

## Compliance Frequently Asked Questions

**Why does the Compliance Committee inspect the property in SpringWood Estates?**

Inspections are conducted by Compliance Committee members on behalf of the homeowners association. The principle behind the inspection is “your house reflects on my house.” Property values are dependent on the overall appearance of the adjoining homes, the street, and the development as a whole. The old saying, “one rotten apple spoils the barrel” is very appropriate in our subdivision. The inspections, and the resultant reports to the homeowners, are designed to identify shortcomings and deficiencies of the property, and bring them to the attention of the homeowner for corrective action. The governing document for the inspection is the SpringWood Estates, Declaration of Covenants and Restriction, which can be down loaded from Covenants page in this web site.

**What is a Covenant Violation letter?**

The Compliance Committee routinely monitors for compliance with our SpringWood Estates Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions. If a homeowner’s property is found in violation, you will be notified in writing concerning the issue. In most cases, except for grass cutting, etc., if the violation is not resolved in a specified period of time, a second letter will follow. In the event that you need additional time to resolve the violation, please contact the head of the compliance committee. If no action is taken by the owner to resolve the violation, the violation is given to the Association's Attorney for legal action. The intention of this monitoring is not to bombard residents with letters, or to snoop, but rather it is to make sure that all our homes are uniform and tidy so we can continue to be proud of our community. We have strong enforcement of our Covenants, for the benefit of all SpringWood Estates residents.

**If a neighbor violates the Covenants, what can I do?**

**When a neighbor violates the Covenants, please contact the Compliance Committee by EMAIL:**  
[compliance@springwoodhoa.com](mailto:compliance@springwoodhoa.com)

**I witnessed acts of vandalism or a crime in the subdivision, what can I do?**

You are encouraged to report any suspicious or deliberate acts in SpringWood Estates. If the act is in progress, call 911 and report to the police; otherwise, call the non-emergency Plaquemines Parish Police Department number, 504-564-2525. If possible, take a photo of the suspected vandalism or crime. Join the Plaquemines Parish Neighborhood Watch Group. Parents of minor children (under the age of 18) are responsible for acts of vandalism and will be held financially responsible for the repair or replacement of any damage. This is our community, and we are the ones who suffer from these senseless acts. Repairs ultimately come out of all homeowner's pockets unless vandals are reported and held accountable.

**What is the Parking Policy in SpringWood Estates?**

Each lot shall provide adequate off-street, paved parking for at least four (4) vehicles. Any residence constructed on a lot must include off street paved parking for all vehicles operated from that residence. Residents will not be allowed to park on the streets of the subdivision for no more than four consecutive hours nor will they be allowed to keep vehicles in a state of disrepair in a place that allows them to be seen from the street. No automobile, truck or any vehicle of any type including trailers, boats, motor homes, sporting equipment or any other equipment may be parked or stored on any street or front lawn. Front lawn is defined as any non-paved area between the street curbing and the front wall of the residence.

**Can I store boat trailers, campers & cars on my property?**

No boats, boat trailers, motor homes, recreational vehicles, campers or boat rigging can be parked or stored on any Lot(s) for a period of more than seven (7) days unless stored within a garage, carport, or outbuilding,

**or within an enclosed side and/or rear yard area.**

**I move my boat every weekend to go fishing. The boat is never in my driveway for 7 consecutive days. Does this meet the restriction that no boat can be parked or stored for a period of more than seven (7) days?**

**No, the requirement is that the boat cannot be stored for 7 days. The period does not have to be consecutive. It could be stored 3 days on week and 4 days the next week.**

**Can dirt bikes/motor cross, motorized bikes, or 4 wheel vehicles (any non-licensed vehicle) be operated in the subdivision?**

**Four wheelers, dirt bikes/motor cross, motorized bikes and the like are not allowed to be operated within the subdivision or adjoining properties. Parents are responsible for their children, so please do not operate or allow your children to operate such equipment in our community.**

**Are there restrictions concerning pets?**

**Ordinary household pets are allowed but snakes are not allowed. All domestic animals should be leashed and under control of their owner when not on private property. Pet owners should also clean up after their pets' deposits on personal as well as common property. We request that all residents respect the rights of others to a clean and safe environment. Plaquemines Parish Animal Control Department, Office: 504-394-3510 or 504-297-5402 can assist you with animal nuisance complaints, investigating dog and cat bites and picking up stray or unwanted dogs and cats. For normal service, call Animal Control Monday through Friday between the hours 7:00am and 3:30pm. Emergency calls involving aggressive dogs, life threatening situations or bites, call the Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office at (504) 564-2525 or call 911.**

**What is the speed limit in SpringWood Estates?**

**The speed limit throughout SpringWood Estates is 15 MPH.**

**Who is responsible for cutting grass on vacant lots?**

**It is the responsibility of each lot owner to maintain the grass in a presentable condition. The Association (and/or the Developer) has the authority to cut grass on any lot which it determines has become overgrown or unsightly. If a lot is overgrown or in need of grass cutting, the lot may be mowed at least monthly and the owner of said lot shall be billed actual costs or \$100.00 whichever is greater per mowing. Each lot owner is responsible for prompt payment for any lot cutting and responsible to reimburse the Association (and/or Developer) for all costs, including legal fees expended in collecting money due for lot cutting. The Association (and/or Developer) may place a lien on the lot to further secure payment.**