

Community Garden Rules

1. Assignment of garden plots will be awarded by a lottery system.
2. Plot fees are due in full before the garden season begins.
3. A \$50 deposit is required. 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. Once you return your key and inspection of the plot is made, your deposit will be returned.
4. **Planting season starts the first Sunday of May and will end the third Sunday of October. Plots must be cleared, and keys MUST be returned by the third Sunday of October or your refund will be forfeited.**
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 at least once a week. Plots unplanted by the third Monday of May will be reassigned. If any plot remains unattended for more than three weeks that plot is subject to reassignment.
7. The LTA Community Garden is always under surveillance.
8. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. All garden related maintenance is the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots. A bucket or container is highly recommended for weeds.
9. Tools will be made available for use during the regularly scheduled work time each week. A limited number of tools, hoses and watering equipment will be available. Gardeners must bring their own set of gloves to use for planting/weeding.
10. Each gardener will be given one key to the gate and storage shed for access to tools and watering equipment. Gardeners are responsible for bringing that key each time they work in the garden. Keep garden gate and storage bin locked at all times and return all tools. The key is NOT to be given out to anyone.
11. Access to garden will be 7 days a week from 6:00 am until 3:00 pm.
12. Children ages 12 and younger are welcome in the garden. They must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.
13. Climbing vegetation is allowed, however supports must be provided by the gardener if on an interior plot or on the outside plots on the side with a fence. Vining vegetation (e.g. pumpkins, gourds, watermelon, muskmelon, cucumbers) is not advised to be planted because of space restrictions.
14. Gardeners may harvest vegetables from their garden only.
15. The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden plots is prohibited, **NO LANDSCAPE MATTING.**
16. Any infraction of the guidelines will result in ineligibility for a plot the next season. Your \$50 deposit will be forfeited.

I have read the Community Garden Rules and understand that failure to meet the guidelines will result in loss of cleanup deposit fees and gardening privileges.

Signature _____ Date _____

Deposit _____ Date _____ Plot # _____ Key # _____