



UEHOA Members

The board of directors would like to remind you of some responsibilities we all share as members of the association and residents of University Estates.

Drive Safely - Members have expressed concern about vehicles driving on neighborhood streets at speeds well in excess of the City of Athens' posted speed limit of 25 MPH. Vehicles share the road with pedestrians and children on bikes. If you see a vehicle driving too fast, report it to the Athens Police Department non-emergency number at (740) 593-6606.

Walk Safely - Members have observed nighttime pedestrians on neighborhood streets, wearing dark, non-reflective clothing. We want to avoid a tragedy, so if you or members of your household walk at night, follow these safety tips:

- Wear white or other bright colors.
- Wear reflective clothing.
- Carry a flashlight and aim it where drivers can see you.

Mailbox Lights are an important light source on our neighborhood streets and the University Estates Declarations, Covenants and Restrictions (DCCR) section 5.06 specifies that they must be lighted from dusk to dawn. If your mailbox light is not working, replace the light bulb or seek assistance from a licensed electrician to return it to service.

Trash and Recycling containers should be stored in an enclosed area of your property. This is a requirement specified in section 6.03 of the University Estates DCCR.

Submit exterior improvement requests to the Architectural Review Committee, to comply with DCCR Article IV. Currently, the board of directors is serving as the ARC, so submit approval requests for exterior improvements by email to UniversityEstates.HOA.Board@gmail.com.

Exterior Signs seem to be a popular choice for decorating in 2023. Unfortunately, they can be a violation of the DCCR. Section 5.12 states “The size and design of all signs located on a Lot shall be subject to the approval of the ARC and applicable law.” The board has concerns about the potential for misuse of signs and the precedent that's been set by not enforcing the rule. We first ask that you consider *not* using signs for decoration. If you'd prefer to seek ARC approval, this is the new process. Submit a picture and the dimensions of existing or proposed signs to UniversityEstates.HOA.Board@gmail.com.

Please feel free to contact the board at its email address above with any questions you have about these issues. We also encourage open and frank discussion of them on UEHOA's Facebook page or in our neighborhood's section on Nextdoor.

Sincerely,

University Estates HOA Board of Directors

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