

Coosaw Creek Landscaping Guidelines and Policy

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1. No weeds or underbrush or other unsightly vegetation shall be permitted to grow or remain on any lot. Any unkempt, offensive or unsightly landscaping condition is prohibited. (Stone maybe permitted subject to Architectural Review Board (ARB) approval for color, size, property location and amount).
2. All portions of any property, including improvements, shall be maintained in a neat and attractive manner. This includes maintenance of grass, plants beds, trees, and turf areas. Generally, beds require rejuvenating with pine straw, mulch or wood chips periodically to create a well maintained appearance.
3. Areas around sidewalks, driveways, patios, street curbs and other hard surfaces should be edged to maintain a neat and clean appearance. Grass clippings must be cleared from the street.
4. Mowing should be done as necessary to reflect a neat and well maintained appearance. Grass should be cut as appropriate to the type turf and then cleared away from the driveway, sidewalk and curb surfaces. Any bare spots in the lawn should be attended to.
5. All grass should be removed from cracks in the sidewalks, driveways, curbing and other masonry surfaces.
6. Vegetation around foundations and doorsteps should be trimmed to maintain a neat appearance. Shrub planting below windows should not be allowed to grow higher that the window sill. All trees and shrubs shall be kept neat and trimmed and all dead growth removed.
7. Plant beds and non-grass areas (“natural” areas) should be kept clean and free of weeds, debris and other unsightly or offensive materials. The outline of planting beds should be well defined.
8. Lawn clippings, leaves, tree limbs and other landscape debris should be promptly removed or stored out of sight until next scheduled pick-up by the N.C. Public Works. Debris cannot be stored or placed on adjacent lots, in the street or on common property nor on Club property.
9. Undeveloped lots must also be kept neat in appearance. Weeds and underbrush are to be periodically mowed and cleared. Dead or fallen trees must be removed. Any trash or unsightly materials are to be removed promptly. No vacant lot shall create an unsafe or hazardous condition for neighbors on adjoining properties. The first 15 feet of a vacant lot from the curb inward shall be mowed, edged and maintained for the full length of the property street front.
10. Palm trees, palm bushes and palm shrubs require special attention. Most of them require annual trimming, pruning, and other maintenance to achieve an appealing and acceptable appearance. This includes the removal of all dead or dying growth.

NOTE: Architectural Review Board (ARB) approval is required before any tree can be removed which measures 6 inches or more at 4 feet above the ground or for any changes to an approved landscape design can be made (including fences, fountains, lighting, driveways, statuaries, beds or walks).