



Garden Rules for Members

1. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots.
2. A limited number of garden tools, hoses, and watering equipment will be available in the community garden storage bin for use. All tools must be cleaned and returned to the garden shed after use.
3. The 12th Street Community Center staff will have the shed unlocked during their business hours. Each gardener will be given the code for the lock on the garden shed to access tools and watering equipment outside of Community Center hours. If you access the garden shed outside of Community Center hours, please lock it before leaving.
4. Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.
5. Each gardener must complete a Release of all Claims form before any work in the garden can begin.
6. Garden plots should be cared for or visited **at least three times a week**. It is the gardener's responsibility to notify the garden coordinator, and make appropriate arrangements, if he or she is not able to care for their plot in any given week. If any plot remains unattended for more than three weeks that plot is subject to reassignment.
7. The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden plots is prohibited by plot owners. The Garden Board may apply herbicides according to the procedures outlined in the Garden Board Bylaws.
8. Gardeners must receive permission from the Garden Board prior to installing fencing, structures, or other objects (this does not include trellises or tomato cages used to support plants).
9. Assignment of garden plots will be decided by the Garden Board. Preference for next year's plots will be given to the current year's members first.
10. Plot fees are due in full by April 1st, each year.

11. Gardeners may harvest vegetables and flowers from their garden only. The Garden Board would encourage gardeners to donate excess produce to a local non-profit organization.
12. At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving the plot as they found it in the spring.
13. The Garden Board is responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed at all times.