



## Abandoned and Inoperable Vehicles in the City of Evans



**The City of Evans has an active Neighborhood Services Program to help make our neighborhoods more attractive – please do your part and keep your abandoned and junk vehicles out of sight!**

### **Inoperable Vehicle Violations and Guidelines**

**There are many reasons why a vehicle is considered inoperable including being **junked, wrecked, totally or partially dismantled, discarded, or missing parts or equipment necessary to operate safely and legally on a public right-of-way.****

This is including but not limited to any flat tires or any part of the vehicle being supported by jacks, blocks, or other supports, or any vehicle or trailer lacking properly displayed current license plates.



Inoperable vehicles must be kept within a fully enclosed structure such as a garage. They cannot be in view from the street or from adjacent properties. One inoperable vehicle that is being renovated or stored for the purpose of being renovated may be kept on the property; provided that the vehicle is screened with a fence that is 6 feet in height. The fence must be of standard privacy fencing material that obscures the view of any inoperable vehicle or parts from adjacent right-of-way or properties. Simply moving the vehicle off of the street or placing a tarp over the vehicle is not code compliance.

Abandoned vehicles can be found on either public or private property and are similar to inoperable vehicles in that they are not legally operable on a public right of way, but these vehicles do not register to a person in the immediate area or at a nearby address. A vehicle considered abandoned will have a green tag placed on it and if not moved within 72 hours, will be towed at the owners expense.

A vehicle that is operable and belongs to a person at a nearby address is not considered abandoned but could be considered illegally parked if not moved or used for a period of 7 days or longer.

## Penalties for Violation

If you receive a warning regarding your inoperable vehicle, **PLEASE take immediate steps to clean your property and correct the violation.** A Notice of Violation is your first warning and you will have seven (7) days to remove your vehicle.

If you do not remove your vehicle you will receive an Administrative Citation, and there is a \$150 penalty for the first offense, a \$500 penalty for the second offense, and a \$999 penalty for the third offense.

Also, if you do not remove your vehicle, the City may also have the vehicle towed and impounded and bill you not only for the violation (\$150 for the first offense) but also for the actual cost of removing the vehicle plus a 15% administrative fee. If you do not pay that bill, the City will lien your property taxes.

1st offense—\$150

2nd offense—\$500

3rd offense—\$999

Abatement /administrative charges may be assessed in addition to these fines.

Please, keep your yard clean and beautiful and help us improve the City of Evans!



## City of Evans Mission Statement

To provide positive and progressive leadership that promotes smart growth, economic prosperity and cultural diversity while preserving core and family values and a high quality of life that preserves our small town atmosphere.

## Helpful Numbers

Animal Control	(970) 356-1212
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1100
Chamber of Commerce	(970) 330-4204
City Pool	(970) 330-7946
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1170
Customer Service	(970) 475-1170
Emergencies	911
Emergencies After Hours	(970) 356-1212
GET Bus	(970) 357-9287
Household Hazardous Waste (Weld County)	(970) 304-6415
Municipal Court	(970) 475-1123
Museum	(970) 506-2721
Pothole Reporting	(970) 475-1170
Recreation Center	(970) 475-1125
Senior Center	(970) 475-1131
Utility Locates	(800) 922-1987
Utility Payments	(970) 475-1170
Waste Management	(866) 482-6319
Weld County	(970) 356-4000

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**To report inoperable vehicles on private property, please call Customer Service at (970) 475-1170.**