

Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department

City of Hilliard Residents

Community Garden Program

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Telephone _____

Cell Phone _____ Email Address _____

Resident of Hilliard Yes ___ No___

Plot Used in 2014: _____

New Plot Location: _____ New Plot Number: _____

Garden Plot Sizes _____ 30x40 (\$70) _____ 15x40 (\$45) _____ 15x20 (\$30)

AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE:

I, in consideration of the permission hereby granted for me to participate in the Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department Community Garden Program, agree to assume the risk of any and all personal injuries to me or property damage, and to hold harmless the City of Hilliard, Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department, or their agents, employees, and volunteers from any and all injuries or property damage arising from this program, and hereby release any and all claims of whatever nature arising from there.

In order for the Hilliard Community Garden Program to be a success, rules have been established so that gardeners will understand his/her responsibilities.

Additional Information about Garden Plots: *(information may vary slightly from one location to another)*

- Gardeners may work on their plot any time between 7:00 a.m. and dusk, no activity is permitted after 9:00 p.m.
- Every effort is taken to ensure there are not low spots or areas that would hold water during preseason preparation. However, if an area is deemed to be unsuitable once the season has started, we reserve the right to ask gardeners to be relocated or issue a refund.
- Plot fees are due in full before the garden season begins.
- Garden plots should be cared for on a regular basis. If any plot remains unattended it is subject to reassignment.
- Each gardener is responsible for keeping his/her plants within his/her plot. Vine plants should be staked or another method used to keep them within the plot area (not to grow into the path or another garden plot or an open area around the plot). Failure to comply will jeopardize future gardening privileges.
- Any refuse collected in the garden area should be deposited in the designated disposal area or taken home.
- Pesticides may be applied to the applicator's plot ONLY. Read the manufacturer's label or call the Ohio State University Extension Office of Franklin County (614.866.9600) for directions on how to apply pesticides. ONLY pesticides from retail stores may be used (approved for home use).
- The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden is prohibited.

- Gardeners shall be aware of the proximity of the adjacent residential neighborhood and avoid fertilizers that may be offensive to residents.
- Preference for plots will be first-come first-served after plot fees are paid.
- Park in designated areas only. Please no parking on residential streets.
- Children are welcome to the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.
- It is your responsibility to notify the Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department if you are not able to work on your plot due to illness or other excusable circumstances.
- No illegal plants permitted.
- Gardeners need to bring their own equipment.
- Please cleanup and remove all personal items by October 31st.
- Please remember that you are in a residential neighborhood and the 25 mph speed limit will be strictly enforced (Hoffman).

Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department Responsibilities:

- Plowing of plots before the planting season and after harvest season.
- City will stake and layout garden plots.
- Watering - Water tanks are filled on an as-needed basis during the week. Wet conditions may prevent us from being able to get the necessary equipment in to fill the tanks. How can you help with this? Please be sure to turn off the water supply.
- Assignment of garden plots and all other space allocations. Gardeners are not permitted to make changes in assignments without prior approval of the department.
- Maintain common pathways.
- Monitor garden area.
- Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department is not responsible for theft and/or vandalism of individual garden plots. Rules are posted at the community gardens site.

Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department may amend and/or delete any community garden rules without prior notice to gardeners. Questions or concerns may be addressed at the Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department located at 3800 Veterans Memorial Drive or by calling Kenny Brown at (614) 334-2582.

I have read the Community Garden Rules and understand my responsibilities as a gardener in this program and what will be provided by the Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registration and participation in any Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department program or activity will serve as an agreement to allow publication of photos taken at any program/activity or facility associated with the City of Hilliard Recreation and Parks Department.