

TAMIAMI VILLAGE HOME OWNERSHIP POLICY

Purpose:

To establish a systematic and consistent policy for the ownership of property in Tamiami Village. To ensure that potential new owners have clear and concise direction in regards to their obligations during the closing process and after becoming homeowners in Tamiami Village.

Requirements:

- 1. Complete <u>ALL</u> sections of the application and provide accurate and complete information. Any documents submitted to the office must be clear and legible. Ensure that all information is easily seen and read and no parts of the document are cut off. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Please be aware that submitting an application does not guarantee approval. We will review your application and make a decision based on our screening criteria. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application process, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 239-997-2697. We are here to help you through the process.
- 2. Tamiami Master Association, Inc. has contracted C4 Operations Background Check Services and applies the same process and criteria for all renters, homeowners, and additional occupants.
- 3. Applicants are required to consent to a credit and criminal background check, have a credit score of 670 or higher with no delinquencies, meet minimum income requirements, and possess a clean credit and criminal background. Not having a credit score means the applicant does NOT meet the criteria. Processing time is three ten business days for US residents and five fourteen business days for non-US residents. Minimum processing time after the background check has been received from C4 Operations Background Check Services is thirty (30) days.
- 4. The minimum monthly income required is three (3) times the monthly maintenance fee of a non-certificate, Phase I corner lot within Tamiami Village. Acceptable forms of proof of income are recent paystubs displaying a minimum of one (1) month's income, prior year's tax returns, Social Security or pension statements. Bank statements are not accepted.
- 5. Individual income qualifications must be met by all applicants, with the exception of legally married couples. Unmarried couples, common-law couples, and individual incomes will not be combined to determine eligibility.
- 6. US applicants must submit the Tamiami Master Association, Inc. Application, a clear copy of a valid state driver's license or state ID, proof of income, (as listed above) and pay the nonrefundable application fee of \$100 per legally married couple or per individual, which must be paid by check or cash only.
- 7. Canadian applicants must submit the Tamiami Master Association, Inc. Application <u>AND</u> the Canadian Application, a clear copy of a valid Canadian driver's license, the biometrics page of a valid Canadian

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- passport, and proof of income (as listed above) and pay the nonrefundable application fee of \$100 per legally married couple or per individual.
- 8. Applicants outside of the US and Canada must contact the Tamiami Village & RV Park Office for information on the specific forms, documents, and fees required in addition to the standard application and proof of income (as listed above).
- 9. At least one occupant must be fifty-five (55) years or older, and the additional occupant can be no younger than fifty (50) years of age to become residents. Non-resident owners are not required to be fifty-five (55) years or older but must complete a notarized affidavit stating they will not reside in the home.
- 10. Guests staying overnight must be registered with the office by the homeowner or tenant for no more than thirty (30) nights per one (1) year period. The one (1) year period will be calculated from the first night of stay. Registered guests who will be present in the home while the homeowner or the tenant is away must be 55 years of age or older. Registered guests under the age of 55 are not permitted to be in the home within Tamiami Village while the homeowner or tenant is away.
- 11. Swim tags are required for each guest over the age of (5) who will be using the amenities. There is a refundable deposit due for each swim tag, payable by cash only and the swim tags must be returned to the office within 3 business days upon departure of the guests. Swim tags are NOT to be transferred from guests to guests without being returned to the office. Homeowners or tenants who fail to register their guests for each stay will be in violation of the Tamiami Village Rules, Regulations and Guidelines and their guests will not be permitted to use the amenities. Swim tag colors are changed **periodically**. The deposit is forfeited for swim tags which are not returned before the color changes, except when the color is changed prior to the departure date of the registered guests, then the refund will be granted providing that the swim tags are returned within 3 business days of the registered guests departure date. Tags returned after hours dropped in the overnight slot must be in an envelope with the homeowner's or tenant's name and address attached.
- 12. Occupants residing in the home, intending to stay for more than thirty (30) nights in a one (1) year period, must meet the same requirement as an owner by applying for residency and being approved prior to exceeding the thirty (30) night stay.
- 13. Tamiami Village allows a maximum of two (2) pets with a weight limit of twenty-five (25) pounds maximum per pet. Pets shot records and licenses must be submitted with the application. Restricted breeds are not permitted. Matters involving service animals over the weight limit, are handled by the association's attorney after the applicant(s) have been approved.
- 14. Once the background and credit checks have been received from C4 Operations Background Services, and are deemed acceptable, a mandatory orientation is required by all owners and occupants in order to be approved. The orientation may be completed by email or in person.
- 15. All applicants must submit <u>ALL</u> required documents: application (and application fee), proof of income, identification, whether a pet will be residing at the home, pet's shot records and license. The application is not considered complete until all required documentation has been received. The received date of the application will reflect the date that all the documents and fees have been received.
- 16. For transfers of homeownership involving a membership certificate, the transfer of the membership certificate must be approved by two boards. Subdivision Membership Certificates must be approved by January 9, 2025

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both the Subdivision and Master Boards. Co-Op Membership Certificates must be approved by both the Co-Op and Master Boards. The boards meet once monthly in the off season (May through October) and twice monthly during the season (November through April). There is specific paperwork that must be created by the title/closing company which must be provided to the Tamiami Village & RV Park Office in order to be submitted to the boards for approval prior to closing. The paperwork will instruct the office on how to prepare the new membership certificate for the new owners. It is essential to share this information with all parties involved, including realtors and closing companies who are unfamiliar with the certificate transfer process of the Tamiami Master Association, Inc.

- 17. An estoppel is a legal document that confirms the truth of certain facts related to a property. It is often used in real estate transactions where the seller provides the buyer with an estoppel certificate that outlines any outstanding debts or liens on the property, as well as any other relevant information that could affect the sale. The purpose of an estoppel is to protect the buyer from unexpected liabilities or other issues that may arise after the sale is completed.
 - 17. (A) Estoppels are ordered through <u>www.estoppels.com</u> and are required for all sales in Tamiami Village. The seller is financially responsible for the fees relating to the estoppel and the ordering of the estoppel will be handled by a title or closing company of the seller's choice. Per Florida Statute, the estoppel must be issued within ten (10) business days of the request. If the buyer has not been approved by the 10th business day, an additional fee will be charged when the title company requests the updated order through <u>www.estoppels.com</u>. The title or closing company has the option to wait until the buyer has been approved prior to ordering the estoppel to avoid additional fees.
- 18. Tamiami Village is not a Homeowners Association (HOA) or a Condominium. We are a Not for Profit Corporation. The monthly payments are referred to as Monthly Maintenance Fees. They cover trash pick-up, maintenance of the common grounds amenities and common areas. Monthly bills are not issued. Payment Coupons are ordered in April annually and the Accounting Department must be notified by the last business day in March in order for homeowners to receive a coupon book. The monthly maintenance fees are due by the 15th day of each month. Payments not received by the 20th day of the month will incur a late fee of \$25.00. Late fees as described in your documents will be added to your maintenance fees. Acceptable methods of payment are check or cash. Credit cards are not accepted for monthly maintenance fees. Automatic Payment Authorization may be requested during the potential homeowner's orientation or at any time after taking ownership of the home.
- 19. As a homeowner in the village, you are responsible for your own lawn care and maintenance of your own lot. Tim's tree service visits the village twice annually, once in the spring and again in the fall. Notices are placed through Constant Contact Email Program to inform residents of the specific dates. Tree trimming for non-certificate land renters in Phase I is maintained at Tamiami Master Association, Inc.'s expense.
- 20. Recreation and service fees may be adjusted by Tamiami Master Association, Inc. annually in accordance with the consumer price index. However, the monthly fee may be increased at any time the Grantor (Tamiami Master Association, Inc.) can show the total amount due is not sufficient to cover actual cost, plus twenty (20%) for overhead.
- 21. When you own a home in the Phase I section of Tamiami Village you only own the home. The land is rented from Tamiami Master Association, Inc. and land taxes are included in your rent payment unless a Co-Op Membership Certificate is involved. If a certificate is included with the home, you are then a member of the Tamiami Co-Op, Inc. and are responsible for your own land taxes. The Co-Op is located

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- within Phase I in Tamiami Village. Co-Op Certificate Holders are automatically a member of Tamiami Co-Op, Inc. and are eligible to attend the Co-Op Meetings.
- 22. When you own a home in the Phase II or III sections of Tamiami Village you own the land with the home regardless of whether or not a certificate is involved. Land taxes for the property are the sole responsibility of the owner. The Subdivision is located within Phases II & III in Tamiami Village. Subdivision Certificate Holders are automatically a member of Tamiami Subdivision, Inc. and are eligible to attend the Subdivision Meetings.
- 23. Lawn care is the responsibility of the homeowner. When you chose a lawn care provider, it's recommended that lawn care is scheduled for every other week during the winter and weekly during the summer.
- 24. All residential units, within Tamiami Village, are required to have a carport over the existing driveway. The front edge of the carport shall be flush with the front of their unit.
- 25. Internet is available to homeowners through Caller IP. The company offers basic internet for a one-time fee for each contract period. The internet may be transferred upon sale of the home after paying a transfer fee. Additional speed (boost) is available for an annual fee. Please contact the office for current fees. For other options for internet, such as Comcast/Xfinity or Century Link, homeowners must contact the companies directly.
- 26. Connecting and disconnecting of utilities is the responsibility of the homeowner. Electric is provided by LCEC, Water is provided by NI Florida and Sewer is provided by FGUA.
- 27. When choosing a closing date, it is important to keep in mind that the office requires a minimum of thirty (30) days from the date that the applicant's background check has been received from C4 Operations and Background Services.
- 28. Applications are handled on a first come, first serve basis to ensure fairness for our residents and applicants. It is imperative that the application be returned completed as soon as possible to ensure timely processing.

Supporting Documents:

Tamiami Village Home Ownership Checklist
Application for Buyers, Renters or Additional Occupants
Canadian Application for Buyers, Renters or Additional Occupants
Pet Agreement and Application
Tamiami Village Rules & Regulations
Recognition of Tamiami Village 55+/50 Status and Non-Residency Statement
Automatic Association Payment Authorization
Internet Service Transfer with Application
Building & Yard Maintenance Policy
Carport & Lanai Policy
Tamiami Master Association, Inc. Motions:
July 20, 2023
July 28, 2023

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