

OAK RIDGE MEADOWS HOA SOLICITATION POLICY

Policy Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to state that Oak Ridge Meadows Townhouses is a private community and is posted with no trespassing and no solicitation signs. This policy defines soliciting. This is an operating policy and does not supersede the Oak Ridge Meadows Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, or Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions.

Official documents Referenced:

North Carolina General Statutes 131F, 14-159.13; City of Greensboro Ordinance 20-65

- Oak Ridge Meadows enforces a strict no solicitation/no trespassing policy. For this purpose soliciting is defined as businesses or individuals who are selling goods or services to residents of the community or seeking monetary contributions. Postings on community websites are not governed by this policy.
 - Commercial vendors as well as “panhandlers” are not permitted in the neighborhood. Violators can be prosecuted for Second Degree Trespass under NC Statute GS 14-159.13
 - Residents within the community are not permitted to solicit their neighbors without the expressed written permission of the Board of Directors.
 - Residents or organizations need to apply in writing for permission to solicit the community. Permission is valid only when granted in writing by the Board of Directors and needs to be documented in the Board minutes and in Oak Ridge Meadows HOA – Policies, Rules and Regulations as an amendment to this document. A notice will be posted on the kiosk bulletin boards.
- Retroactive approval has been issued to the following organizations and individuals:
 - Residents and their family members to sell products at Community related events, charitable organizations or not-for-profit organizations.
 - The Boy Scouts of America
 - The Girl Scouts of the USA
 - All other solicitation activity would need to be approved by the HOA Board of Directors
- Those residents who desire not to receive solicitation visits even those approved by the HOA Board of Directors may purchase a decal to be placed in their window indicating “No Solicitation” at a cost of \$3.00 from the HOA.
- **What is not included in the soliciting definition:** Door to door canvassing for public or community elections is a right of free speech protected by the United States Constitution. Interfering with any election process is a violation of law.

This policy was approved by the Board of Directors on: December 6, 2012

Signed: *Susan Mazzella*
President

APENDIX A

Example of No Soliciting Decal

