

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT – Online Forum Guidelines

Yes, Cuyahoga Falls – City of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

Yes, Cuyahoga Falls is an online forum where current Cuyahoga Falls residents may share opinions, engage in discussion, and even vote on ideas that they feel are best for the City of Cuyahoga Falls. We want to hear from everyone and have your active, frequent participation, thoughts, ideas and even respectfully delivered criticism. In that spirit, we ask that you contribute respectful and polite comments and content and agree to follow a few ground rules. We reserve the right to remove any content or ban a participant.

Please report content that you believe violates these ground rules to leedham@cityofcf.com. In the event that content or comments are removed, they remain a part of public record for the time period designated by the City of Cuyahoga Falls Department of Development's Records Retention Schedule (RC-2); however, no one will be able to see or respond to them on this site.

- **Identify yourself** – You are encouraged to use your actual name, including when posting comments or participating in discussions. Your online name is displayed as your first name and last initial. You may not represent yourself as another person, or imply any connection with any person or organization with which you are not in fact associated.
- **Be courteous, respectful and appropriate** – You agree that your comments, ideas and feedback will be constructive and will not sharply criticize or attack another participant or their ideas, avoiding the use of all capital, all bold or italic letters, or objectionable avatars or excessive links to external websites. Further, you agree to refrain from posting or uploading anything obscene, hateful, blasphemous or derogatory. You also agree to refrain from posting or uploading anything that is defamatory or libelous or invades another person's privacy or proprietary rights. If you need to ask yourself whether something is appropriate, it's probably not.
- **No spamming or intentional disruptions** – You agree not to deliberately disrupt discussions with repetitive messages, meaningless messages or "spam." Furthermore, you will not upload, post or submit anything that contains any viruses or cancel bots, Trojan horses, harmful code, or other computer software programs designed to interrupt another person's participation in, or enjoyment of this ***Yes, Cuyahoga Falls*** online forum.
- **No copyright infringement** - You agree not to post copyrighted material or content without permission from the content owner. Copyright infringement and the protection of intellectual property rights will be taken very seriously.
- **No solicitation** – You agree to refrain from sending any bulk unsolicited advertising, promotional information, commercial email or other solicitation (including, but not limited to junk mail, chain letters or pyramid schemes of any sort) to any person through the ***Yes, Cuyahoga Falls*** online forum.
- **Comply with the law** – You will comply with all applicable laws when participating in this online forum and will not use the ***Yes, Cuyahoga Falls*** online forum for illegal purposes.