

MODEL RULES

Set Rules Governing Use of Community Bulletin Board

Set rules that households must follow to be able to hang postings on your community bulletin board. Your rules should ban: postings that may violate fair housing law; postings related to illegal or illegitimate activity; and profane and pornographic material.

On an administrative level, you should: require postings to be approved by management; limit the length of time postings can stay up; and limit who's allowed to put up and remove postings. Talk to your attorney about adapting the rules for use at your site.

BULLETIN BOARD RULES

ABC Site is pleased to have a community bulletin board for management and residents to use. Residents who wish to post material on the bulletin board must adhere to the following rules:

- 1. FAIR HOUSING.** Material that can be perceived as violating fair housing law cannot be posted on the community bulletin board. This includes material that is religious in nature or that can be perceived as discriminating against people based on their nationality, color, disability, race, sex, or family status.
- 2. ILLEGAL OR ILLEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES.** Postings related to any illegal or illegitimate activities cannot be posted on the community bulletin board. This includes postings for solicitations of illegal activities, postings for sales of illegal weapons or other contraband, or any other postings that management determines, in its sole discretion, are for illegal or illegitimate purposes.
- 3. PROFANITY AND PORNOGRAPHY.** Material containing profane language or pornographic images cannot be posted on the community bulletin board. Management reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, what is profane or pornographic for purposes of the community bulletin board.
- 4. MANAGEMENT APPROVAL.** All postings must be submitted to management for review and approval before being put up on the bulletin board. Only postings bearing management's stamp of approval will be allowed on the board. Items on the bulletin board will be checked periodically. Unstamped or unapproved items will be removed from the bulletin board.
- 5. TIME LIMITATIONS.** All postings approved by management will be stamped with the date the posting was approved. All postings that have been hanging for longer than *[insert #, e.g., thirty (30)]* days are subject to removal by management.
- 6. PLACING AND REMOVING POSTINGS.** Only management may put up or remove postings from the community bulletin board. Residents who remove or put up postings on the board will be denied the privilege of using the board.
- 7. SIZE LIMITATIONS.** All postings on the community bulletin board must be *[insert size, e.g., 3x5]* inches or smaller.