

# Tuttle Estates Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)



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## Home Improvements & Yard

- **Do we need approval for a fence?**
  - **YES.** The Association must approve the fence and then apply to the Village of Plainfield for a fence permit. Please fill out the Architectural Improvement form and submit.
- **Below is a guideline, for TECA exterior home improvements. TECA Board Approval is required where you see an asterisk. Please fill out the Architectural Improvement form and submit via email.**
  - **Exterior Color\*** - If you are staying with in the Tuttle range of colors, similar to what is in TECA currently, you will be approved. If you want to consider a different color such as bold color, you must get approval first.
  - **Exterior Shutters\*** – Please see section on Exterior Colors.
  - **Windows** - The Board does not require approval of windows as long as they are of equal or higher quality.
  - **Roof Shingles\*** – We ask that you select a color that is close to your current color of shingle. If you are upgrading to an architectural shingle, please use color that is complimentary to the houses around you.
- **Are there any requirements for mailboxes?**
  - **Starting May 1, 2021** - All mailboxes must be installed in the ground. The use of a 5-gallon pail to hold a mailbox up will no longer be allowed. Residents with non-compliant mailboxes may be fined, after May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Do we need approval for a pool?**
  - **YES.** Pools have specific requirements in Tuttle Estates, including fencing. Please see the download related to pools. Any pool must be approved by the Association and the Village prior to any construction.
- **Are Sheds allowed in Tuttle?**
  - **YES.** There is a size limitation and a permit is required. See Codes/ Covenants for more details
- **Can we store a trailer or RV outside on our property?**
  - **NO** - All trailers (Boats, RV's, motorcycle, snow mobile, utility, etc.) must be stored inside the garage or offsite. Trailers may be in driveway for 2-3 days (preparing for or arriving back from a trip).
- **Can we park overnight on the street?**
  - **NO.** This is a Village of Plainfield ordinance. If you need to park on the street, please contact the non-emergency phone number for the police department and let them know.
- **Is there a high grass/weed code compliance?**
  - **YES** This is a Village of Plainfield ordinance. The village monitors and actively fines owners whose yards are not properly maintained.
- **Do we need a permit for a garage sale?**
  - **YES** First apply with TECA then request a permit with the Village. This is a Village of Plainfield ordinance.

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- **We have an invisible fence, are we responsible for our dog in the yard?**
  - **YES.** You are responsible for your animals anytime they are outside of your home
- **Can we leave our dog out in the yard unattended?**
  - **NO.** This often leads to dogs who will excessively bark (because they want in, or see someone walking by). Excessive barking is not allowed by the Village of Plainfield
- **Are Dogs required to be on a leash?**
  - **YES.** The Village of Plainfield requires all pets to be on a leash.
- **Are we required to pick up after our dog?**
  - **YES** - The Village of Plainfield requires all owners to pick up after their pet.
- **Can we build a dog run or a chicken coop?**
  - **NO.** Outdoor structures for pets are not permitted in Tuttle Estates.

## Moving and Refinancing

- **We need a letter from TECA for our mortgage/refinance**
  - We are happy to help. Please send the request into our email, and allow 5-7 days for it to process.
- **What is a PUD?**
  - A PUD or Planned Unit Development is a community that has individual lot ownership, community property, and a set of codes/covenants/rules to which all owners have agreed. Tuttle Estates is a Planned Unit Development.
- **Are all homes in Tuttle a part of TECA?**
  - **YES.** When you purchased your home, you agreed to be a part of the TECA and the governance that is in place.
- **We are moving, is there anything we need to do?**
  - **YES.** Please send us an email so that we can ensure everything transfers properly to the new owners. You will need a statement from TECA stating that you/your account is in good standing in order to close.
- **We never received a copy of the Associations covenants/rules.**
  - The codes/covenants as well as rules and regulations are available for download here at the website. (You should have received these as part of your closing).

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