydrant.**

### Permit Parking 385-39

No one may park a motor vehicle on a restricted parking street without a parking permit or a visitor pass.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 Ticket: \$50

### Engine Brake Use Prohibited 385-50 & 385-51

The use of engine brakes shall be prohibited throughout the City.

Any violation of this article shall be punishable by a fine of \$300, which fine shall be recovered by criminal complaint before a District Court, or by noncriminal disposition in accordance with MGLc.40,§21D § 21D

## Community & Police Management Teams



Each Police Sector has a Community and Police Management/ Advisory Team, composed of residents, community stakeholders and Officers. The teams meet monthly to collaborate and discuss crime information, gather community input, identify and solve problems and to strengthen community partnerships. Specific neighborhood crime and disorder problems can be brought to the team. You are invited to attend.

***These dates times and locations are subject to change as needed.***

For Information about your Sector Community and Police Meeting call the Community Police Liaison at:

<b>Sector A</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	310 Plainfield Street	6:00 pm
<b>Sector B – Hungry Hill</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	773 Liberty Street	6:00 pm
<b>Sector B1 – Lower Liberty</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	233 Franklin Street	6:30 pm
<b>Sector C</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	1437 Carew Street	6:30 pm
<b>Sector D</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday	117 Main Street (I.O)	6:00 pm
<b>Sector E</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	510 Main Street	6:00 pm
<b>Sector F</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	765 State Street	5:30 pm
<b>Sector G</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	37 Wilkes Street	5:00 pm
<b>Sector H</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	1100 Dickenson Street	6:00 pm
<b>Sector I – Outer Belt</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Feb, April, June Oct., & Dec	1395 Allen Street	6:15 pm
<b>Sector I – 16 Acres</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Mar, May, Sept., & Nov.	1188 Parker Street	6:00 pm

Locations subject to change; please call **413-787-6359** If you have questions

Visit the Springfield Police Department website at:

[www.springfield-ma.gov/police](http://www.springfield-ma.gov/police)

On Facebook:

[www.Facebook.com/SpringfieldPoliceDeptMA](https://www.Facebook.com/SpringfieldPoliceDeptMA)

or contact your Neighborhood Council or Civic Association.

## ANIMALS

### Keeping Domestic Animals

**110-2, 110-3, 110-4, and 110-5 ZO III**

All dogs, cats and ferrets over 3 months of age must be vaccinated against rabies. Dogs over 6 months of age must be licensed. Four dogs are allowed in a household provided ALL are spayed/neutered. If there are more than three dogs in a household and ANY remain reproductively intact a kennel license is required. If more than three animals and ANY remain reproductively whole, a kennel license is required.

Enforcement: City Clerk 787-6094, Animal Control 781-1484

Ticket: \$50 -\$150 can be impounded

### Rules of the Road (Horse, Pony, Mule)

**Article VIII-C**

A permit is required to ride a horse, pony, or mule on any public property, public or private way, street, sidewalk, or alleyway in the City.

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302, Animal Control 781-1484

Ticket: \$300

### Licenses and Vaccination

**110-2**

If a dog, cat, or ferret is at least 3 months, it must be vaccinated. A dog over 6 months must be licensed.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket \$50

### Restraining Dogs / Cats

**110-5**

All animals, with the exception of sterilized cats, shall be kept under restraint when in public. Dogs outside fenced areas or pens must be restrained with a leash not more than six feet long.

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302 Animal Control 781-1484

Ticket: \$50 (1st), \$100 (2nd), \$300 (3rd).

### Nuisance Animals Potentially Vicious Animals

**110-5/6**

An animal found to be a public nuisance may be impounded by an Animal Control Officer. Barking, whining, howling, or other noises audible at a distance of (100) feet from the premises housing said dog 10 min. or more shall be considered a nuisance.

Enforcement: Animal Control 781-1484

Ticket:\$50 (1st), \$100 (2nd), \$300 (3rd)

### Dangerous or Nuisance Dogs

**110-10**

A dangerous dog is one that when unprovoked: inflicts a bite or injury on a human or domestic animal; chases or approaches a person upon any public way in an apparent attitude of attack; or has a known propensity, tendency, or disposition to attack. To consider declaring a dog vicious or a nuisance, a hearing before a special hearing committee shall be held. Request a hearing in writing to the Police Department or Animal Control.

### Removing Dog Wastes

**110-11**

Dog owners or handlers must immediately remove any feces deposited by the dog(s) outside of the owner's property/city property.

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302, Animal Control 781-1484

### Humane Care

**110-8**

No dog shall be tethered for more than 5 hours out of every 24 hrs. and outside from 10 pm to 6 am, unless the tethering is supervised and for less than 15 min. No dog shall be kept outdoors in severe weather or when a weather advisory has been issued.

Enforcement: Animal Control 781-1484

Ticket: \$50 (1st), \$100 (2nd), \$300 (3rd)

### Livestock Animals Prohibited

**110-12D**

No person shall keep any livestock animals on his/her property. This includes chickens and roosters. Violations: Any person who keeps, feeds, or shelters an animal in violation of this section shall be subject to a fine of not more than

\$50 (1st violation); \$100 (2nd); \$300 (3rd or subsequent violation).

Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302, Animal Control 781-1484

**BE CONNECTED. BE HEARD. BE INFORMED**

## WASTE COLLECTIONS

**Waste Collection** **327-4.D**

For all municipal collection services listed below, items should be placed at curbside no earlier than sunset of the day prior to collection but no later than 6:30 am of the collection day. Containers and uncollected waste must be removed from curbside no later than midnight of the collection day.

**Trash Pickup Violation** **327-7**

Rubbish must be placed in automated collection containers. Leaves or yard waste must be recycled. Ticket: \$50

**Recycling Collection Violation** **327-25**

Rinse and placed in approved recycling receptacles: aluminum foil and tray; unbroken glass bottles and jars; tin cans and lids; uncapped plastic bottles coded 1 through 7; plastic tubs, cups, jars; and flattened milk and juice containers. Clean newspapers, magazines, catalogues, brown paper bags, white paper, computer paper, telephone books, junk mail, paper-back books, and flattened corrugated cardboard must be bound or placed in paper bags.

Report call 311 (736-3111)  
Ticket: \$50

**Leaves and Yard Waste Collection** **327-4.C**

Place leaves, grass, hedge clippings, garden wastes, and small twigs loosely in barrels or in approved paper leaf bags (no plastic bags). Other trash must not be mixed in. Yard waste collections occur on your recycling day from 2nd week in April through 2nd week in December. Call DPW or 311 (736-3111) for exact pick up date.

Ticket: \$50

**City Bulk Collection** **327-6.A**

The city collects large items from residents such as furniture and appliances. Doors must be removed from refrigerators prior to being placed at curbside. You must call the DPW at 311 (736-3111) for an appointment. There is a limit of five items per appointment. You must affix a sticker(s) to the item that can be purchased at Big Y courtesy booths.

**Place items out no earlier than evening before pick up.**

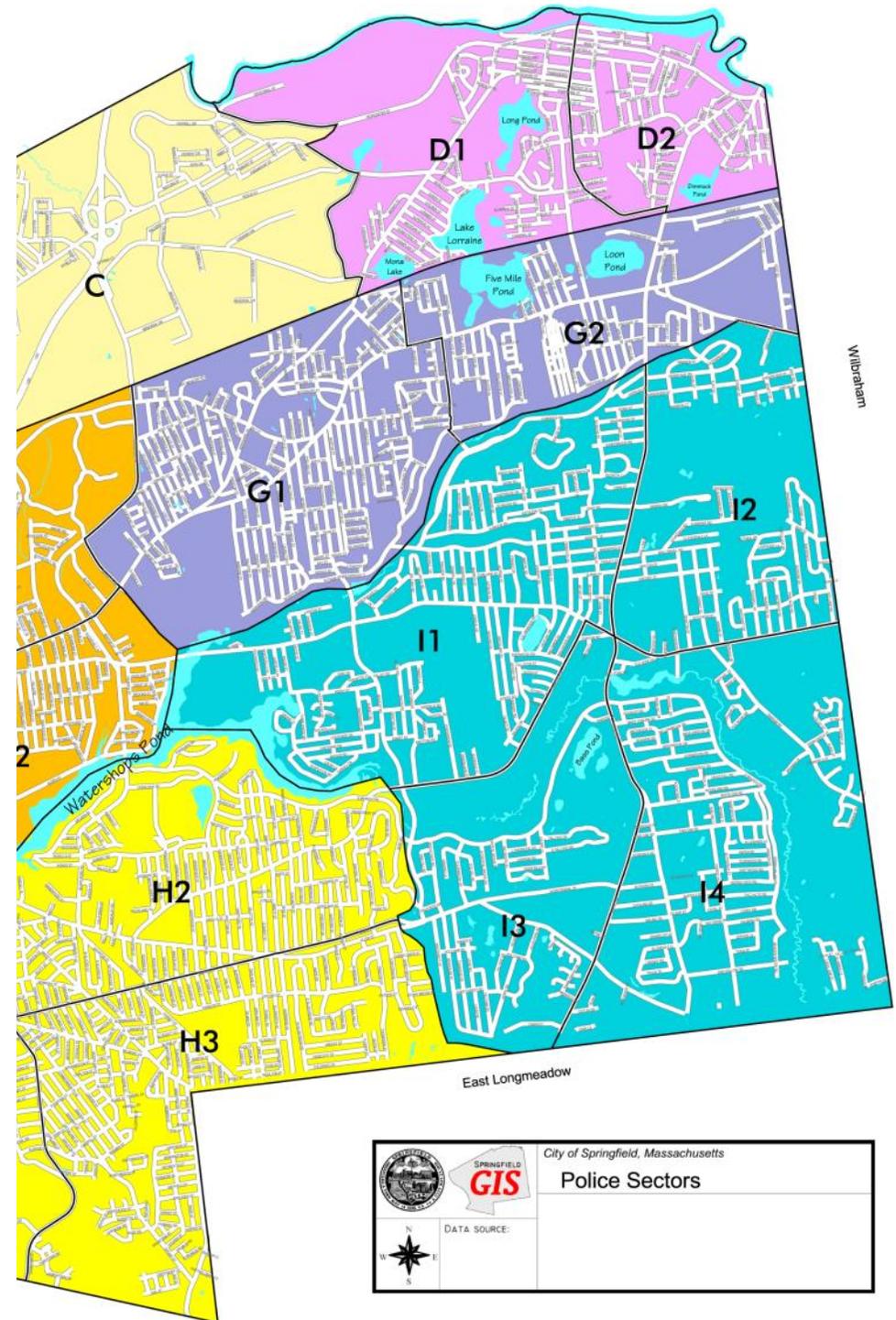
Report 311 (736-3111)  
Ticket:\$50

**Placement of Trash Containers** **27.4.31**

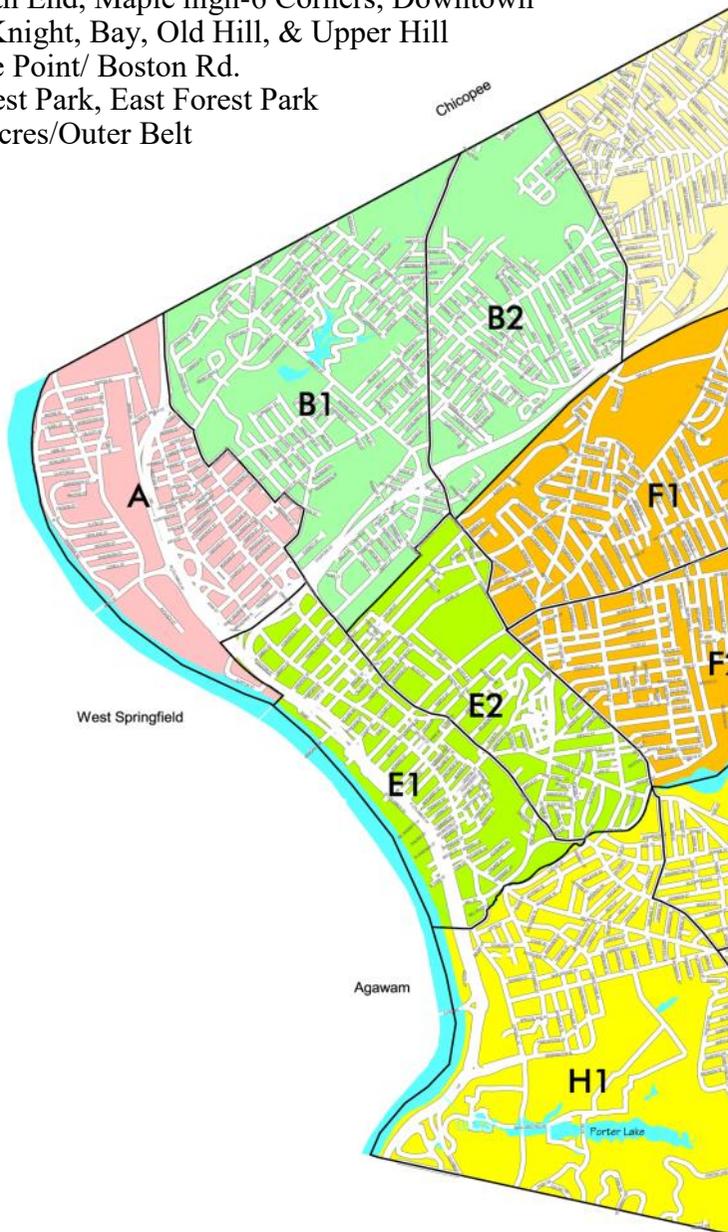
All trash containers other than one and two family dwellings shall be set back from the front property line at least as far as the primary structure. Also see: State Sanitary Code 410.560 A-F

**Garbage Collection Services Licensing** **4 01-10 (7.17.1)**

Garbage, rubbish and hazardous waste must be transported only by collectors authorized by the Director of Public Works. Said articles must be deposited only in places approved for their disposal.



- Sector A- Brightwood/Memorial Square
- Sector B- Liberty Heights
- Sector C- East Springfield
- Sector D- Indian Orchard
- Sector E- South End, Maple high-6 Corners, Downtown
- Sector F- McKnight, Bay, Old Hill, & Upper Hill
- Sector G- Pine Point/ Boston Rd.
- Sector H- Forest Park, East Forest Park
- Sector I- 16 Acres/Outer Belt



## PUBLIC PEACE AND WELFARE

### Paint Ball Guns and BB Gun 412-3

No person shall project by means of any paint ball gun, BB gun, or any air-powered weapon, any missile or substance whatsoever in or into any street or other public place.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

### Darts and Knives 412-4 & 412-5

No steel-pointed darts, pointed missiles, steel knives, machetes, or swords with blades longer than seventeen inches shall be sold to anyone under age sixteen.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

### Noise 259-12

Prohibited is unreasonably or excessive noise that is plainly audible at a distance of 100ft. or in the case of loud amplification devices or other similar equipment, noise plainly audible at a distance of fifty feet from its source by a person of normal hearing.

259-5 Outdoor Domestic Tools: 7:00 am—9:00 pm on weekdays & 9:00 am—9:30 pm on weekends

259-6 Construction/Power tools: 7:00 am & 7:00 pm. With Exceptions

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$100 (1st), \$200 (2nd), \$300( 3rd)

After the fourth within 12 months \$300

### Alcoholic Beverages 275-2

Open containers of alcohol on any public street or public property are prohibited. Exempt are events and festivals licensed by the License Commission.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

### Marijuana MGL C : 94C CO 245

It is *illegal* for a person under 21 to possess Marijuana.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$100

Use of Marijuana in any public way or area is illegal.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$300

### Loitering 240

No one should stand on a street, sidewalk, bridge, or crossing so as to obstruct the way or prevent or hinder anyone from passing.

Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Ticket: \$50

## Community & Police Beat Management Meetings

JANUARY 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	H	A	9	10
11	12	BI	D	B/F	16	17
18	19	C	21	22	23	24
25	26	G	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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15	16	C	18	B/F	20	21
22	23	G	25	26	27	28

MARCH 2026						
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APRIL 2026						
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MAY 2026						
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JUNE 2026						
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JULY 2026						
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AUGUST 2026						
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SEPTEMBER 2026						
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OCTOBER 2026						
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NOVEMBER 2026						
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DECEMBER 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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### Sector A - Brightwood/Memorial Square

Kenefick Park 310 Plainfield St at 6:00 pm. 2nd Thursday of the Month - on hold

### Sector B1 - Lower Liberty Heights

Lower Liberty Heights Neighborhood Council. 233 Franklin Street. 6:30 pm  
2nd Tuesday of the Month

### Sector B2 - Liberty Heights/Hungry Hill, Atwater

Hungry Hill Senior Center 773 Liberty Street at 6:00 pm  
3rd Thursday of the Month.

### Sector C - East Springfield

East Springfield Neighborhood Council 1437 Carew St. (behind Pottenger School) at 6:30 pm.  
3rd Tuesday of Month.

### Sector D - Indian Orchard Location

Indian Orchard Community Council at 117 Main St. at 6:00 pm. 2nd Wednesday of the Month

### Sector E - South End, Maple High-6 Corners, Downtown

South End Citizens Council 510 Main St. 1st Thursday of Month

### Sector F - McKnight, Bay, Old Hill & Upper Hill, Mason Square - on hold

Mason Square Library 765 State St. 5:30 pm. 3rd Thursday of month

### Sector G - Pine Point/Boston Rd.

Pentecostal Church of God 37 Wilkes at 5:00 pm. 4th Tuesday of the Month.

### Sector H - Forest Park, East Forest Park

Sinai Temple 1100 Dickinson St. at 6:00 pm. 1st Wednesday of Month-

**Sector I - 16 Acres/Outer Belt** Feb, Apr, June, Oct, Dec, at Talmadge Elementary School, 1395 Allen St. at 6:15 pm on 1st Tuesday. Mar, May, Sept, Nov at Clodo Concepcion Community Center 1187 1/2 Parker St. (behind Library) at 6:00 pm on 3rd Tuesday of the Month

**These dates are subject to change PLEASE CONTACT 413-787-6359 for questions or updates**