



**Hidden Hills Community Association, Inc.
POLICY**

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All garbage/trash, yard waste/debris and recycling containers are to be stored out of view from the street and adjoining or any proximate properties. The preferred method of storage is inside the home's garage. However, if the containers are too large to fit in a two-car garage with two cars, certain other options are offered.

Note: Enclosures or fences of any type require submission of drawings showing design, dimensions, and footings to the ARC committee for approval.

Following are the four options available to Hidden Hills homeowners for storing/screening all garbage/trash, yard waste/debris and recycling containers out of view from the street and adjoining or any proximate properties.

1 – An enclosure of brick, stone, or stucco may be used to match that of the residence. Homeowners choosing this option should check with the city for permit requirements.

2 – A wooden fence not to exceed 6' in height from the natural surface of the ground. The fence should be on a non-street side or back of the residence and should encompass no more than 10' by 5' of space unless approved by the board. The fence must be of standard pressure-treated, cedar, redwood, or other pest and weather resistant fencing, and must be painted to match the color of the residence. No vinyl, chain link, corrugated plastic, etc., is allowed.

3 – A screening hedge row up to the same dimensions as above may be planted. Landscape screening should be fast maturing (at least 4 feet high at maturity) and keep its foliage during all seasons. Trash bins must be kept out of sight in the homeowner's garage until the hedge is of sufficient size to hide the containers.

Recommended plants are Natal-plum, Pink Powder-puff, American Beautybush, native azalea, southern wax myrtle, pittosporum, Eastern coral bean, Walter's Viburnum, holly tea olive, yaupon holly, gardenias and Chinese privet (ligustrum).

4 – A "screen" using lattice fencing or trellis fencing may be erected if vines are planted that are evergreen and hardy to our area to create a screen year round. Trash bins must be kept out of sight in the homeowner's garage until the vines cover the lattice or trellis sufficiently to fully hide the containers.



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Suggestions for these screens are: Chocolate vine, Allemande, Passion Vine, Trumpet Creeper, Carolina Jasmine and Climbing Hydrangea. These all flower at some time of the year in addition to creating a good thick screen.

Other acceptable vines are any of the ivies or Virginia creeper.

Note: All of these plants have different sun requirements but will do well in our soil, salt and temperate climate. Research should be done as to sun vs. shade-based on individual planting sites. The best information can be obtained from the University of Florida Agriculture Services website: solutionsforyourlife.com