

Gate Operations

Safety Guidelines

The Villages has over 100 gate facilities spread throughout the community. While we are not a “gated community” and these gates don't restrict access, they provide the very important functions of safety and traffic control.

Gates require all vehicles to stop before entering a neighborhood and slow down before exiting.

Special situations you may encounter

Inclement Weather – During heavy rains, Gate Attendants at staffed gates will open the gate for you after your vehicle has come to a complete STOP in front of the gate.

Gate Attendant Instruction – In certain situations, the Gate Attendant may raise the gate and instruct more than one vehicle at a

time to pass through. This is done solely at the discretion of the Gate Attendant to prevent specific traffic flow problems.

Inoperative Gates – Look for traffic cones or barrels placed in front of the inoperative gate(s). Please STOP and safely switch to the remaining open lane and use the open gate. If you come upon a gate that is not functioning properly, please notify Community Watch so that repairs can be scheduled as quickly as possible.

24-Hour Dispatch: 352-753-0550

Cameras – All gates are equipped with cameras, allowing Community Watch to continually record and monitor traffic entering and exiting the community.

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Resident Lanes

- Resident entrance gates are raised by either the use of your gate access card or by pressing a button on the box where the card reader is located.
- When using your gate access card, please STOP at the card reader and display your card within 12-inches of the card reader.
- When pressing the button, please STOP at the card reader box and press the button.

Visitor Lanes

- Visitor entrance gates are raised by either the use of your gate access card, by pressing a button on the box where the card reader is located or manually by a gate attendant.
- If you are using a gate access card, please STOP at the card reader and display your card

within 12-inches of the card reader.

- If you are pressing the button, please STOP at the card reader box and press the button.
- If you approach a gate with a gate attendant, please STOP and allow the gate attendant to fully open the gate before proceeding.

Exit Gates

- Proceed slowly towards the gate to allow the sensor to recognize your vehicle and the gate to open.
- When the gate opens, proceed carefully, watching for all cross traffic, cyclists, golf cars and pedestrians.
- Only one vehicle at a time should pass through the gate. A second vehicle trying to pass through a raised gate will be damaged by the closing gate.