

Landscaping Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define the areas of responsibility and authority of the Landscaping and Playground Committee, and to define the responsibilities of each member household.

The Landscaping and Playground Committee Responsibilities:

- (1) To maintain the common areas in a well ordered and manicured condition.

The common areas being:

- the 4 ' walkways behind the Applewood and Chamberlain units
- the grassy areas between the townhouse blocks (Chamberlain only)
- the playground and the basketball area at Chamberlain
- the dual roadway strips to Chamberlain street

Well ordered and manicured means:

- cutting and trimming the lawns on an as needed basis
- watering the lawns, trees and shrubs as necessary
- removing garbage and leaves
- trimming of bushes and trees as needed on the advise of a tree consultant

- (2) To provide the tools necessary for members to keep their own yards in a well ordered and manicured condition. To repair and replace these tools when needed.
- (3) To provide members with training on how to properly use the available tools.
- (4) To upkeep the grounds in the playground area, and properly maintain the playground equipment at the Chamberlain location.

Upkeep the grounds means:

- cutting and trimming the lawn on an as needed basis
- removing the garbage weekly

Properly maintaining the playground equipment means:

- ensuring the equipment is safe
- effecting repairs as needed

Member Responsibilities:

- (1) To maintain the areas immediately in front and in back of their individual units in a well ordered and manicured condition.
- (2) To be responsible for the tools they use. To "sign out" any tool they borrow from the shed and to return it promptly to the shed when they are finished using it. If a member breaks a tool because of improper use, they will be responsible for repairing or replacing the tool. (Normal wear and tear is to be expected). If a tool is lost or stolen while signed out to a particular member, that member will be responsible for replacing the tool. If a tool is broken by mistake, members are asked to report it to a committee member or to the co-op office so a replacement tool can be purchased.
- (3) To ask for training on how to properly use any tools that they are unsure of.
- (4) To be responsible for the removal of snow and ice from their walkways and/or driveways in the winter months. Members are encouraged to use "salt-free" products to achieve this as salt does considerable damage to the asphalt, grass and the environment. Such salt-free products can include sand, kitty litter, bird seed, and ice-melt.
- (5) To immediately clean up any messes made in their yards or the common areas by pets including messes created through natural body functions or otherwise (digging, chewing, etc.) See Pet Policy Section 7 - Nuisance.

NB. This Policy will be kept in accordance with any applicable Municipal Bylaw. If any of this Policy is found to be in contradiction to a Municipal Bylaw, the Municipal Bylaw will take precedence.

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