



CITY OF WASILLA COMMUNITY GARDEN

General Rules and Guidelines

The City of Wasilla Agrees To: Identify all plots by number and to make soil and water accessible to gardeners. Any additional potting soil will be provided by the gardener and **will not** be removed upon vacation of the garden plot.

The Community Gardener understands that these rules and guidelines have been developed to formalize the policies that govern Wasilla's community gardens. Garden rules and guidelines inform the gardener of the expectations of participating in the community garden, and provide a context for administering and enforcing policies.

1. Priority will be given to prior year gardeners. Gardeners may or may not be assigned the same garden plot as last year. **Gardeners must only plant in the plots they have been assigned. No trading of garden plots is allowed.**
2. One plot per household, unless extra plots are available.
3. Gardeners will be wait-listed on a first-come, first-served basis.
4. Gardeners agree to have something planted by *June 10th* and keep something planted the entire season.
5. Gardeners will notify the City in advance if they must abandon their plots.
6. Gardeners will keep their garden weeds to a minimum. Gardeners will be warned to maintain their gardens and given 10 days to correct all adverse situations or the plot will be re-assigned. Gardeners will maintain their gardens within the borders of their plots (vines are kept within the borders).
7. Plantings must not shade other gardeners' plots.
8. Gardeners **WILL NOT** use herbicides or pesticides, and will only use certified organic fertilizers. Gardeners agree to keep insects, pests and diseases under control so as not to affect other gardeners' plots.
9. Pets are not allowed.
10. Children must be actively supervised. Do not allow children to play on, or near garden boxes.
11. Gardeners must have their plots cleaned and cleared by *October 1st*.
12. Garden plots are assigned to one person or organization only and **are not transferable**. Others may garden at your site, but the responsibility of cleanup and other duties at the site will be the responsibility of the individual whose name is assigned to the plot.
13. The Community Gardener shall place weeds and dead plants into the trash bin(s) provided. Do not leave any debris in pathways.
14. The Community Gardener agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. **Failure to comply with all laws and regulations, including these rules, may result in the loss of the gardener's privilege to be assigned a garden plot.**
15. Garden plots are temporary fixtures. **The City of Wasilla reserves the right to relocate or remove the garden or any plots at any time.**
16. The Gardener understands and agrees that these rules may be subject to change at any time at the sole discretion of the City of Wasilla.
17. The Community Gardener agrees to assume all liability and to indemnify and compensate the City for any injury or damage to person or property or employees occasioned by or arising in connection with the use of the premises by the Community Gardener. The Community Gardener further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City against all actions, claims, damages or demands which may be brought or made either against the City's interest in the premises by reason of anything done by the Community Gardener, in the exercise or purported exercise of the privileges herein granted. **The City may terminate a Community Gardener's use of City property under this agreement immediately upon violation of any of the terms of this agreement or the rules adopted in connection with the use of the garden plots.**

THE CITY OF WASILLA ASSUMES NO LIABILITY FOR ACCIDENTS OR INJURY TO PARTICIPANTS OR OTHERS EITHER ON OR ADJACENT TO THE GARDEN AREA. NEITHER DOES THE CITY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS OF VANDALISM OR LOSS OF CROPS OR PROPERTY DUE TO THEFT.

I agree to abide by these conditions set forth for the Community Gardener.

APPLICANTS NAME: _____

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: _____ DATE _____