

Satellite Dish / Cabling Guidelines

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Please note: These are guidelines only. The intent is to provide some uniform and acceptable guidelines to homeowners for what will generally be viewed with approval regarding satellite dish placement, associated cabling, and/or other cable providers' cabling. However, the mandate still applies requiring the homeowner to submit an installation proposal for any satellite dishes, satellite dish cabling, or other cabling, and to receive advance written approval before proceeding. Said proposal should be submitted using the Architectural Modification Request Form (also known as the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Request Form). This form can be obtained from Creative Management or downloaded from the Association website at www.thediplomathoa.com.

Satellite Dishes

Acceptable placements for satellite dishes include the following two (2) options:

- 1) Attached to the back of the chimney; and/or
- 2) Free-standing on the patio, such that the top of the dish does not extend beyond the vertical height of the patio fencing and is not anchored into the concrete slab.

Cabling

Whether for satellite dishes or any other cable provider(s) service, cabling must be run so as to be unobtrusive and as concealed as possible from view. In no event shall the brick exterior of the building be used to anchor cabling to and/or to run cabling horizontally.

General guidelines to be used will be as follows:

- 1) Cabling run to multiple sources within the home shall NOT use the exterior of the building for various access points or anchor points, but shall enter the building at a suitable unobtrusive location (as identified below) and use the interior walls of the unit to run any specific cabling needed to specific sites within the unit.
- 2) All cabling from a satellite dish mounted on the back of the chimney shall be anchored to the chimney where the chimney meets the roof line, though not anchored to the roof shingles themselves, and shall be run between the small space available between the end of the gutter and the chimney.
- 3) All cabling from a satellite dish mounted to the back of a chimney and accessing the upstairs shall enter the unit through the soffit underneath the roof overhang and as near as possible to the backside of the lateral run of guttering and to the vertical run of guttering.
- 4) All cabling from a satellite dish mounted to the back of a chimney and accessing the downstairs shall descend the building vertically by being run behind the vertical run of guttering, using white ties to firmly affix the cabling to the guttering. Such cabling shall then enter the unit through the brick exterior and at a point no higher than ___" above ground level.
- 5) Any lateral running of cable required for downstairs access shall use the expansion joints between the patio's concrete slab and the house's concrete slab or brick exterior.
- 6) For end units, no cabling shall be run up or down the brick exterior of the end of a building.
- 7) For end units that are getting cable or phone service from the telephone company, cabling shall be run along the building at ground level, anchored to the brick at ground level, and run beneath the patio fence into the patio of the end unit. From there, it shall follow the applicable guidelines provided above.

8) No doors or windows, including framing, shall be used as access points or anchor points for any cabling.

As a result of the owner's decision to get satellite service or other cable service that mandates the additional equipment and cabling anticipated above, any and all water penetration issues in the vicinity of the access point will be presumptively assumed to originate with that point and will be the owner's full responsibility to repair. Failure to repair any issues that compromise the structural integrity of the building or the visual attractiveness of the building will be deemed a willful violation of the Association's constituent documents and subject to corrective action by the Association.