



Guidelines for Gardeners at Taylor Community Gardens

1. There are 20 garden plots in several sizes. This is to accommodate a variety of gardeners such as but not limited to children, beginner gardeners, individuals, youth groups, large & small families, and experienced gardeners.
2. Most of the garden plots are 2 cinder blocks high with a few being 3 cinder blocks high. These plots (3 bricks high) are suggested for individuals in a wheel chair or with other physical disabilities.
3. To involve more community members at the gardens, an individual gardener can adopt no more than two garden plots.
4. A waiting list will be established when all garden plots have been adopted. However, current gardeners with two plots will be asked to give up a plot to allow a new gardener in.
5. 90% of each garden bed must be fruits, vegetables, and herbs.

Taylor Community Garden Agreement of Use Statement

- I agree to follow all of the rules established by Taylor Community Gardens and to submit a signed copy of this agreement.

10% Back

- I have adopted a garden plot with the understanding that I will give at least 10% of the produce back to the community through Shepherd's Heart food pantry.

Plot Maintenance

- I will actively garden in my plot. I understand that I am responsible for watering, weeding, fertilizing, soil amendments and caring for my plot.
- If I choose to skip a season (i.e. doesn't want to winter garden) I will give up my plot. I will be able to have a new garden plot assigned to me in the spring.
- I am responsible for maintaining the appearance of my garden plot and 2 feet of bordering pathways. This includes cleaning up trash, litter, pulling the weeds, rolling up hoses, removing dead/dying plants and rotting vegetables and putting tools away.
- If my plot becomes un-kept at anytime, I understand I will be given 2 weeks notice to clean it up. If it remains in non-compliance, it will be re-assigned. I understand this is a one time courtesy.
- I will harvest my produce in a timely matter. If I am unable to pick my vegetables, I will notify WCCHD that my plot needs to be harvested and produce donated to the food

pantry. If the vegetables in my garden bed are un-harvested WCCHD has my permission to harvest and donate them for me unless otherwise communicated (i.e. saving seed).

- I will not pick produce from any other gardener's garden.
- I will record my produce donations in the donation book.
- If I must give up my plot for any reason, I will notify to the City of Taylor immediately.
- I will not grow noxious weeds, vegetables, vines or fruit that will interfere with other gardener's enjoyment of their gardening experience.
- I will report any problems, vandalism or damage to WCCHD by calling 943-3671.

Water

- I will water my garden. I will water responsibly. I will not leave my garden plot unattended while watering. I will report any plumbing damages to WCCHD immediately. When finished watering, I will coil the hose.

Organic

- I understand that Taylor Community Garden is an organic garden and I will only use organic fertilizers and pesticides. If I am in doubt about a fertilizer, I will check with WCCHD.

Tools

- I am allowed to use the onsite tools only for the purpose for which they were designed. I must clean the tools and return them to their proper place.
- I will report any broken or damaged tools to WCCHD by emailing nvreeiland@wcchd.org.
- I will store all supplies in the appropriate place.

Pets

- No pets of any kind are allowed on Taylor Community Garden premises.

Children

- I will encourage my children to come with me to Taylor Community Garden. I understand that it is my responsibility to keep my children focused on the garden activities.

Tobacco Products

- I will NOT have tobacco plants or products on site. I will not smoke and/or chew tobacco on site. Tobacco carries the Mosaic Virus that is easily transmitted to other plants and kills them.

Illegal Substances

- I will not consume alcohol or illegal substances on Taylor Community Garden premises.

Park and Grounds

- I will help maintain the grounds by keeping litter picked up.

Personal Responsibility

I understand that neither the garden group nor owners of the land are responsible for my actions.

This agreement is good from August 2006 to September 2007

I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE GARDEN GROUP AND OWNERS OF THE LAND FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.

Gardener Signature

Date

WCCHD representative

Date

All gardeners must submit a signed copy of this agreement before use of the garden site.