

The Ellen Wehrman Community Garden of Bordentown City Contract
Burlington St, Bordentown, NJ 08505

Mission Statement: The Ellen Wehrman Community Garden of Bordentown City strives to develop a community of citizens who work together to create a successful community garden and improve their community and beyond. The garden provides the opportunity for participants to grow their own fresh produce, as well as produce that will be donated to local organizations and individuals in need. The garden also provides educational opportunities for all ages to learn about gardening, sustainability and wellness.

Rules, Terms and Condition for Participation:

If accepted as a gardener, I will abide by the following rules, terms and conditions.

1. The fee for the use of the garden is **\$25** per plot, per year March 1 to November 1, due on or before June 15. There are no refunds past July 1.
2. Once assigned a plot, I will cultivate and prepare plot for planting by March 1 and plant within two weeks or by June 1. If my plot is uncultivated by June 1, I will lose my plot for the gardening year.
3. I agree to contribute volunteer hours toward community gardening efforts as needed. A sign-up sheet will be handed out in the beginning of the season. If for some reason I am unable to complete my chosen task, I agree to swap tasks with another garden member. If I swap tasks with another garden member, I pledge to complete those tasks. Failure to sign-up, complete, or swap my task will result in not be invited back the following year.
4. I will ensure that my plot will be cared for in my temporary absence (example: vacation), or if I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify the Garden Committee of my arrangements.
5. If my plot become unkempt or I violate garden rules, I understand I will be given 1 week's notice to clean it up. I further understand that failure to do so may result in my forfeiture of my plot. Forfeited or abandoned gardens will be assigned to the next person on the waiting list. Gardeners who continue to neglect their plots may not be invited back the following year. No garden fees will be refunded.
6. Only 1 plot per household depending on availability.
7. I will not expand my plot beyond the allotted plot size or into paths or other plots. I will keep all my plants within the limits of my garden and will not allow any plants to grow above 5 ft tall. I must keep my plot free of weeds, pests and diseases.
8. I will use only OMRI (Organic Materials Review Institute) approved products for pest and weed control and fertilizers in my plot. A list of these products will be posted at the garden.
9. I will remove **ALL** plant material including weeds, perennials as well as decorative objects or structures and bring it back to its original state at the closing of my plot, November 1.
10. I will only pick my crop unless given permission by another plot user.
11. I will keep my plot, paths and surrounding areas neat. I will separate weeds and diseased plants into a separate pile from the compost pile.
12. Guests and visitors, including my children, may enter the garden only if I accompany them. They must follow the rules, terms and conditions stated here. I will supervise my children at all times when they are in the garden. I am solely responsible for the behavior of my guests.
13. I will clean and return all community garden tools to the shed after use. I will not harm, interfere or remove tools from any other plots.
14. I will NOT consume alcoholic beverages, smoke or use illegal drugs on the Garden property.
15. I will work to keep the garden happy, secure, and an enjoyable place where all participants can garden and socialize peacefully in a neighborly manner.
16. I forfeit my right to sue the owner of the property.
17. Abide by hours set by the garden committee(dawn till dusk); be courteous of other gardeners and garden neighbors with regards to noise (loud talking, music).
18. No pets in the garden.
19. Garbage and recycling (no glass allowed in garden) must be disposed of properly.

Rules and Regulations are available in City Hall and on the BCEC.us website.

By signing below applicants are indicating they have read and agree to abide by the Bordentown City Community Garden Rules and Regulations. Applications will not be considered complete unless this form is signed, dated and returned. I understand that failure to abide by the Rules and Regulations may result in the immediate revocation of the use of the Community Garden and forfeit of any plants growing and registration fees.

Commitment

I have read and understand the application and accept these rules, terms and conditions stated above for the participation in the Community Garden.

Name (Print) _____ Sign _____ Date _____