

Troy Hill Citizens' Community Gardens Terms and Conditions

This contract is designed to protect the time and energy invested by each gardener and to ensure success of the community gardens. By signing below, you agree to abide by these terms and conditions.

Plot lease and renewal

Each plot consists of a 4x8 foot raised bed and costs \$10.00 a growing season, as defined as March 20st to November 31st. Prior year lessees who are in good standing are given the first opportunity to renew leases. The remaining plots are then leased to new members on a first come, first served basis. Although membership in Troy Hill Citizens is not required, it is strongly encouraged as it helps to further support the community gardens.

Garden Maintenance

During the growing season, gardeners are required to keep plots clean and free of weeds and debris, including dead plant material. At a minimum, plots should be tended to on a weekly basis. It is the gardener's responsibility to seek assistance from fellow gardeners or garden coordinators if they are unable to keep up with maintenance themselves.

All plots must be emptied and cleaned prior to November 31st. This includes any fencing or posts that were added to the raised bed. Any gardener wishing to continue gardening through the winter months (November 31st to March 20th) must get prior approval from the garden coordinator.

Garden coordinators reserve the right to revoke the gardening privileges of gardeners whose plots are left unattended. In the event that a plot is left unattended, the garden coordinator will notify the gardener via phone or email after which point the gardener has 14 days to resolve the situation. If the situation has not been resolved and/or the gardener cannot be reached for explanation by the end of this period, access to the community gardens may be revoked.

Gardeners are also required to participate in the regular maintenance of garden common areas. In addition, gardeners are required to participate in at least one group maintenance project per year.

Herbicide, Pesticides, and Fertilizer The use of synthetic and broad spectrum pesticides and herbicides are forbidden. The use of natural and organic products is acceptable, provided the applicator adheres to the product's label instructions. When in doubt, please contact a garden coordinator.

Compost Bins Please follow the instructions posted on the compost bins.

Personal Gardening Equipment The storing of personal gardening equipment is acceptable. Please properly label your tools and secure them in the garden shed. Small tools may also be stored in the gardener's plot. Troy Hill Citizens cannot be held responsible for any broken or lost tools.

Location (if new, list preference) Elbow St. <input type="checkbox"/> Lookout St. <input type="checkbox"/>	Bed #(s) (if renewing)	_____
Name _____	Year of Lease (yyyy)	_____
Email _____	Phone	_____
Sign _____	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	_____

Submit a completed form via the following methods. Payment (cash or check) will be required upon approval.

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