



UPDATED 2020 COMMUNITY GARDEN RULES

Welcome to the 19th year of the Community Garden in Carson City. As a community investment now and in the future; water, some fertilizer, compost, and some supplies are available for your use. Weed killers, insecticides (other than insecticidal soap), and fungicides will not be allowed. However, volunteers will be available to help you solve problems your crops may develop. Your help will assure the success of the garden experience – please participate in making suggestions, talking with the Master Gardener and/or Garden Coordinator, and doing what you can to make the Garden a comfortable, happy, and productive place.

You are assigned BED # _____.

Your Community Garden Coordinator is: Lisa K. Taylor, 775-887-2252, taylorl@unce.unr.edu.

Disregard of any of the rules below may be cause for immediate and mandatory forfeiture of your assigned bed.

I agree and pledge to the following:

1. I paid a fee of \$20 to help cover garden expenses. I will plant my bed by June 1, 2020. If my bed is not planted by this date, and no communication with Lisa K. Taylor has occurred, my bed will be given to another gardener, and I will NOT receive a refund. I will water and care for my bed until October 1, 2020, including weekly harvesting of vegetables. I will clean my bed of all plants and debris by October 30, 2020 unless I have made arrangements with Lisa K. Taylor. If I must abandon my bed for any reason, I will notify Lisa K. Taylor.
2. My \$20 Community Garden fee allows me to attend UNR's *Grow Your Own* horticulture classes for free! Please complete a *Grow Your Own* registration form to take advantage of this \$120 opportunity.
3. Bed maintenance is required from the date of assignment (weather permitting.) This ongoing maintenance includes monitoring the bed and the area around the bed for weeds and removing them. As a gardener, I will plant or show the intent to plant through soil cultivation or deer protection on or before June 1st. On June 1, all beds will be evaluated and bed renters who have not planted or demonstrated intent to plant will receive notification that on June 1st their bed will be reassigned without refund. Beds will be cleared of all annual plants by October 31. Access to the garden will not be allowed after October 31st without extension approval. Exception made for compost pile maintenance and other extension approved activities.

4. I understand, for safety reasons, I will not be in the garden from dusk until dawn.
5. I will notify **Lisa K. Taylor, 775-887-2252, taylorl@unce.unr.edu, if I am going on vacation.** I will arrange for someone to water my bed and let Lisa K. Taylor know ahead of time, who has volunteered to act on my behalf, or ask them for assistance in finding someone to water. In order to have someone else harvest my bed, I will let Lisa K. Taylor know who that person will be.
6. I will not use weed killers, pre-emergent herbicides, or chemical insecticides such as diazinon, malathion, or carbaryl. I understand that insecticidal soap is an acceptable alternative. **I will not affect any other bed.** I understand that fertilizers, including chicken manure and compost, are allowed but dog, cat, or pig manure are not allowed in the garden.
7. I will **NOT** plant tall plants such as corn or sunflowers, as they may shade out the beds of other gardeners.
8. I will only take crops from other gardener's beds at their request for donations and the owner of the bed will let Lisa K. Taylor know it's ok for me to do so. If I take others' crops without permission, I will be banned from all future gardening. If I see someone else taking crops from other gardener's beds, I will report it to Lisa K. Taylor.
9. I will not plant poisonous or illegal plants.
10. Prior to planting and during the growing season, I will keep my bed neat and weed-free, and maintain the areas immediately surrounding my bed, including pathways and fences. If my bed becomes unkempt, I understand that I will be given one week's notice to clean it up or face dismissal from the garden.
11. In consideration of other gardeners and the adjacent neighbors, radios, music, etc., if used, must be kept at a low volume. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, children will not be allowed in the garden this season.
12. I will not bring glass containers or pets onto the site. **I will not smoke** cigarettes, use drugs or alcohol within or in any proximity of the community garden. Due to fire danger in Northern Nevada, I will not use fire in any manner within or in the proximity of the community garden, this includes barbecues, trash disposals, etc.
13. **I will not drive a vehicle into the garden.** I will park on the street rather than in the cemetery and use the entrance on the south side of the garden.
14. I will turn off the hoses at the main orange handle every time before leaving and rewind and coil the hoses up to keep the garden neat. I will lock the gates upon my exit from the garden and *will not* give the lock combination to others. I will wash my hands after I leave the garden.
15. **I will not plant anywhere other than in my assigned bed.**

16. I will participate in the fall clean-up of the garden. I understand that if I do not participate in the fall clean-up or make special arrangements, I will not be eligible for a bed the following year.
17. I understand that any items (i.e. fencing, tomato cages, bean poles, t-posts, etc.) left in my assigned bed will become available to me AFTER May 13, 2020. The previous user of the bed may remove them prior to that date.
18. I understand that before leaving the garden, I must ensure that the lock on the shed is locked, as well as the lock on the gate on Beverly Street, and that the combination has been rotated so no one may enter.
19. I understand there are not trash cans at the Community Garden, and I will take out any trash I bring in.
20. We are expecting the local deer herd to be a regular visitor to our garden this growing season. Returning gardeners are great resources for ways that have helped to protect garden beds in the past. Costs and strategies vary depending on what you plan to plant and the budget you have to spend on preventive measures.
21. I have read and signed the 2020 Carson City Community Garden Registration Form Updated with COVID-19 Additional Rules, which contains a Hold Harmless agreement and understand that it is on file with the University of Nevada, Reno Extension.
22. In the event any rule or requirement in the 2020 Carson City Community Garden Registration Form Updated with COVID-19 Additional Rules, conflicts with the requirements set forth in this document, the provisions of the 2020 Carson City Community Garden Registration Form Updated with COVID-19 Additional Rules, shall control.