

# MELODY RANCH

## HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION



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### No Swimming

The Melody Ranch Board of Directors would like to remind all homeowners and their guests that the ponds located within Melody Ranch are not to be used for swimming, boating, or fishing. This is a requirement by the insurance company to reduce your fees and reduce the HOA's liability exposure to possible accidents. Signs are posted by each pond as a reminder. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and compliance.

### Covenant Corner

~ All vehicles shall be parked in designated parking spaces on the lot or the spaces provided therefore on multiple dwelling lots. No more than two vehicles may be parked in driveways for extended periods of time. No vehicle may be parked on any street within Melody Ranch or on any yard or common area on individual or multiple dwelling unit lots. This is Tier Two Violation, \$100 fine

~ There shall be **no exterior fires** whatsoever except barbecue fires contained within designated receptacles, i.e.: grills. This is a Tier Four Violation, \$300 fine plus applicable legal fees.

### Road Clearance Trimming

The roads within Melody Ranch are owned and maintained by the Melody Ranch ISD. As such the roads are within "road lots" owned by the ISD. These lots extend into most homeowner yards. It's not unusual for owners to think their property extends to the edge of the roadway. With a few exceptions that is not the case. Over the years owners have installed trees and plants along the roadways within the road lots. In doing so the owner is responsible for maintaining the shrubs and trees in a manner that does not interfere with vehicle traffic such as automobiles, firetrucks, school buses, ambulances, garbage trucks and delivery vehicles. Sight lines (visibility) are especially critical at intersections. Even on straight roadway sightlines are important so that the driver has time to react to pets, wildlife or children running into the street. Several times a year the Melody Ranch Property Manager will drive our neighborhood and notify those owners that need their trees/shrubs trimmed out of the roadways. This has worked well for the most part. However, it has become apparent that there is no existing guideline on how much trimming is needed. This document is meant to help establish expectations on trimming but is not intended to be an exact design standard. Rather it is a guideline to assist owners and contractors in their efforts to trim back plantings. In the event an owner is unable or unwilling to take the steps necessary to address trimming, the ISD may take the required action and bill the Owner. It is important that if owners do not keep adjoining plantings clear of the roadway, including sightlines at intersections, there is always the risk of liability in the event of damage to property, vehicles or injury to people.

Melody ISD Roadway Trimming Guideline:  
Roadways:

*Required vertical clearance is a minimum of thirteen (13) feet above the roadway and at least two (2) feet back from edge of roadway pavement.*

## Kids At Play

As the temperatures begin to rise, there will be more children playing outside. Please be conscious of your speed through Melody Ranch. **The speed limit is 15 MPH.** Please be sure to remind your guests of our speed limit and be aware of our smallest residents.

## Did You Know?

Did you know that many cultures call this month the "harvest month" or the time of harvest. Speaking of which, why shouldn't you tell secrets on the farm? Because the corn has ears, the potatoes have eyes and the beanstalks. August was named in honor of Augustus Caesar. It has 31 days because Augustus wanted as many days as Julius Caesar's month of July had. The extra day was taken from February. The month of August is often referred to as the "dog days of summer" but not because of pet pooches. Many people think this phrase stems from the fact that dogs tend to be on the lazy side during these hottest days of summer. However, it has to do with the star Sirius, also known as the dog star, which rose at the same time as sunrise during the month of August in ancient Roman times. It is said that if the first week in August is unusually warm, the coming winter will be snowy and long, and that for every fog in August there will be a snowfall. While I prefer not to speak of the "S-word" in the midst of such a beautiful summer, the hint of autumn's cool mornings are near. Have a wonderful month!



## HOA Payments

All correspondence and payments should be made payable and mailed to:

**The Meadows of Melody Ranch  
PO Box 4337  
Jackson, WY 83001**

Or, you can also opt to pay online through Comweb Portal.

Keep in mind that your payment to the ISD must be made separately from your HOA dues and made payable to Melody Ranch ISD. This is for your home's water usage each month. Please contact Tina Korpi or Deb Lutz at Grand Teton Property Management with any questions: 307-733-0205 or send your email to: [info@melodyranchhoa.com](mailto:info@melodyranchhoa.com)

## Email

Do you want your statements to be emailed to you? Would you like to be placed on the internal Melody Ranch email list? If so, please be sure to contact Grand Teton Property Management with your current email address. This will be used for Melody Ranch informational purposes only and will not be shared with other persons or third parties. Please add GTPM to your safe sender list to ensure delivery of our emails to you.

## Upcoming Events

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 AT 8:45 AM  
ZOOM

THE MINUTES FOR THESE MEETINGS CAN BE SEEN ON OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.MELODYRANCHHOA.COM](http://WWW.MELODYRANCHHOA.COM)

### DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023 AT 11:00

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ITEMS FOR REVIEW TO GRAND TETON PROPERTY MANAGEMENT BY NOON ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE DRC MEETING.

### ISD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TBD

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