

**WIMBLEDON ON THE CREEK
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. INC.'S
RAIN BARREL POLICY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 202.007 of the Texas Property Code, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Wimbledon on the Creek Homeowners Association (the "Association") is permitted to adopt a rain barrel policy for the Association.

NOW. THEREFORE. IT IS RESOLVED, in order to comply with the provisions set forth in Section 202.007 of the Texas Property Code, that the following policies are established for rain barrels. and the same are to be known as the "Rain Barrel Policy" of the Association (hereinafter the "Policy"),

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Policy is to comply with the requirements of Texas Property Code Section 202.007, enacted by the 82nd Texas Legislature, effective January 1, 2012.
2. **PROHIBITED LOCATIONS:**
 - a. The Association prohibits owners from installing rain barrels/collection devices on any common area or property owned by the Association.
 - b. The Association prohibits owners from installing rain barrels/collection devices on an owner's property between the front building line and the street
3. **AUTHORIZED LOCATIONS:**
 - a. Rain barrels/collection devices should be generally designed to be unobtrusive in location and appearance and must not cause drainage problems to the property or its neighbors.
 - b. The location should take advantage of screening provided by existing or proposed structures and/or vegetation.
 - c. The installation of rain barrels/collection devices in attached housing shall be in accordance with the approved project standards established by the association for location, color, screening, etc.
4. **REQUIREMENTS OF RAIN BARRELS:**
 - a. The preferred location is in the rear or side yard; rain barrels/collection devices are prohibited in front yards.
 - b. The rain barrel/collection device must be installed at the base of an existing downspout,

- c. The overflow from the rain barrel/collection device shall discharge to the same location as the current downspout.
- d. The size of a rain barrel/collection device bin is generally limited to 36" in height and 24" in diameter.
- e. The container must be designed for the purpose of collecting rainwater; a converted trash can is not an acceptable alternative.
- f. The bin must be sturdily constructed of durable plastic in black, brown, green, simulated wood with a screened cover and a splash block provided for the overflow.
- g. Other colors which are consistent with the trim, siding or overall color scheme of the home or artistic designs will be reviewed on an individual case by case basis by the Architectural Committee.
- h. The rain barrel/collection device should be set into a landscaped *area*, so that its appearance will be softened by plant material. Additional landscaping or screening may be required to diminish the visual impact on other properties or from the street.
- i. The rain barrel/collection device should be an enclosed device to avoid becoming a breeding ground for mosquitoes and maintained *so* that it does not create a visual nuisance.

5. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL-SUBMIT TO ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE:

- a. A copy of the existing site plan showing the location of the house, any accessory structures, significant vegetation, property lines, and the proposed location of the rain barrel/collection device.
- b. A catalog photograph or manufacturer's "cut sheet" of the rain barrel/collection device, including dimensions, material, and color.
- c. A planting plan indicating the type and location of vegetation or other screening, existing or proposed.


IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this Rain Barrel Policy is effective on June 1, 2014, to remain in force and effect until revoked, modified or amended.

This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting of the Board on June 24, 2014 and has not been modified, rescinded, or revoked.


President

July 14, 2014
Date

State of Texas
County of Tarrant

This instrument was acknowledged before me on 14th day of July, 2014, by Linda Stapleton

Notary Public's Signature
My commission expires Nov. 2 2016

