

Elk River House & Cottage Rules & Info

Welcome to Elk River Cottage and Master Bedroom Suite. We hope you have a peaceful, restorative & happy time nestled in so much beautiful nature. Please ask questions if you have them about the house rules.

- 1. Driving on Elk River Court: Please be attentive and remember to drive below 10 miles/hour on our gravel road. (Several neighbors have expressed concern about this, one with a daughter who is allergic to dust. Non-adherence would risk my losing my permit to have guests.)**
- 2. Noise: Please honor the peaceful, quiet atmosphere of our community. No loud music, talking or parties. Quiet time especially 10 pm to 7 am**
- 3. Having guests: Please ask permission to have any guests. If guests do come, be sure they know about driving slow and other House/Cottage Rules.**
- 4. Dogs: Take your dog(s) on a leash to the field at the end of the yard to exercise and go poo. Take a baggie with you to pick up the poo and put it in the silver trash can by the gate. Dogs must be on a leash in the garden areas. Help me keep the meditation and rose gardens pristine and beautiful.**
- 5. Septic System: Our septic system is adequate but fairly old. Please put toilet paper and or diapers, feminine pads, etc. in the waste basket by the toilet. Place bags of trash in grey trash can by the gate.**
- 6. Cottage Heat: In the cottage, use the pellet stove as much as possible to heat all rooms.**
 - On white box opposite bathroom door, switch to “Heat”
Use arrow to increase or decrease heat.**
 - On the right side of the stove, switch to “AUTO’. You will hear the stove start.**
 - Let Katt know when you are running low of pellets. They are in the silver trash can.**

- **Ask Katt to show you how to clean the stove so it keeps working efficiently. Ashes can be placed in the silver trash can and or if I'm out in the garden, hand them to me to sprinkle in the beds.**

If really cold, turn on the electric heater in the bedroom. Be sure you turn it off when it's no longer needed. Electricity costs in California are terribly high.

The Master bedroom is heated by the house furnace. Weather permitting, we keep the house at about 67 during the day and 64 at night.

- 7. Elk River: We are gifted to live right on the main stem of the Elk River. Feel free to walk through the field to the edge of the high bank on our side of the river. Please don't go or let your dogs go down to the water so fragile stream-side ecology remains protected. Before reckless logging caused tremendous damage to the river, Elk River was a much healthier habitat for supporting the large salmon and steelhead populations that used it. We are happy that there is an ongoing watershed restoration project happening to help restore much of the river, including our part.**
- 8. Redwoods: The redwood forest on the south side of our property, behind the cottage and garage, is beautiful to look at but is privately owned, no trespassing. Enjoy the views from the patio, bedroom and kitchen windows if you are in the cottage. If you are sitting outside the master bedroom, enjoy the magnificent vista bordered on each side with redwoods. Trespassing could result in having my permit to have guests revoked.**
- 9. Phone and Internet: We are on the edge of cell phone reception area. Verizon normally works. Enable WIFI calling on your smart phone(s). Our fast Starlink Internet enables high quality and reliable calls. The internet password is on the stove in the cottage and on the desk in MBS.**
- 10. Registration: Please complete, sign and return the registration form to the host the day of arrival.**

- 11. Car and parking: Parking for the cottage is in the driveway in front of the garage; and in front of the house for master bedroom renters. Please stick to these parking areas.**
- 12. Drinking Water: We had a new well water purification system installed in 2022 and have extra drinking water filters under the kitchen sinks in the house and cottage. Master bedroom renters are supplied bottled drinking water.**
- 13. We are 10 minutes from Broadway (101 in town) and the beginning of multiple restaurants and shopping areas in Eureka. Old Town is 15 minutes away. The closest of many beautiful beaches is fifteen minutes away. Take advantage of all the brochures we have given you about restaurants, beaches, the zoo & Sequoia Park, hiking and biking possibilities and so much more. This is an amazing community and nature's bounty is magnificent.**

Phone numbers if needed:

Nancy Young (owner) 707-267-4752

Katt Walker (my daughter in law & co-property manager) 707 273-3464

Shaun Walker (my son & co-property manager) 707-616-4494

(Shaun also was photographer or Photo Manager for the Eureka Times Tribune for 24+ years so is a great resource regarding the community)

For emergency: 911

Eureka Fire Department: 707-441-4000

Humboldt County Sheriff's Office: 707-445-7251

(In the 2+ years I have lived here, there never has been a need for me to call the police. It feels very private and safe.)