

## Violations and Penalties

Violations and penalties are codified in the Jacksonville Ordinance Code, Title VI – Business Trades and Occupations, Chapter 179.

Sec. 179.104. - Inspection and registration of Defaulted property by Mortgagee holding mortgages in Default.

- (l) Failure of the Mortgagee and/or property owner of record to properly register or to modify the registration to reflect a change of circumstances as required by this ordinance is a violation of this Chapter and shall be subject to enforcement by any of the enforcement means available to the City of Jacksonville.
- (m) Pursuant to any judicial finding and determination that any property is in violation of this Chapter the City may take the necessary action to ensure compliance with and place a lien on the property for the cost of the outstanding obligation and any additional cost incurred to bring the property into compliance.

(Ord. 2010-327-E, § 2; Ord. 2011-371-E, § 6; Ord. 2013-209-E, § 40; Ord. [2015-340-E](#), § 2; Ord. [2017-665-E](#), § 12; Ord. [2018-104-E](#), § 1)

Sec. 179.106. - Security and additional maintenance requirements.

(g) In addition to the late fees authorized in Section 179.104(i), above, failure of the Mortgagee to register a property pursuant to this Chapter or for any other violation of this Chapter shall also authorize the City to impose a civil penalty in the amount up to \$500 against the Mortgagee for each offense, with each day the violation is allowed to continue constituting a separate offense. Upon written notice of noncompliance from the City or its designee, the Mortgagee shall have 30 days from the date of the notice of noncompliance to register the Defaulted property and pay the registration fee and any additional fees or costs (such as any accrued late fee or costs and expenses incurred by or on behalf of the City to abate code violations) or correct any other violation of this Chapter. If the Mortgagee fails to timely register the Defaulted property and make these payments within the time allotted above, the City, through its Neighborhoods Department staff, shall be authorized to pursue enforcement against the Mortgagee or any other responsible party through the Special Magistrate/Code Enforcement Board process or by initiating an action in the appropriate jurisdictional court to collect the penalties, fees and expenses authorized in this Chapter. In any court action, the City shall be authorized to recover its reasonable attorney's fees and costs expended in establishing the violation. The provisions of this section are cumulative with and in addition to other available remedies.

(Ord. 2010-327-E, § 2; Ord. [2015-340-E](#), § 2; Ord. [2018-104-E](#), § 1)