



Wildlife Policy

Florida is home to many species of native wildlife. These beautiful animals find refuge and create homes even in highly populated areas. Locations most wildlife may be found in throughout an HOA are walking trails, ponds, protected preserves and open space areas. The following are some important guides to living with the wildlife:

- Never feed the wildlife. Feeding the wildlife is dangerous and illegal. When wildlife is fed it will begin to associate humans with food and lower their cautious behavior of their surroundings.
- Dispose of food refuse in the proper receptacle within a sealed container. Do not throw them into ponds or preserve areas.
- Observe wildlife from a distance. They are an important part of the Florida eco system and should not be disturbed.

Should you experience an encounter with wildlife on common property within the Homeowners Association that you deem to be aggressive or threatening please follow the procedure's below to request removal of the animal.

- If the animal is an alligator Contact Florida Fish and Wildlife Gator Hotline at 866-FWD-GATOR (392-4286) to report the alligator.
 - FFWL will provide a reference number for the harvesting of the alligator which you must provide to your community manager.
 - Your community manager will then approve access by FFWL to the common property for harvesting.

- If the animal is not an alligator, please contact your community manager directly and they will assess the situation. They may then contact a wildlife removal expert to remove the animal.

Please visit the Florida Fish and Wildlife website utilizing the link and QR code below for more information about Florida wildlife species, how to live with Florida native wildlife and what you can do to prevent injury.

<https://myfwc.com/>

