

# **Policy COM-02**

# **Landscape Maintenance**

# 1.0 Reference(s)

CC&Rs Article IV Section 4.01, 4.03, 4.04, 4.07, 4.07.01, 4.07.02, 4.07.03, 4.07.04, 4.07.05, 4.21, RCW 35.21.310 (add ADM-11)

## 2.0 Purpose

• to follow the Community-Wide Standard Policy to ensure the aesthetics and cohesion of our community and maintain property values, (\*Note-inspectors cannot go into resident yards but may gain visual access if invited by a neighbor to view the property.)

### 3.0 Policy

- 3.1 Maintain healthy, weed-free landscaping. Landscaping is inclusive of all
  - 3.1.1 ARB application and approval must be obtained prior to removal of any trees and/or shrubs
    - 3.1.1.1 Golf course 30 foot setback will require golf course representative approval in addition to ARB approval.
  - 3.1.2 Removal of weeds and dead flowers should be done at least once a month
    - 3.1.2.1 During warmer months it may be needed more often (recommended every 1 to 2 weeks).
  - 3.1.3 Trees, hedges, and shrubs near sidewalks shall be kept trimmed so as not to interfere with pedestrian traffic on the sidewalks.

Trees to be maintained at 7ft. height above the sidewalk

- 3.1.4 Trees, hedges, and shrubs shall not obstruct sightlines for safe operations of motor vehicles and bicycles within the community to include (but not limited to):
  - 3.1.4.1 Resident's cars, trucks, SUVs, motorhomes, golf carts, bikes
  - 3.1.4.2 Delivery trucks, vans
  - 3.1.4.3 Contractor and Maintenance vehicles
- 3.1.5 Lawn areas shall be mowed, trimmed, and watered regularly
  - 3.1.5.1 April October no less than once (1) per week
  - 3.1.5.2 November and March no less than twice (2) per month
  - 3.1.5.3 December/January/February usually no mowing is necessary
- 3.1.6 Landscaping should be appropriately seeded/reseeded, weeded, fertilized and treated to control weeds and pests and pair dead areas.

# 3.2 Landscaping tools and equipment

3.2.1 Landscaping tools and equipment should not be visible from the street



- 3.3 Plant Containers and Yard Art
  - 3.3.1 Plant containers and yard art should match or complement the aesthetics of the house
  - 3.3.2 Plant containers should in good repair not broken
  - 3.3.3 Empty plant containers should be appropriately stored not visible from the street
- 3.4 Un-developed Lots
  - 3.4.1 Property owners of un-developed lots are subject to all landscaping maintenance policies
- 3.5 Leased / Rented Residences
  - 3.5.1 Property owners of leased or rented residences are subject to all landscaping maintenance policies

#### 4.0 Fines

- 4.1 Compliance Issue Notification
  - 4.1.1 Compliance notifications shall be sent to homeowners for violation of Landscaping Maintenance standards
  - 4.1.2 Fines may be imposed until violation is resolved

#### 5.0 Responsibility

The Board or its delegate is responsible for enforcement, maintaining and keeping this policy current and to obtain Board approval of changes, as necessary

#### 6.0 Effective Date and Record of Amendments

**08/19/2019**, Original Policy, Compliance Policy, 2019-039.