

SEA PINES CSA OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT BLOWER NOISE POLICY

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Effective January 1, 2023

- 1) Effective January 1, 2023 (the “Effective Date”), any individual or entity engaged in landscape maintenance or cleanup or removal for hire shall not utilize commercial grade leaf blower equipment unless such equipment has been rated by the manufacturer specifications as operating at or below a maximum of 75 dBA (per American National Standards Institute (“ANSI”) Standards B175.2-2000 (R2005)).

Any leaf blower equipment used in the Sea Pines community (“Sea Pines”) after the Effective Date shall contain a label confirming such rating.

- 2) The policy shall not apply to landscape maintenance or cleanup on the following:
 - a. Golf courses;
 - b. Tennis facilities;
 - c. Stables;
 - d. Leisure trails;
 - e. Commercial Parking Areas or common areas owned by Commercial Owners;
 - f. Road rights of way;
 - g. Any Residential Property for purposes of cleanup only, following a named tropical storm, hurricane, or other major storm as declared by CSA, that directly affects Sea Pines;
 - h. Open space and lands managed or owned by CSA.

Any individual or entity engaged in landscape maintenance or cleanup or removal for hire after January 1, 2023, shall attest to compliance with these requirements as a condition to secure permit for access into Sea Pines to perform such services in Sea Pines.

False attestation of compliance with the requirements of Paragraph 1 may result revocation of gate privileges.

- 3) It is the goal of the CSA Board of Directors to eventually restrict the use of commercial grade leaf blowers with manufacturers’ ratings over 65 dBA when such equipment becomes more widely available. CSA desires to further reduce the environmental effects of all leaf blowers used in the Sea Pines community, as soon as possible, but no later than the end of calendar year 2025.