

What Does Our Management Company Do?

We receive non-compliance notices from the management company. We send our assessment checks to the management company. We report common area maintenance problems to the management company. So, the management company makes all of the important decisions regarding our community, right? WRONG! The management function of our association is administrative in nature. The board is the principle policy-making body which sets policies, standards, procedures, programs and budgets. Management's function is to carry out these board decisions. The board has the authority and the power to set policies and standards to carry these policies out. It may delegate its authority to implement its decisions, but it cannot delegate its responsibility to see that they are implemented and implemented properly. Management implements decisions of the board and administers the programs, services and activities of the association within the policies and guidelines set by the board. When communicating with our management company, please keep in mind that although the board has given them the authority to make many of the day-to-day operational decisions, some requests are going to need the approval of the board of directors. Here are some tips to help facilitate your communication with the board: - When in doubt about your request, put it in writing. - Attend the Open Forum portion of the Board of Directors meeting. - If your request is "non-emergency" in nature, please be patient. In most cases, management will research the issue for the board so that the board can make the best educated, business decision possible. - If you have any questions whatsoever, do not hesitate to call our association manager. Maria V. Frasca, Community Association Manager mfrasca@pcmhoafl.com

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Keeping Safe In the Summer Heat



Picnics, popsicles, swimming pools, and being on the opposite end of the calendar from the frigid bite of winter... what's not to love about the summer season? However, as thermostats begin to rise this summer, so does the risk of serious heat-related illnesses and injuries.

Stay a Step Ahead of Heat Stroke

Anyone who enjoys being active outdoors should also be aware of how to identify indicators of heat stroke. Typically a result of not consuming enough fluids, heat stroke occurs when your body temperature gets too hot. Protect your body from heat stroke by being mindful of the following symptoms:

Body temperature of 104°F or higher

- Headaches, confusion or trouble thinking clearly
- Hallucinations
- Skin redness and warmth
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Muscle cramps or weakness

If you begin to experience these heat stroke warning signs, seek out an area that will cool your body temperature down, drink fluids, and seek medical advice immediately.

Exercise Smart

This is no reason to be inactive during the summer! It's very important when exercising outside to heed the following advice:

- Try to exercise early, before it gets too hot.
- Try to take breaks when you exercise
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Stick to water and sports drinks and avoid alcoholic or caffeinated beverages.
- Wear loose, light-weight clothes.
- **Enjoy The Summer While It Lasts**

A few more tips for enjoying a time of fun and relaxation with family. As always, be sure to apply plenty of sunscreen, even on cloudy days! And, don't forget about your loved ones. In just 10 minutes, a parked car's internal temperature can rise 20 degrees, despite leaving windows cracked open. This can become deadly very quickly – so please be cautious when leaving your car unattended and do not leave pets or family members in a parked car. Finally, keep snacks on hand that provide your body with essential fluids such as watermelon, celery or other items that can help your body stay hydrated, all while enjoying some fun in the sun.



Pet Reminders

We continue to have problems with cats and dogs out loose, running around. We also have a problem with the pet owners who choose not to pick up after their pet. Please remember to clean up after your pet and keep them inside with you unless they are on a leash or in your fenced area. It is your responsibility as a pet owner to abide by the law.

ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO ANIMALS ENFORCEMENT OF THE SEMONOLE COUNTY CODES CHAPTER 20. PERTAINING TO:

SECTION 20.17 ANIMALS AT LARGE

It shall be unlawful for any animal owner to allow, either willfully or through failure to exercise due care and control, his animal(s) to run atlarge upon public property, unless said public property expressly authorizes the same, or upon private property of others, including common areas of condominiums, cluster homes, planned unit developments, and commu-nity associations without the consent of all owners thereof, unless said private property owners authorize the same by express or implied consent

SECTION 20.18 URINTING & DEFCATING

It shall be unlawful for any animal owner to permit, either willfully or through failure to exercise due care and control, any animal to soil, defile, urinate or defecate on any private or public property, other than that of the owner, without expressed or implied consent.

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Pool Safety/Drowning Prevention

Learn the action steps you can take for safeguarding children in and around the water **SUPERVISION**

Curiosity, rapidly changing skills, and an inability to understand danger place young children at high risk. Adults must establish and communicate responsibility for child supervision:

- Assign an adult "water watcher" to supervise the pool/spa area, especially during social gatherings.
- Assign a second adult to maintain constant visual contact with children in the pool/spa area. Don't assume some-one else is watching a child.
- Never leave a child alone near a pool or spa, bathtub, toilet, water-filled bucket, pond, or any standing water in which a child's nose and mouth may be submersed.
- Don't rely on swimming lessons, life preservers, or any other equipment to make a child "water safe".
- Don't allow children to play in the pool/spa area.
- Look in the pool area first if a child is missing.
- Communicate pool safety measures with the baby-sitter and train the sitter in CPR.

PREPARATION

- Learn how to swim, proper rescue techniques and CPR.
- Mount rescue equipment by the pool. This should include a lifesaving ring, shepherd's hook, and CPR sign. Many float-type toys like arm floats and inflatable rings are thought to be lifesavers. They aren't. They are only toys and should be used only as toys.
- Post the 9-1-1 emergency phone number on your phones. Have a phone near the pool area. Don't leave children unattended while talking on the phone.

Important Facts About Childhood Drowning

• Drowning is the leading cause of accidental death to children under five years of age in 18 states, and California leads the nation.

- A pool or spa is 14 times more likely than a vehicle to cause the death of a child under five.
- Drowning is a silent event. Children under five do not understand the dangers of falling

Keeping Gutters Clean

We all have a responsibility to keep the street gutters and storm drains clear of leaves ,pine needles and other debris. Leaves can clog up the storm drains which will cause additional maintenance and expense for the community. As homeowners, we are responsible for lawn service personnel who may be blowing



leaves into the gutters and storm drains. Homeowners are also responsible for edging the lawns along the street gutters, keeping them clear of all vegetation and debris for water run-off. Sprinklers should not be directed over the streets

Is it ok to blow leaves and grass clippings into the street or storm drain?

No. Doing so is considered an illicit discharge and is prohibited by City Ordinance. Only rain should be flowing into the storm drain. Storm drains are built to move stormwater away from roads and structures. Debris blown into the street or intentionally placed in the storm drain can block flow and cause localized flooding. Please bag leaf litter and grass clippings, or better yet, use them in your yard for mulch. To report an illicit discharge to a storm drain, call (407) 571-8331.