

## **Florida Friendly Landscaping**

Florida statute 720-3075 (4)(b) states that “Homeowners’ association documents, including declarations of covenants, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, may not prohibit or be enforced so as to prohibit any property owner from implementing Florida-friendly landscaping.”

**However our HOA does require “Architectural Review” prior to installing Florida Friendly Landscaping.**

Florida Friendly Landscaping requires compliance with all nine basic principles

1. Right Plant, Right Place. Achieving a healthy, low-maintenance home landscape starts with putting the right plant in the right place. ...
2. Water Efficiently. ...
3. Fertilize Appropriately. ...
4. Mulch. ...
5. Attract Wildlife. ...
6. Manage Yard Pests Responsibly. ...
7. Recycle Yard Waste. ...
8. Reduce Stormwater Runoff.

When applying for “Architectural review” Diagrams showing intended layout of yard must be included, together with a timeline for the improvement to be completed.

Each Florida Landscaping yard, must receive certification from Pinellas County extension office to be considered as Florida Friendly Landscaping.

*Proof of certification from the Pinellas County Extension Office is required within 30 days of completion*

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