

Dear RAP Homeowners:

I continue to get negative feedback from homeowners concerning the issues of pets in the community. I would like to address this both to the pet owner and also to the non-pet owner. This applies to all phases of the community including Regency Hills.

To the pet owner – please have your pet do their “business” on your own lawn when possible. Non-pet owners do not appreciate your pet being permitted to go on their lawn to “water” their bushes or their grass. Please keep them on the sidewalk. Many homeowners here are struggling to get their lawns established and urine can be very damaging to grass. Also keep in mind that as strange as it seems to pet owners, some folks simply do not like dogs. They are entitled to feel this way so try to understand and respect their wishes. It is up to you to have your dog leashed and have it under your control at all times. Please be courteous. It will help the non-pet owners respect your right to have your pet.

To the non-pet owners – pet owners of the world will never understand you, but it is your right not to have or like pets and to want them to stay off of your grass. You do, however, live in a community that allows pets and so we ask that you try to understand that pets are animals and cannot always be commanded to do what the owner wants them to do at all times. We charge the pet owner to have control of their pet at all times by leashing them, but most will not “potty” on command and most times have a mind of their own. Dogs are going to bark for many reasons. We hope it will be at a minimum. Pets to the pet owner equals how you feel for your children, which is something I’m sure you will never understand. Be that as it may, please try to understand and give a little where pets are concerned.

If you have issues with a neighbor’s pet, please try to work this out with your neighbor first if you feel you can. If not, please let me know so that we can work on something that will preserve your relationship with your neighbor, which is very important. Keep in mind that people do not mean to offend anyone and we need to address any problems in an adult manner when they arise so we can move on from there without hard feelings.

Thanks for your cooperation!

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