

PLAY EQUIPMENT

The Inspectors focus on homes with basketball goals, hockey nets, soccer goals, and other play equipment in the VDOT right of way or with play situated in the street. Play equipment in unsafe locations will not be permitted. Basketball is a fabulous sport for kids! It increases aerobic capacity, improves agility, builds confidence and teaches team building skills. However, the Association does not endorse playing in the streets, nor can it approve the location of play equipment that encourages play on the streets. This is for the safety of the players as well as drivers. Streets are designed for vehicular traffic. **Prior to installing a portable basketball net, an application must be submitted to the Modifications Subcommittee. There are also specific guidelines as to the location where the net can be placed. Nets may not be placed in the VDOT right of way - which extends approximately 10 feet measured from the curb towards your home, but not less than the length of the driveway apron. They also may not be located on the sidewalk, on the street, or on the manhole covers over the storm water drains. On private streets, basketball goals must be located above the driveway apron. The same goes for hockey and soccer nets or other types of play equipment. Additionally, basketball goals must be stabilized by filling the base with water or sand or by staking the base to the ground according to the manufacturer's direction. Using cinder blocks or bagged sand is not an acceptable method of stabilizing.** If the topography of your lot precludes the approvable installation of a portable goal, there are basketball facilities available to use at the Nature Center, the Southern Walk Pool, Eagle Ridge Middle School, Hillside Elementary School and Mill Run Elementary.

Please reference Virginia Code 46.2-932-Playing on highways: No person shall play on a highway ... or on any part of a highway... designated... exclusively for vehicular travel. If a violation is noted, the owner will be mailed a letter providing thirty days for the violation to be resolved. If the violation is not corrected, a second violation letter will be issued, providing a fifteen day extension. If the violation remains unresolved, a final notice will be sent, providing seven days to rectify before a Hearing Notice is sent. If you have questions regarding this process, or if you receive one of these letters and are unable to correct in the time allotted, you may contact the covenants inspectors at covenants@broadlandshoa.com to request a reasonable extension to rectify the issue.