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PORCH POLICY

Apartments at 33 Talbot Avenue have no porches. Apartments at 13 River Street have one porch. Apartments at 16 River Street in Buildings 3 and 4 have one porch while apartments at 16 River Street in Buildings 1, 2, 5 and 6 have front and back porch areas. This policy applies to ALL porches whether on the first floor or second floor at 13 River Street and at 16 River Street.

Access on back porches at 16 River Street in Buildings 1, 2, 5 and 6 must not be impeded.

Annually, ALL porches must be cleared from November 1 through March 31. This means porches must be totally clear with no furniture, tables, chairs, plants, windchimes, decorative flower/plant balls, etc. Absolutely <u>no items</u> on porches from November 1 through March 31. No exceptions.

From April 1 through October 31, residents may have items on their porch in a manner that does not obstruct an egress route from the dwelling unit or other area to the outside public way and that does not pose any other safety hazard. Additionally, residents are not permitted to obstruct or place a barrier blocking full access to porches. Porch barriers of any kind are not permitted. Screening and/or barriers, of any kind, blocking/obstructing the full view of porches is not permitted.

Violations of this Policy will be considered Lease violations. Residents violating this Policy will not be considered a "resident in good standing" and may be subject to legal action up to and including Lease termination.

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