

County Code

The Jackson County Code is the code of ordinances of the county. The code contains the law of the county relating to county finances, planning and zoning, petty offenses, construction of buildings, and park operations, among many other subjects. Reference can be made to the code to determine whether Jackson County has a county ordinance relating to any particular subject.


Code Copies

For a copy of the code, or for answers to your questions about it, please contact the County Clerk's office or download PDF versions of the chapters you are interested in from the list below.

Current Code

The County Legislature enacts amendments and revisions to the County Code from time to time. The webmaster will make every effort to ensure that the online version of the code is current. However, before relying on the online code, the user is advised to contact the County Clerk to verify its accuracy.

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CHAPTER 54

BUILDING CODE

5400. Building Code.

Certain documents, copies of which are on file and are open for inspection by the public in the offices of the director of public works, being marked and designated as:

International Code Conference, 2009 Edition, published by the International Code Council; and, International Building Codes, 2009 Edition, published by the International Code Council, as modified or amended in the International Building Code Standards referenced below:

- 2009 International Building Code
- 2009 International Residential Code
- 2008 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70)
- 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code
- 2009 International Mechanical Code
- 2009 International Energy Conservation Code
- 2009 International Fire Code (as it relates to construction codes only)
- 2009 International Existing Building Code
- APWA Single Family Erosion Control Guidelines
- 2008 National Green Building Standard ICC-700-2008 (Guideline only)

2009 International Building Code Appendices

- C: Group U - Agricultural Buildings
- E: Supplementary Accessibility Requirements
- F: Rodent Proofing
- G: Flood Resistant Construction
- H: Signs
- I: Patio Covers
- J: Grading
- K: Administrative Provisions (NFPA 70)

Chapter 9, section 903.2.8, residential fire protection systems (optional).

2009 International Residential Appendices

- E: Manufactured Housing used as a dwelling unit
- F: Radon Control Methods
- G: Swimming Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs
- H: Patio Covers
- K: Sound Transmission
- M: Home Day Care R-3 Occupancy
- N: Venting Methods
- O: Gray Water Recycling Systems
- P: Sizing of Water Piping System
- Q: ICC Residential Code Electrical Provisions/National Electrical Code cross Reference

Chapter 3, section R313.2 One and two family dwellings automatic fire systems (optional).

2009 Uniform Plumbing Code Appendices

- A: Recommended Rules for sizing the Water Supply System
- B: Explanatory Notes on Combination Waste and Vent Systems
- D: Sizing Stormwater Drainage Systems
- E: Manufactured/Mobile Home Parks and Recreational Vehicle Parks
- I: Installation Standards

2009 International Mechanical Code Appendices

- A: Combustion Air Openings and Chimney Pass-Throughs

2009 International Fire Code Appendices (as it relates to construction codes only)

- B: Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings
- C: Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution
- I: Fire Protection Systems - Noncompliant Conditions

2009 International Existing Building Code Appendices

- A: Reference Standards
- B: Supplementary Accessibility Requirements for Existing Buildings and Assemblies

Exemptions:

Exemptions from the 2009 International Building Code:

- Section 101.4.2 - Property Maintenance
- Section 105.1.1 - Annual Permit
- Section 105.1.2 - Annual Permit Records
- Section 105.2(1) - Work Exempt from Permit

Building:

1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.

Section 105.2.3 - Public Service Agencies

Referenced Codes:

Any and all references to the International Electrical Code shall reference the National Electrical Code.

Any and all references to the International Plumbing Code shall reference the Uniform Plumbing Code.

as said publications may be amended, are adopted as the code of Jackson County for regulating the erection, construction, occupancy, equipment, use, height, area, and maintenance of all buildings or structures in the unincorporated area of Jackson County

and on all Jackson County-owned real property, without regard to its location within the County. Each and all of the regulations, provisions, conditions, and terms of such International Building Codes, 2009 Edition, and International Code Council, published by the International Code Council, and the secondary publications referenced above, as said publications may be amended, all of which are on file in the office of the director of public works, are referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof as if fully set out in this section. (Ord. 2101, Eff. 6/12/92; Ord. 3170, 08/28/01; Ord. 3620, 04/18/05; Ord. 3921, Eff. 08/29/07, Ord. 4098, Eff. 4/20/09; Ord. 4171, Eff. 11/23/09; Ord. 4186, Eff. 2/1/10; Ord. 4499, Eff. 2/4/13)

5401. Administration, General

5401.1 Scope.

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal, and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures.

5401.2 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

- a. Accessory Structure. A building or use customarily incident to the primary building or use on the same lot or parcel.
- b. Agricultural Structure. A structure designed and constructed to house farm implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock, or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated, or packaged, nor shall it be a place used by the public.
- c. Building Official. The person or persons who manages and enforces the provisions of this chapter, as designated by the Director of Public Works.
- d. Commercial Structure. A structure in which commercial activity occurs.
- e. Electrical Work.
 1. Installation, alteration, repair, and/or removal of any electrical equipment regulated by this chapter;
 2. Assembly, installation, wiring, and/or connection of electric lighting fixtures and extending existing circuits;
 3. Connection of new or replacement gas-fired heating equipment to existing electrical circuits, extension of existing circuits, and

County Municipal Court

County Municipal Court

In 2008 Jackson County formed a County Municipal Court to adjudicate general [County Ordinance](#) violations. The court held its 1st session in July of 2008.

Rather than the [16th Circuit Court](#), the County Municipal Court considers all tickets for general County Ordinance violations posted June 1, 2008, or later. Municipal Court dockets are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Eastern Jackson County Courthouse in the Jury Room (Room 157) on the 1st floor:

Eastern Jackson County Courthouse
308 W Kansas
Independence, MO 64050

Questions

Questions can be referred to our County Municipal Court Administrator at 816-881-1697.

All tickets on general County Ordinance violations written prior to June 1, 2008, will continue to be considered by the 16th Circuit Court. All state offenses will continue to be handled through the Circuit Court. Questions can be referred to the [Circuit Court Criminal Records Division](#) at 816-881-4500 in Independence or 816-881-4350 in Kansas City.

Violation Examples

Examples of general County Ordinance violations include food inspections, animal control, code enforcement, park citations issued by the respective enforcement department personnel, as well as traffic or other ordinance violations issued by the County Sheriff's Department.

Payments

Now you can search for your tickets by the number or name on the ticket. You can also make a payment for your tickets online using the [Online Ticket Inquiry and Payment page](#).

Related Documents

- [February 21st, 2018 Municipal Court Docket \(PDF\)](#)
- [Municipal Court Fines Schedule \(PDF\)](#)
- [Your Rights In Municipal Court \(PDF\)](#)

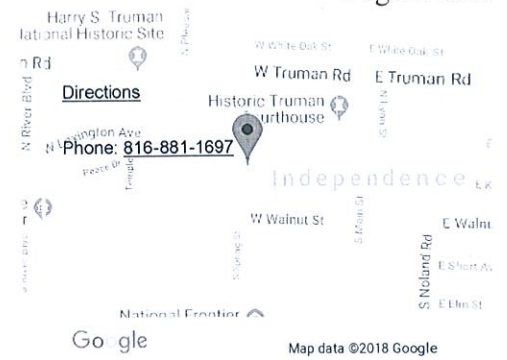
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