

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO: ALL RESIDENTS OF AMBERFIELD HOA

FROM: SHIREEN AMBUSH, PCAM
PROPERTY MANAGER

DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2006

RE: DOG WASTE

Many complaints have been received from residents of the community regarding accumulation of dog waste on the grounds. THIS IS ESPECIALLY A PROBLEM AT OPEN GRASSY AREAS ALONG SUFFIELD DRIVE AS WELL AS IN THE OPEN GRASSY AREAS LOCATED BEHIND THE HOMES, AT THE TOT LOT AREAS AND AT THE SOCCER FIELD. If you are a pet owner, please be respectful of your neighbors' property as well as the common grounds of the Association. **In case you are not aware, Montgomery County Law, City of Gaithersburg Law and community rules all require that pet owners pick up after their pets and properly dispose of their waste.** Furthermore, animal fecal matter serves as a food source for rats and will encourage a rat infestation if it accumulates on the grounds of the community. A rat infestation, once it is established is a health hazard in itself and is very difficult to completely extinguish.

As you may have noticed, there are some signs around the community which serve as a reminder of the County Law. The Board is considering additional signage to be placed in areas where dog waste is abundant. **All pet owners are urged to abide by the law so that the unsightly and unhealthy appearance of pet waste on the turf areas can be eliminated. Please be reminded that pet owners who fail to abide by the County & City Laws can be fined by the County and/or City and in cases of repeated violations, the pet can be deemed a public nuisance in which case the County/City can remove the pet from the premises.**

All residents are asked to take pride in the community by adhering to the community rules and County/City Laws regarding disposal of pet waste. If all pet owners within the community practice proper pet waste disposal as mentioned above, the eyesore and health hazard created by pet waste on the community grounds can be eliminated. The Board and management thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.