

Maple Forest Retractable Awning Guidelines

Long a controversial issue within Maple Forest, the installation of awnings over decks was approved in 2006. Since only a few years of experience exist with awning installation both the Board of Directors and management company are going to be ever vigilante in seeing that appearance, use and upkeep are maintained properly.

Approval Process

- A copy of this guideline, signed by the co-owner(s) and the installer, must accompany the written request submitted to the management company. Include the name of the manufacturer where indicated.
- Color choices are limited to neutral colors that blend well with our building colors. A sample of your color choice must also be included with your request.
- Submit your request ahead of a board meeting that supports your timing. The Board decision will be submitted to you in writing.

Responsibilities

- Your contractor must provide a license and certificate of liability and workman's comp insurance.
- Although this is an exterior item it is foremost an owner add-on, it is not covered by association insurance. You are advised to discuss this with your insurance agent to make necessary adjustments to your policy.
- Building damage from the awning caused by weather or owner misuse will be the responsibility of the co-owner. This also covers damage from installation and reinstallation.
- Flame and/or heat producing devices, such as barbeque grills, candles, heaters and high intensity lights, must not be used under the extended awning at any time. Awning materials must be certified as fire retardant.
- The awning must be kept in good repair and presentable when extended or retracted. Awnings, while retracted, can become prime locations for birds to build nests. It will be the owner's responsibility to keep the area between the awning and the side of the building free of any nests.
- You must notify a new co-owner or a renter that they will be responsible for compliance of these guidelines. If they choose not to accept this responsibility the awning must be removed before new owner or renter moves into to the unit.
- Removal and reinstallation of the awning, at your expense, will be required during building painting or exterior work where the awning interferes with work to be done. If you choose not to remove your awning, a written waiver, stating you assume full responsibility, must be signed and submitted to the management company before any work will be performed.
- At no time should the awning be in the open position when no one is at home.
- **Prior to final sale of the unit the awning and supporting hardware must be removed and all holes patched and painted unless a copy of these guidelines, signed by the purchaser, is submitted to the association. This acknowledges that upon closing on the unit they assume full responsibility as stated within these guidelines.**

Specifications and Requirements for Installation

- The awning size will be limited to 12' 0" wide (max) with a cantilevered projection not to exceed 10' 0" from the building wall.
- Installation requires that attachment be made to framing members within the existing wall construction capable of supporting the cantilevered dead weight of the awning.
- Attachment of awning loads will be not be allowed solely into trim boards, battens, siding or sheathing. Roof mounting is also prohibited.
- All awning to building wall attachments must be water tight with proper flashings and polymer sealant (no latex caulking is allowed anywhere on our buildings).
- Awnings installed under soffits or overhangs must not block soffit ventilation grilles. If a min of 4" cannot be maintained then new soffit ventilation grilles (at co-owner's expense) must be installed at the ends of the awning.
- A min of 4" clearance must be maintained below any gutter for cleaning and maintenance.
- Electrical service required for motorized operation will require a city permit and city inspection. At no time can the electrical service be provided via extension cord from an outlet.

I accept the requirements and responsibilities as stated above:

Co-Owner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Co-Owner Address: _____

Awning Manufacturer; _____

Awning Installation Company: _____

Installation Contractor Signature: _____

Submit completed guideline to:
Leadership Management, P.O. Box 307, Hartland, MI 48353 or
dawn@leadershipmanagement.us

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