



Ward Park Community Garden Guidelines/Expectations

Your rights as a community gardener:

- You have the right to garden throughout the gardening season (May-October) during the current application year.
- You have the right to the basic amenities such as access and water.
- You have the right to equal opportunity and non-discrimination.
- You have the right to a reasonably harmonious environment and to appropriate conflict resolution measures when necessary.
- You have the right to garden in this space and to the non-commercial use of the bounty your labors provide.
- You have the right to donate bounty as part of the gardens goals and objectives.
- You have a right to an orientation to your garden by a representative from CCPRD.

From rights stem responsibilities. Because you and your fellow gardeners have these rights, you also share a collective responsibility. You agree that these responsibilities include things that are standard in all gardens as well as other responsibilities that have specifically been decided by CCPRD.

Responsibilities/Expectations:

1. To care for the land - active gardening required throughout the harvest season (May to October). Gardeners are responsible for keeping their plot and the paths surrounding their plot clean and free of weeds, tools, supplies, etc.
2. Gardeners shall at no time plant or weed in any other person's plot, except as directed by CCPRD Staff on garden work days* or by prior agreement with that plot holder. (* CCPRD must provide 7 days of advance notice to the plot holder prior to the garden work day.)
3. Maintain your plot within its confines without plants encroaching into common areas or other plots.
4. Keep common areas clear.
5. Be civil and cooperative in regard to other gardeners, neighbors, and the public.
6. To practice "Organic Gardening". For information regarding best organic practices, visit <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/answer.php#garden>. No herbicides or pesticides may be used except for organic-based materials, such as iron phosphate for snail and slug bait. Please note that certain plants are not responsive to herbicides, such as poison oak and blackberry. Contact CCPRD for recommended removal techniques.



7. Be mindful of water usage. **Water will be available from 9am to 9pm, seven days a week.** Gardens shall be managed for best practices in water conservation (e.g., drip irrigation, time of watering, clustering like plantings in zones). Minimize water waste. You are encouraged to use a timer for your watering. Ornamental plantings should be targeted to drought-resistant species.
8. Gardeners agree to respect the peace and quiet of the surrounding neighborhood. Children and guests shall be instructed to refrain from walking on garden plots, or damaging or taking plants, or fruits thereof, that do not belong to them.
9. Follow security guidelines recommended by CCPRD. Trust your instincts and know your gardening partners and neighbors.
10. To respect, share, and care for any CCPRD provided tools and supplies.
11. To adhere to compost and waste guidelines.
12. To notify CCPRD regarding any damage, concerns, conflicts, etc.
13. Anyone you wish to garden with you in your plot; at the time you sign this agreement, must also sign this agreement.
14. CCPRD approval is required for adding someone at a later date. If approved, all gardeners (for that plot) sign an amended agreement.
15. Plots cannot be given away by you to anyone else.
16. In case of illness, pregnancies, travel et al, inform CCPRD about your situation. Either party can find a temporary person to garden in your place; this person signs a temporary version of this agreement to end on a date of no longer than a three-month duration.

PARTICIPANT REASSIGNMENT:

If a participant has been inactive for seven consecutive days, CCPRD shall notify them with a verbal, telephone, or email warning. Gardeners have one week from the 1st notice date to resume activity. If active gardening does not resume, the gardener has not responded, or the garden member is not reachable, then a written 14-day notice to **resume activity or vacate the garden** shall be issued.

****CCPRD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE A PLOT AGREEMENT & REMOVE BELONGINGS IF PARTICIPANT CORRESPONDENCE IS NOT MADE OR ACTIVITY HAS NOT RESUMED AFTER THE 14-DAY WRITTEN NOTICE****