

Have you ever wondered Why....?

Why do our Freedom Hill Cooperative member approved rules ask each resident not to park on their lawns (grass, dirt or weeds as it may be)?



Great Question! Here are some musings as to why all are asked to cooperate with this request and reasons to comply:

- Most lots have a septic system and leech field that needs to be protected to help ensure effective composting of waste and prolong the life of the system.
 - a. **Damaged systems cost each of us money to repair**
 - b. **The easiest way to protect the systems and keep our rent cost down is to keep heavy objects off the tank, leech field and surrounding area.**
 - c. **Not to mention that there may also be water lines underground located away from the septic field that could be damaged.**
- Not all systems are laid out the same which can leave one guessing what a safe area to park is.
 - a. **The reality is there are no safe areas on the lawn.**
 - b. **Regardless of where your system is located or how it is laid out... we all need to do our part and treat the systems equitably**
- If your car or a guest's car is found to be parked the lawn the responsible home owner will receive a reminder, continued lack of cooperation with the request not to park on the lawn will get you a rule violation letter or two.
 - a. **Too many rule violations for not cooperating will result in your membership in the cooperative being revoked**
 - b. **Don't risk loss of membership privileges (a.k.a member discounted lot rent and voting rights)**
- Should the septic system fail due to parking on the lawn and repeated requests to stop have gone unheeded, the home owner will be held responsible for the damage and the cost of the system replacement. **Average septic system cost is \$12,000**

That is \$12,000 reasons not to park on the lawn.

- **Parking on the lawn is on the top of the list of all the issues the Board and the member staffed rules committee deal with each year.**



Let's keep cooperation alive in the Cooperative

Thanks for Cooperating