

City of Taylorsville Code Enforcement

Submitted by Taylorsville Police Department

The City of Taylorsville strives to maintain a healthy community and has adopted ordinances to assist in maintaining the health and safety of its residents. Adherence to the ordinances is necessary to promote a safe, healthy and neighborly community. Different violations are enforced by the change in seasons.



The following are some of the most frequently committed violations:

- (1) **Family Ordinance.** In nearly all residential areas of Taylorsville, homes are built and designed for a single family. The City does, however, allow up to three (3) additional persons to live with a family, but only if the people in the home share living space or common areas. Rooms may not be rented out to individual occupants. Off street parking must be provided for additional persons living with the family in the home.
- (2) **Graffiti.** During the summer season, graffiti becomes quite a problem in all cities and communities throughout the valley. The City of Taylorsville does not have the means to remove all graffiti. The citizens of Taylorsville may call the Graffiti Hot Line: 801-743-5906 to obtain supplies and helpful hints on how to remove graffiti. Removing the graffiti from your property in a timely manner is a great deterrent in helping prevent further graffiti being added in the same area.
- (3) **Landscaping.** All residential property is required to have landscaping in the front of the home. Landscaping can take on several forms: grass, all types of plants and other allowed vegetation, decorative rock, mulch and bark are also acceptable types of landscaping. Many great ideas on the best ways to landscape with very little watering can be found on the internet by typing in the keyword: Xeriscape.
- (4) **Backyard Chickens.** Taylorsville has adopted a backyard chicken ordinance which allows its residents to keep chickens in their backyard for family food production. A permit must be obtained from the Planning Department at Taylorsville City Hall. Certain requirements must be met in order to keep chickens in a residential zone. The number of chickens is determined by the size of the residential lot. Roosters are strictly prohibited.
- (5) **Rental property.** All owners of rental property within the corporate limits of Taylorsville must obtain a business license. The Business License Department has the necessary paperwork which must be filled out by the property owner. Participation in the "Good Landlord" program is a great benefit to owners of rental property. Single family dwellings may be rented to only one family.
- (6) **Fire Pits.** The Unified Fire Authority regulates fire pits. The general guidelines for a fire pit are: The pit must be no closer than 25 feet from any structure. The pit may be no larger than 3 feet in diameter. Care should be taken to protect the flames from spreading from the pit by having it in a deep enough opening. The flames from the pit must be kept at a height of 2 feet or less. Only clean firewood may be burned in the pit.

Please contact the Code Enforcement Division of the Taylorsville Police Department at 801-955-2000 if there are any questions.