



## EXTERIOR PAINT

### OBJECTIVE/GOAL:

To provide homeowners with guidelines when they make changes to the exterior color palette for their home. All exterior colors to Village homes are pre-planned by a professional color consultant to provide community harmony and attractive individual design.

### GUIDELINE DETAILS:

- Any changes in colors must be reviewed and approved by the Architectural Review Board or its designated consultant, the MVF Design Consultant. If repainting and not changing colors, it will be necessary to contact the Architectural Standards staff for all recorded colors.
- Color changes may include house siding or brick, house trim boards, shutters, front doors, storm doors, gutters, downspouts, roofs, windows, patio doors and sheds.
- For clarification purposes, trim includes gutter boards (boards to which gutters are attached), fascia boards (horizontal boards under the roof eaves), corner boards (vertical boards at the corners of the house), window and door trim (trim boards surrounding the windows and doors).
- Shutters and front door color may be considered the “accent” color on homes.
- The style of the house must be considered when choosing an exterior paint color. Traditional styled homes have a more varied color palette and more flexibility in color choices can be considered. Contemporary styled homes should use colors that blend more with the original community palette of colors.
- In communities where homes have garages that are shared with neighboring property owners, the garage doors and garage trim boards must have colors recorded on one of the two houses (typically, the recorded garage colors are the same as the house to the right of the garage).
- Flat paint is generally used for rough wood surfaces including garage doors; luster paint is generally used for hardboard surfaces including window and door trim boards. High gloss paint finishes are not permitted.
- All original and MVF approved colors are on record in the MVF office.
- If changing brands of paint (paint manufacturers) when repainting, colors need to be blended to match the recorded colors.

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### APPLICATION CHECKLIST (items to include with your applications)

- PIR (Property Improvement Request) form must be completed and signed by the property owner.
- Show areas where color changes are to take place.
- Samples of color, paint manufacturer, and/or paint code

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VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds) from paints and sealants are a major source of pollution in the air. Look for a low or no VOC coating when tackling interior or exterior paint jobs.

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**Questions: Call Architectural Standards (301) 948-0110**

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