

## Frequently Asked Questions

**1. I did not get a copy of the covenants when I bought my property, do I have to abide by the covenants?**

**Answer:** Yes, the Covenants are filed in the Cherokee County Deeds Office and are legally binding on all lots in the Laurel Lake Subdivision.

**2. Who is responsible for notifying a property owner of a covenant violation?**

**Answer:** Presently the Architectural Control Committee will perform this duty. However, the covenants state that any property may also perform this role. If the person making the complaint wishes to remain anonymous, the ACC will do the notification.

**3. Can I park my car on the road right-of-way in front of my house?**

**Answer:** Generally no except on a very temporary basis such as when work is being performed on property or garage sales are being conducted, etc. The Property Owners Association, as stated in the covenants, manages the ten-foot right of ways on each side of streets in the Laurel Lake Subdivision. Keeping the right of way in good condition is the responsibility of each property owner in order to beautify the neighborhood. Please be aware that there will be times when utility and emergency vehicles will need to have access to these areas.

**4. Do I need to contact the ACC if I am going to paint my house the same color as it is now?**

**Answer:** Yes, anyone observing work in progress has no idea of the extent of the work you plan to do. Approval is quick for this type of repainting and the ACC can answer any question that might arise if an approval form is on file.

**5. If Pine Beetles have killed some of my pine trees, do I have to have ACC approval to have them removed.**

**Answer:** No you do not have to have approval, the covenants specify that dead trees can be removed at any time, however, we request a courtesy call so the ACC can expect equipment and chain saw activity in the neighborhood. The ACC will also like to know which trees that you intend to cut down.

**6. My neighbor has a dog that barks all the time, how can I get this corrected?**

**Answer:** This is a violation of the City of Nelson Noise Ordinance. A copy of all city ordinances can be found at city hall. A copy is also available through the LLPOA and is also contained in the Subdivision Covenants. This also applies to dogs who are not leashed or roaming the neighborhood. If you do not feel comfortable talking about this with your neighbor, you can contact an LLPOA board member. Finally, if the problem does not appear that it can be resolved in a mutually amicable manner, it should be reported to the Nelson Police at (770) 735-2211. There is also a phone number for Animal Control @ (770) 493-6200, and the Humane Society @ (770) 345-7270.

**7. Is there a limit as to what time construction noise can begin in the subdivision?**

**Answer:** Yes, 7:00am. This is also covered by a City of Nelson Ordinance and many examples are included.

**8. What can I do about excessive noise such as motorcycles or excessive automobile engine noise?**

**Answer:** This is a violation of the City of Nelson noise ordinances. All noise complaints can be filed anonymously to the Nelson police department at (770) 735-2211.

**9. What do I need to know about nuisance geese?**

**Answer:** The following link will provide information from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources concerning what to do and not do.

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