

Background

Birds and other animals can break into thin trash bags put out at the curb on trash pickup days. Trash blows around the neighborhood on windy days when lidless trashcans tip over and spill their contents on the street. Trash and trash bags blow into the marshy area surrounding our community. All this attracts vermin, rats, raccoons, crows and other animals that live in or pass through the area in search of food.

This is a serious health concern for our community. The Board has adopted the following policy to encourage all residents to use trash packaging that will significantly reduce the problems discussed above.

Trash Policy

All residents must use secure trash containers for household waste. Secure trash containers are those which:

1. Are square-sided to resist rolling if knocked over by the wind;
2. Are fitted with a locking lid;
3. Are capable of holding entire trash contents under a fastened lid.

Trash must fit entirely in the container and not overflow the top.

Plastic bags that hold food-related waste must fit and be placed ENTIRELY within a secure trash container beneath a fastened lid.

Plastic bags that contain food-related waste MUST NOT be used for curbside trash pickup, unless they are within a secure trash container with a fastened lid.

Plastic bags MAY be used to hold non-food trash on trash pickup days PROVIDED:

1. Contents are not food-related;
2. Bags are the heavy, black plastic type, securely tied off at the top;
3. Bags are securely fastened such that they cannot be blown around by the wind.

Resident Responsibility

Each resident is responsible for ensuring that their trash remains securely contained so that it does not blow into neighbors' yards or into the nearby marshland.

There are no "Community" or "Group" trash drop-off areas. Please place containers curbside in front of your home. DO NOT place your trash in front of another's home.

Compliance Timetable and Fines for Non-Compliance

The Association will issue Trash Violation Notices when appropriate. Residents will have 10 days from the date at the top of the notice to comply with approved trash packaging. If still not in compliance, they will be assessed a fine of \$25 for each day they put out trash using unapproved packaging.

All residents are asked to comply with this policy for the good of our community.

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