

Good Neighbor Tips

Hello fellow campgrounders and welcome to the 2021 season! The Residential Lease Committee looks forward to a fun summer together. As good neighbors, we each take care to limit the noise and light generated by our cottages as our cottages are very close together. Our Good Neighbor policy calls on us each to be considerate when a neighbor brings an issue to our attention. To that end, we would like to offer the following tips that help us all be good neighbors:

- **Use a headset** when taking extended cell phone calls or zoom sessions outside of the cottage so your neighbors don't hear your call.
- **Observe quiet hours** that begin at 11 o'clock in the evening. If it's a windy night, consider putting your wind chimes to bed or turning over a creaky rocker that might awaken your neighbors. You'll see that security often gives reminders to outside groups after 10 pm so that they will have time to move inside by 11 pm.
- **Consider your outdoor lighting** and be sensitive to creating light pollution with bulbs whose wattage is higher than necessary and to using excessive temporary and/or decorative lighting.
- **Be neighborly when addressing a concern.** If a neighbor has a concern with your outdoor lighting, you should be willing to reach a compromise as to for example how much lighting is used, how bright it is, and/or when it is turned on.
- **Attend to your dog.** Dogs cannot be left unattended outside, so if your dog is on the porch or in your yard, be sure to keep them company and join them! Please remember that dogs must be on a leash when leaving your property.
- **Keep in mind that only leaseholders, leaseholder family members, and their guests may have dogs** and ensure any tenants do not bring a dog as they will be asked to kennel their dog offsite or vacate the MVCMA.
- **Observe Sunday work hours.** Work on Sunday is only to be performed by family members (not a vendor) such as lawn care or quiet painting. Note Sunday quiet work hours that take into account the Sunday services throughout the day in the Tabernacle.
- **Limit interior camera use** to view only your own porch and ensure that your neighbors' cottage and common areas are not in your camera's view to allow for your neighbor's privacy. Exterior cameras are not to be used as they are not in keeping with the historical exterior of the cottages.
- **Consider tact and text** as tools that can help in letting neighbors know of a noise or light issue – they may not even be aware that you can hear them or that their porch light shines in on your bedroom ceiling!

While the campground has many rules, we can't make a rule for every situation, and that's where the Good Neighbor policy comes in handy along with patience, tolerance and a sense of humor that helps us enjoy the unique community of the Campground!

The Residential Lease Committee wishes you a happy and healthy 2021 summer season!