

Guidelines for Landscaping & Yard Maintenance

- When our houses were constructed, the builder was required to install two 24" box trees, or one tree plus one saguaro (minimum height- 6 feet) in each front yard.

- The Starr Pass Master Guidelines require that all landscaping "must compliment and enhance the existing native desert with indigenous plant materials that are hardy to desert conditions. No exotic or non-native plants should be utilized."

- If you lose a tree due to an "Act of God" (microburst, flood, etc.) it may be replaced by a 24" box tree. However, trees, which are willfully destroyed or removed on purpose, must be replaced by saguaros taller than 6 feet or mature trees larger than those in 24" boxes.

- The trees and bushes along the sidewalks by your house need to permit a tall person (6'3") to walk without stooping and two adults to walk side-by-side.

- Homeowners must keep enough decorative gravel on their yard to cover exposed soil. Refresh your gravel as needed.

- Homeowners are responsible for maintaining the parking strip (the land between the street and the sidewalk), which runs parallel to their property line.

- Homeowners, who do not have regularly scheduled yard maintenance, need to be aware that the summer monsoons bring a surge of growth, which needs extra attention.

- Homeowners need to remove mistletoe from their trees. It is easiest to do this in the winter when many of the leaves have dropped.

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