

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

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# PURPOSE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD ACT

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- It is the intent of KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 to protect, promote, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens residing within the local governments of this state by authorizing the creation of administrative boards with the authority to issue remedial orders and impose civil fines in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of ensuring compliance with the ordinances in force in local governments. KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 is intended and shall be construed to provide an additional or supplemental means of obtaining compliance with local government ordinances, and nothing contained in KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 shall prohibit the enforcement of local government ordinances by any other means authorized by law.

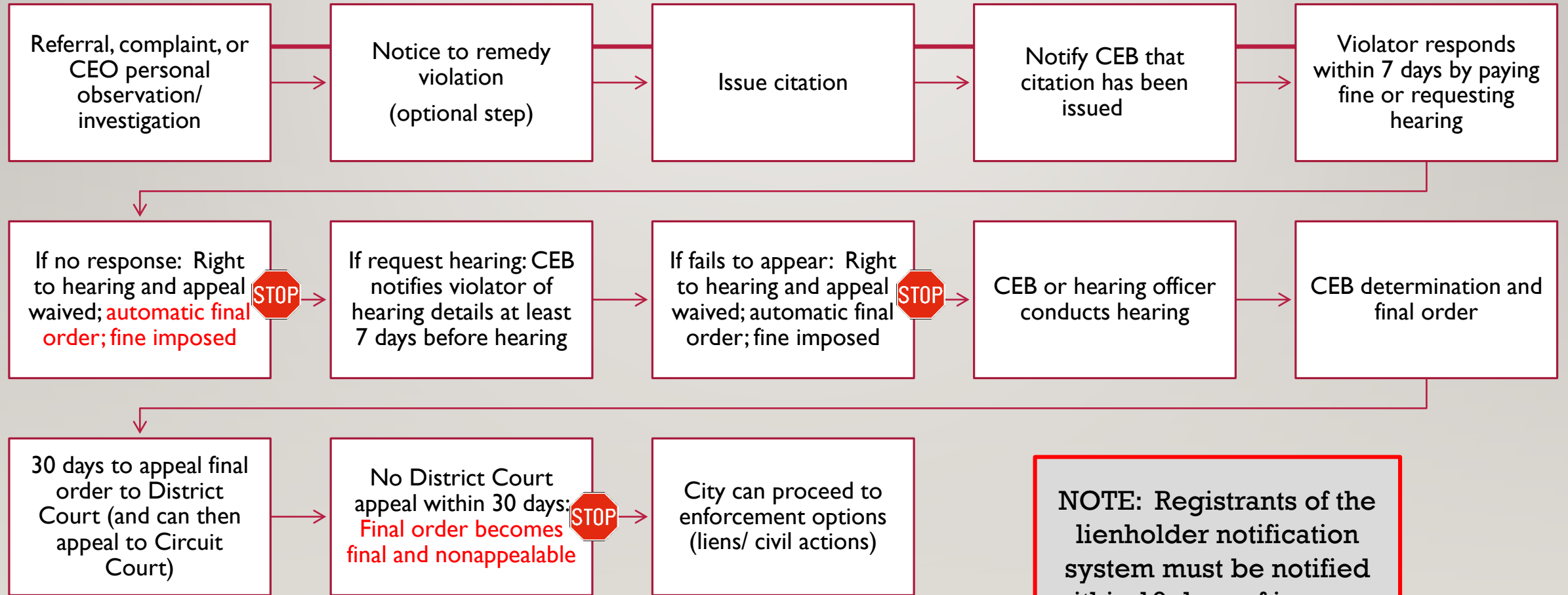
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## POWERS OF THE BOARD

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- Each code enforcement board shall have the power to:
  - (1) Adopt rules and regulations to govern its operation and the conduct of its hearings that are consistent with the requirements of KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 and ordinances of the local government or local governments creating the board;
  - (2) Conduct hearings, or assign a hearing officer to conduct a hearing, to determine whether there has been a violation of any local government ordinance that the board has jurisdiction to enforce;
  - (3) Subpoena alleged violators, witnesses, and evidence to its hearings. Subpoenas issued by the board, or an assigned hearing officer, may be served by any code enforcement officer;
  - (4) Take testimony under oath. The chairman of the board, or an assigned hearing officer, shall have the authority to administer oaths to witnesses prior to their testimony before the board on any matter;
  - (5) Make findings and issue orders that are necessary to remedy any violation of a local government ordinance that the board has jurisdiction to enforce; and
  - (6) Impose civil fines as authorized by ordinance on any person found to have violated any ordinance that the board has jurisdiction to enforce.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS



**NOTE:** Registrants of the lienholder notification system must be notified within 10 days of issuance of any final order

# CODES USED IN ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

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- International Property Maintenance Code (includes references to Building Code, Fire Code, Mechanical Code, Electrical Code, Plumbing Code, Fuel Gas Code)

Available from the International Codes Council ([www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org))

- City Zoning Ordinance

(<http://www.pdskc.org/services/kenton-county/zoning-ordinances/ludlow.aspx>)

- City Nuisance Ordinance

([http://www.amlegal.com/codes/client/ludlow\\_ky/](http://www.amlegal.com/codes/client/ludlow_ky/))

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## IMMEDIATE ACTION TO REMEDY VIOLATIONS OF ORDINANCES

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- Nothing contained in KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 shall prohibit a local government from taking immediate action to remedy a violation of its ordinances when there is reason to believe that the existence of the violation presents imminent danger, a serious threat to the public health, safety, and welfare, or if in the absence of immediate action, the effects of the violation will be irreparable or irreversible.

# QUESTIONS?

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