

Q1 What is your name and jurisdiction?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 0

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Andy Seiter. Springfield Twp	3/20/2021 11:00 AM
2	Chad Stull City of Monroe (Butler / Warren Counties)	3/17/2021 4:49 PM
3	Jennifer Kaminer, Village of Fairfax	3/17/2021 4:25 PM
4	Ryan Lee, Washington Township	3/17/2021 3:59 PM
5	Mel Taylor Columbia Township	3/17/2021 2:33 PM
6	Anderson Township	3/17/2021 2:23 PM
7	Aaron Wiegand - West Chester Township	3/17/2021 2:06 PM
8	Chris Anderson Forest Park	3/17/2021 2:04 PM
9	Julie Klehamer, City of Middletown	3/17/2021 1:42 PM
10	Moeller/Madeira	3/17/2021 1:30 PM
11	Paul Kleier, City of Blue Ash	3/17/2021 1:10 PM
12	Anne Schmidt Green Township	3/17/2021 1:05 PM
13	The City of Springdale	3/17/2021 1:03 PM
14	Bellbrook Ohio	3/17/2021 12:54 PM
15	Kevin Clark Sycamore Township Zoning Inspector	3/17/2021 12:46 PM
16	Village of Lockland	3/17/2021 12:25 PM

Q2 What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 0

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	If the grass is over 12 inches we will start a case . If we have to cut the grass it's \$150 an hour per man.	3/20/2021 11:00 AM
2	bill for contractors invoice and administrative fee	3/17/2021 4:49 PM
3	Step 1. "courtesy citation" - leave info on acceptable length of grass Step 2. If no correction, property maintenance officer makes formal notification by letter. Gives date to rectify situation Step 3. If not remedied, property maintenance office can cite to Mayor's Court. Certified letter is usually sent first.	3/17/2021 4:25 PM
4	There is an \$120.00 administrative fee in addition to nuisance abatement contractor charges billed to the property owner	3/17/2021 3:59 PM
5	If owner does not mow after notice letter, we contract with a landscaper to mow it & then file a lien on the property.	3/17/2021 2:33 PM
6	Must follow Nuisance Abatement Process per ORC 505.87	3/17/2021 2:23 PM

7	No punitive penalties. West Chester mows properties cited and assesses the cost to the property tax	3/17/2021 2:06 PM
8	Minor misdemeanor citation	3/17/2021 2:04 PM
9	Options: misdemeanor charge, abatement by the city and assessed against the property taxes or a civil fine is imposed	3/17/2021 1:42 PM
10	If the owner does not correct the violation in 5 days from the notice, the City cuts the yard and charges a minimum of \$200. Can also be a \$150 citation	3/17/2021 1:30 PM
11	Notice posted on property. If grass isn't cut I will contract a service and bill the property owner for the cost to do so.	3/17/2021 1:10 PM
12	We send a letter to the property owner to ask them to resolve the matter. When a letter is sent to the property owner there is a date that the issue needs to be resolved by. If they property owner does not address the issue it goes before the trustees to be declared a nuisance. Once a property is declared the township attorney gets involved and sends notice to the property owner. The township attorney will give us a date where we can legally send a contractor onto the property. The fees for the contractor and attorney are assessed onto the property.	3/17/2021 1:05 PM
13	After deficiency has been identified to the homeowner, and they fail to correct it, the city will cut the lot using a private contractor. We usually maintain 3 in rotation	3/17/2021 1:03 PM
14	fine/fee	3/17/2021 12:54 PM
15	7/14/21 day Violation to public Nuisance for 7 days to having the high grass cut and Bill sent to home owner and if not paid a lean goes on property.	3/17/2021 12:46 PM
16	Notice of Violation issued. Non-compliance results in grass cut by Public Works, invoice sent to property owner, assessed property tax if not paid in full.	3/17/2021 12:25 PM

Q3 If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 0

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Anything over 12 inches is in violation.	3/20/2021 11:00 AM
2	8" or 12" depending on location	3/17/2021 4:49 PM
3	10" or more	3/17/2021 4:25 PM
4	8" in height	3/17/2021 3:59 PM
5	8"	3/17/2021 2:33 PM
6	na	3/17/2021 2:23 PM
7	10"	3/17/2021 2:06 PM
8	7 inches	3/17/2021 2:04 PM
9	over 6 inches	3/17/2021 1:42 PM
10	8 inches	3/17/2021 1:30 PM
11	8 inches	3/17/2021 1:10 PM
12	Our nuisance inspector goes by the neighboring properties.	3/17/2021 1:05 PM
13	10"	3/17/2021 1:03 PM
14	8 inches	3/17/2021 12:54 PM
15	8"	3/17/2021 12:46 PM

16	8 inches	3/17/2021 12:25 PM
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Q4 If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 1

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Initial letter we send out says they have 7 days to cut the grass. The entire process before the Twp can legally cut the grass takes about 5 weeks.	3/20/2021 11:00 AM
2	5 - 7 Notice says FIVE (5)	3/17/2021 4:49 PM
3	Depending on season/weather, property maintenance officer usually give 1 week.	3/17/2021 4:25 PM
4	1st citation in a year receives 7 day grace period; following citations provide a 4 day grace period.	3/17/2021 3:59 PM
5	14 days	3/17/2021 2:33 PM
6	Two weeks	3/17/2021 2:06 PM
7	5 days	3/17/2021 2:04 PM
8	If a violation is observed, notice is provided to the owner/occupant that it must be corrected within 5 days of receipt of notice.	3/17/2021 1:42 PM
9	5 days	3/17/2021 1:30 PM
10	7 days	3/17/2021 1:10 PM
11	Once it is declared it can take up to two weeks to receive the date from the Township attorney to send out the contractor.	3/17/2021 1:05 PM
12	5 days	3/17/2021 1:03 PM
13	10	3/17/2021 12:54 PM
14	7/14/21 days. Number of days is given to owner by Zoning inspector	3/17/2021 12:46 PM
15	5 days (Code Enforcement may give less or more depending on the circumstances)	3/17/2021 12:25 PM

Q5 What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Just sending out the initial letter stating the violation really helps get people motivated and cut their grass . Springfield Twp still cleans up around 120 properties a year out of the 800 cases we open a year .	3/20/2021 11:00 AM
2	If a property remains unoccupied and tall grass becomes a constant problem, the property is added to our regular mow list. Contractors mow and the charges are assessed to the property taxes.	3/17/2021 1:42 PM
3	Most of the residents resolve the issue after receiving the letter.	3/17/2021 1:05 PM
4	We try to be proactive, when someone's grass is getting close to 10"s we will "stop and talk".	3/17/2021 1:03 PM

That is our first contact, our second contact is a letter stating that if the lot is not cut within the next 5 days we will acquire a contractor who will be paid a premium rate. The letter also outlines the county fees and a lien on the property should fees not be paid in short order. During the busy season it might be difficult to get a contractor on the exact deadline, keeping extras in rotation and their ability to flex their schedules are important considerations.

5	Generally after individuals receive a letter of violation they will cut the grass. We have a few that don't.	3/17/2021 12:54 PM
6	None	3/17/2021 12:46 PM

#1

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:21:36 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:25:13 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:36
First Name: Krista
Last Name: Blum
Email: kristab@lockland.com
Custom Data: Lockland
IP Address: 98.102.186.122

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Village of Lockland

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Notice of Violation issued. Non-compliance results in grass cut by Public Works, invoice sent to property owner, accessed property tax if not paid in full.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

5 days (Code Enforcement may give less or more depending on the circumstances)

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#2

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:41:27 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:45:53 PM
Time Spent: 00:04:25
First Name: Ray
Last Name: Warrick
Email: rwarrick@sycamoretownship.org
Custom Data: Sycamore Twp
IP Address: 174.233.128.38

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Kevin Clark
Sycamore Township
Zoning Inspector

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

7/14/21 day Violation to public Nuisance for 7 days to having the high grass cut and Bill sent to home owner and if not paid a lean goes on property.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8"

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

7/14/21 days. Number of days is given to owner by Zoning inspector

Q5

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

None

#3

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:52:04 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:53:43 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:38
First Name: Melissa
Last Name: Dodd
Email: m.dodd@cityofbellbrook.org
Custom Data: Bellbrook
IP Address: 147.0.47.250

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Bellbrook Ohio

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

fine/fee

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

10

Q5

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

Generally after individuals receive a letter of violation they will cut the grass. We have a few that don't.

#4

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:50:10 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:02:30 PM
Time Spent: 00:12:19
First Name: Brian
Last Name: Uhl
Email: buhl@springdale.org
Custom Data: Springdale
IP Address: 198.24.109.194

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

The City of Springdale

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

After deficiency has been identified to the homeowner, and they fail to correct it, the city will cut the lot using a private contractor. We usually maintain 3 in rotation

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

10"

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

5 days

Q5

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

We try to be proactive, when someone's grass is getting close to 10"s we will "stop and talk". That is our first contact, our second contact is a letter stating that if the lot is not cut within the next 5 days we will acquire a contractor who will be paid a premium rate. The letter also outlines the county fees and a lien on the property should fees not be paid in short order. During the busy season it might be difficult to get a contractor on the exact deadline, keeping extras in rotation and their ability to flex their schedules are important considerations.

#5

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:40:05 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:04:52 PM
Time Spent: 00:24:46
First Name: Jennifer
Last Name: Triantafilou
Email: jtriantafilou@greentwp.org
Custom Data: Green Twp
IP Address: 66.117.198.210

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Anne Schmidt Green Township

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

We send a letter to the property owner to ask them to resolve the matter. When a letter is sent to the property owner there is a date that the issue needs to be resolved by. If they property owner does not address the issue it goes before the trustees to be declared a nuisance.

Once a property is declared the township attorney gets involved and sends notice to the property owner.

The township attorney will give us a date where we can legally send a contractor onto the property.

The fees for the contractor and attorney are assessed onto the property.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

Our nuisance inspector goes by the neighboring properties.

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

Once it is declared it can take up to two weeks to receive the date from the Township attorney to send out the contractor.

Q5

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

Most of the residents resolve the issue after receiving the letter.

#6

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:08:52 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:10:27 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:35
First Name: Kelly
Last Name: Harrington
Email: kharrington@blueash.com
Custom Data: Blue Ash
IP Address: 216.196.128.138

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Paul Kleier, City of Blue Ash

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Notice posted on property. If grass isn't cut I will contract a service and bill the property owner for the cost to do so.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

7 days

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#7

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:28:26 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:29:43 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:16
First Name: Tom
Last Name: Moeller
Email: tmoeller@madeiracity.com
Custom Data: Madeira
IP Address: 76.190.87.50

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Moeller/Madeira

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

If the owner does not correct the violation in 5 days from the notice, the City cuts the yard and charges a minimum of \$200. Can also be a \$150 citation

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

5 days

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#8

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 12:23:30 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:42:13 PM
Time Spent: 01:18:43
First Name: Julie
Last Name: Owsley
Email: julieo@cityofmiddletown.org
Custom Data: Middletwown
IP Address: 216.48.130.194

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Julie Klehamer, City of Middletown

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Options: misdemeanor charge, abatement by the city and assessed against the property taxes or a civil fine is imposed

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

over 6 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

If a violation is observed, notice is provided to the owner/occupant that it must be corrected within 5 days of receipt of notice.

Q5

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

If a property remains unoccupied and tall grass becomes a constant problem, the property is added to our regular mow list. Contractors mow and the charges are assessed to the property taxes.

#9

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:02:38 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:03:57 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:19
First Name: Donnie
Last Name: Jones
Email: drjones@forestpark.org
Custom Data: Forest Park
IP Address: 45.59.35.229

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Chris Anderson
Forest Park

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Minor misdemeanor citation

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

7 inches

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

5 days

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#10

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:04:24 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:05:45 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:20
First Name: Jenna
Last Name: Whitaker
Email: jwhittaker@westchesteroh.org
Custom Data: West Chester
IP Address: 216.68.226.226

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Aaron Wiegand - West Chester Township

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

No punitive penalties. West Chester mows properties cited and assesses the cost to the property tax

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

10"

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

Two weeks

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#11

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:21:36 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:23:00 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:24
First Name: Steve
Last Name: Sievers
Email: ssievers@andersontownship.org
Custom Data: Anderson Twp
IP Address: 74.219.232.36

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Anderson Township

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Must follow Nuisance Abatement Process per ORC 505.87

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

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Q4

Respondent skipped this question

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#12

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:31:20 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 2:32:50 PM
Time Spent: 00:01:29
First Name: Melissa
Last Name: Taylor
Email: melissa@columbiatwp.org
Custom Data: Columbia Twp
IP Address: 208.102.191.101

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Mel Taylor
Columbia Township

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

If owner does not mow after notice letter, we contract with a landscaper to mow it & then file a lien on the property.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8"

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

14 days

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#13

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 3:54:47 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 3:59:26 PM
Time Spent: 00:04:38
First Name: Jesse
Last Name: Lightle
Email: jlightle@washingtontwp.org
Custom Data: Washington Twp
IP Address: 12.69.182.2

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Ryan Lee, Washington Township

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

There is an \$120.00 administrative fee in addition to nuisance abatement contractor charges billed to the property owner

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8" in height

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

1st citation in a year receives 7 day grace period; following citations provide a 4 day grace period.

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#14

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 4:22:10 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 4:25:27 PM
Time Spent: 00:03:17
First Name: Jennifer
Last Name: Kaminer
Email: jkaminer@fairfaxoh.org
Custom Data: Fairfax
IP Address: 216.68.204.86

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Jennifer Kaminer, Village of Fairfax

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

Step 1. "courtesy citation" - leave info on acceptable length of grass

Step 2. If no correction, property maintenance officer makes formal notification by letter. Gives date to rectify situation

Step 3. If not remedied, property maintenance office can cite to Mayor's Court. Certified letter is usually sent first.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

10" or more

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

Depending on season/weather, property maintenance officer usually give 1 week.

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#15

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 4:45:52 PM
Last Modified: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 4:48:42 PM
Time Spent: 00:02:49
First Name: Angela
Last Name: Wasson
Email: wassona@monroeohio.org
Custom Data: Monroe
IP Address: 216.196.183.170

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Chad Stull
City of Monroe (Butler / Warren Counties)

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

bill for contractors invoice and administrative fee

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

8" or 12" depending on location

Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

5 - 7 Notice says FIVE (5)

Q5**Respondent skipped this question**

What other comments do you have about high grass enforcement in your community?

#16

COMPLETE

Collector: Email Invitation 1 (Email)
Started: Saturday, March 20, 2021 10:34:51 AM
Last Modified: Saturday, March 20, 2021 10:59:58 AM
Time Spent: 00:25:06
First Name: Sandy
Last Name: Haner
Email: shaner@springfieldtwp.org
Custom Data: Springfield Twp
IP Address: 72.49.224.32

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Q1

What is your name and jurisdiction?

Andy Seiter. Springfield Twp

Q2

What type of penalties does your community impose for high grass complaints / enforcement?

If the grass is over 12 inches we will start a case . If we have to cut the grass it's \$150 an hour per man.

Q3

If you have a maximum grass height in your property maintenance code, what is it?

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Q4

If cited, how many days does the resident have to comply before punitive actions are taken?

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Q5

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