# TAG AND REMOVE

## **DIVISION OF COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE**

The Division works cooperatively with citizens through education, volunteer assistance, and communication to gain voluntary compliance with county codes to promote a healthier and safer environment. Our motto is "Service through communication and care."

#### PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

This brochure describes the County
Code on obstructions in the right-of-way
and the process for removing basketball
goals and other sporting equipment
when they are left in the street. To
promote the safety of its citizens and to
ensure that roads allow unobstructed
travel, the county requires the equipment
to be kept on private property.



## **HENRICO COUNTY CODE**

SECTION 18-3 OBSTRUCTION IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

It shall be a class 1 misdemeanor to erect, construct, place or maintain any bumps, fences, gates, chains, bars, pipes, wood or metal horses, basketball goals or other sporting equipment, or any other type obstruction, in a road, a ditch made to drain the road, or an off drain from ditches except in gated subdivisions permitted in chapter 24.

(Code 1980, § 18-1; Code 1995, § 18-3; Ord. No. 1064, § 1, 3-9-2004)

## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A VIOLATION IS OBSERVED?

Once a violation is found, the equipment will be tagged with a brightly colored sticker.

- The sticker will cite applicable code sections and will state that the equipment will be removed after a 48-hour grace period.
- The sticker will include the inspector's name and phone number.

If the equipment remains in the right-of-way after the grace period, it will be reported to the Henrico County Department of Public Works for removal. Public Works will store the equipment for 60 days and will not be held responsible for any damage to the equipment once it is removed.

If you are the owner of equipment that has been removed from the street, call to make arrangements to pick it up:

West End Residents: (804) 727-8300 East End Residents: (804) 652-3975

Equipment not claimed after the 60-day holding period will be destroyed.

## **HOW DO I REPORT A VIOLATION?**

If you are aware of a property in Henrico County that is in violation of this ordinance, please contact the Division of Community Maintenance. The Build Henrico website and phone hotline are available 24 hours per day. When you report a problem, you will be required to give your name and telephone number. This information is kept confidential and will not be released under any circumstances. It will be used only when County staff require additional information to investigate the case or to update you on the status of your concern. Visit <a href="https://henrico.us/build">https://henrico.us/build</a> or call (804) 501-4757, Option 1, to report a violation.