



Lake Arrowhead

C O M M U N I T Y , I N C .

Policy Statement:

Fences

One of the many positive aspects of residing within Lake Arrowhead is the inherent charm of our community. The area surrounding the “lake” is covered by a canopy of trees and is dissected with tree-lined gravel roads, and the community has been able to maintain a pastoral environment with homes that are relatively homogeneous and devoid of commercial interruption.

For the most part, this “charm” has been maintained due to the foresight and policies of the Board of Trustees... which has struggled to balance the needs of the community with the desires of individual property owners. This balance is sometimes difficult to achieve.

With that said, it is the policy of the Board of Trustees that certain types of “structures” are desirable within the community, while others are an impediment to maintaining the community’s charm. One such area of concern for the Trustees is the construction of certain types of fences within the community; therefore, the Board promulgates this policy.

It is the policy of the Board of Trustees that community members must obtain a “permission slip” from the Business Office prior to installing a fence on their property. Community members must be certain that the proposed fence installation meets all municipal and / or SRCC regulations pertaining to fences. **All applications for fence installation shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and should not be considered to be automatically granted.**

Generally, fences constructed within the community should be of a nature that will enhance the community aesthetic rather than detract therefrom...unless good cause is shown why a specific situation should permit deviations from this objective. Fences within the community must be of a decorative nature (i.e.: post and beam, picket, etc.) unless otherwise provided for herein. Fences may not encompass the entirety of a lot, and should be placed upon only one boundary line of the property or, at most, upon two boundary lines of the property (for demonstrable cause). All fences must be installed at least three feet from the property line to provide the owner(s) with a sufficient area in which to perform maintenance without encroaching upon the property of their neighbor(s).

Chain-link fences may only be used for kenneling dogs...and, in those instances that a chain-link fence is permitted, it must be located directly behind the residence or placed upon the lot in such a location that the kennel will not serve as a nuisance to neighbors or an “eyesore” to the general public. If not located directly behind a house, the kennel must be “screened” in such a manner as to prevent the fence from being inconsistent with community aesthetics.

Stockade fences may only be used to enhance the safety of young children who reside in the community...that is to say, they will only be allowed when members have young children (younger than eight years of age) and reside in an area of heavy vehicular traffic. Stockade fences shall only be allowed to fence in a yard or other “play area”. Stockade fences shall be removed after all children at the residence have reached the age of ten or when the property is sold – whichever comes first- unless the buyer(s) have children under the age of ten, as provided for herein.

This policy statement is formally adopted by the Board of Trustees this 16th day of September 2000:

Attest:

Phil Tarr, Community Manager
