

2022 Community Garden Agreement and Guidelines

Rental Period and Process

- This membership agreement covers the time period between May 16th, 2022 and October 31st, 2022.
- Each household can rent one garden bed for one growing season. If there are any open beds after May 23rd, additional beds will be allocated to wait list members, and then the additional plots may be purchased by the garden members.
- Renters must hold a valid membership to the Millican Ogden Community Association.

Garden Etiquette

- The garden will be open from 7:00 am to 10:00 pm daily.
- Gardeners will respect other gardeners' rights and not act in a way that is detrimental to others.
- Gardeners will pick only produce or flowers from their own garden. Please be considerate.
- Gardeners will ensure they take responsibility for their children and/or their friends or relatives accompanying them to the gardens and make sure children are always supervised.
- If pets are accompanying a member, they must be on a leash and all pet waste must be picked up and disposed of offsite.
- Gardeners will be responsible for their own hand tools and will ensure that shared tools and equipment are cleaned after each use and stored appropriately.
- Make sure water is turned off after use and hoses are wound up and not left lying on the ground.
- Every Gardener will act as an ambassador by greeting and welcoming visitors and answering questions to the best of their ability.
- If anything in the garden breaks, or if your garden is vandalized or pilfered in any way, please email contact@locg.ca

Planting and Maintenance

- All gardens must be planted by June 15th and cleaned out by October 31st.
- Gardeners are expected to provide their own seeds, seedlings, tomato cages, hand tools, row cover, crop labels..etc.
- Gardeners are responsible for keeping their gardens watered regularly.
- Gardeners will not plant any invasive plants such as mint, raspberries or wildflowers.
- No plants higher than 4 feet so they do not shade neighboring gardens. No sunflowers in the gardens beds unless they are the dwarf variety.
- When compost or soil is available, gardeners will take only their share and leave enough for other gardeners.
- Permanent structures are not allowed i.e. the use of nails, screws, or permanent decorations are prohibited. Trellises must be stable in all weather conditions and must not shade other neighboring gardens.
- Gardeners must strictly adhere to organic gardening principles and will not use chemical fertilizers, pesticides herbicides or insecticides in the gardens.

- All weeds and plant matter must be removed from your garden box and taken home with you. Please bring compost bags with you for things needing to be removed from your garden.
- Gardens that are not appropriately maintained (seeded, planted, weeded, watered, harvested, cleaned up) will be forfeit and revert to the Community Garden Committee 14 days after notification to the gardener. Each gardener is responsible to ensure that their garden is maintained during their absence (ie. vacation or illness).

Volunteering

- Complete and record in the volunteer logbook a minimum of 3 hours of garden maintenance in support of the Lynnwood Ogden Community Garden. (This may include tasks such as watering others beds while they are away, weeding the perennial border, garbage pick up, event support or other things as assigned by the garden committee.

Renewals

- Previous years' members "in good standing" (who have abided by this Garden Agreement) have a first option of renewing the next season for the same garden bed and must register and pay by November 1st.
- Failure to maintain ones' garden bed will render you "not in good standing", and you will be removed from priority for the following season.
- Any unassigned beds after November 1st will be offered to wait list members and then the public. You may register for the wait list at <https://www.locg.ca/rent>

Signing this agreement absolves the MOCA from any liability, financial or otherwise which may result from activities related to the garden either by myself or others.

Failure to comply with the above conditions may void this agreement.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date: _____ Garden Plot: _____