

Zion Canyon Community Garden (ZCCG) Gardening Guidelines

What to grow: Vegetables, herbs, flowers, and small fruit plants for home consumption, sales at the Farmers Market, or donation. It is not acceptable to allow quantities of produce to rot. No large structures, or large collection of non-plant items are allowed within the plots.

Gardening Approaches: Gardeners are encouraged to use organic gardening methods as much as possible. Gardeners shall not use pesticides or fertilizers that may cause harm to patrons of the garden or adjacent park or to plants, the tennis courts and other property in the park.

Plot maintenance: Regular maintenance is required. Plot borders will be 10' x 10' or 10' x 20' so as not to encroach on pathways. Diseased or pest-infested plants should be removed. Ongoing control is required of pest grasses and weeds that can spread into pathways and neighboring plots through seed dispersal or root growth. If a gardener fails to comply, he/she will be contacted and given two (2) weeks to comply. If not in compliance at the end of this period, the gardener will be notified of the immediate forfeiture of their plot.

Pathway maintenance: Pathways between plots and around the garden will be covered with gravel or wood chips and should be clear. Gardeners need to maintain (including weeding/mulching) the pathways around their plots. Personal gardening tools/equipment should be stored in your plot or in the shed or common storage area, not in the pathways. Vegetation from plots should not hang into pathways. (NOTE: pathway maintenance around your plot is not considered as part of volunteer time commitment.)

Tools: Gardeners must maintain and clean cooperative tools after use. Tools should be cleaned and returned to the storage shed and left in an orderly manner. Tools broken through negligence must be replaced by the gardener. Supply your own personal tools. These should be clearly marked with your name and can be stored in the storage shed in a box with your name on it. Store your box on the shelves on the right hand side of the shed just inside the door.

Watering: Each plot has a hose bib. Renters are responsible for supplying their own watering system.

Pets/children: Young children are welcome but should be under supervision at all times within the garden and kept out of others' gardens. Please do not bring pets inside the garden fence unless on a leash.

Security: Access to the gardens is through the main gate. The lock combination is _____. Be sure that the tool shed and main gate are locked if you are the last one leaving. Please leave the locks set with the numbers reading right way up.

Participation/volunteer time: As needed, each plot holder will contribute 1 hour of community volunteer time per month (on average) per 10'x10' plot rented for the maintenance and development of the common areas.

Compost: Plots have been amended with organic material. A compost bin is available for plot renters. Please add organic materials from your plot and keep moist. If you have questions about compost or composting, contact the coordinator. Do not place sunflowers or weeds in the composter. Cut all materials to 6 inches or less to reduce the composting time.

Communication: Email addresses and phone numbers will be shared with all gardeners. Please feel free to share your ideas and concerns with everyone.

Garden Season: The garden season runs from January through December each year.

Cost: The plots range in size and cost as follows:

- 1) 10' x 10' = \$15/year
- 2) 10' x 20' = \$25/year

The fee covers the plot, water, and use of facilities and equipment. The fee will be non-refundable after you have broken ground on your plot.

A **\$50 deposit** will be required with your application. If you should need to stop using the plot, the deposit will be refunded after you have cleaned your plot and it is found acceptable by the Garden Committee for another renter.

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Plot Rental Application**

Name(s) _____

I/WE AGREE TO THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS GARDENER(S) AT ZION CANYON COMMUNITY GARDEN:

Plot rental fees: \$ _____ Non-refundable (after starting gardening work) for (year) _____ (through December).

Refundable Deposit of \$50 (for either size plot) will be collected for plot restoration.

(Fee and deposit will go to the Zion Harvest Community Garden fund. Make checks payable to “**Zion Harvest**”.) Either give to the Garden Manager or mail to: **PO Box 733, Springdale, UT 84767.**

Time commitment: I/We agree to contribute up to 1 hour of community volunteer time per month, on average, as needed for the maintenance and development of the common areas.

Guidelines: I/We have read this Agreement and the Guidelines and agree to abide by them. I/We agree to follow any safety guidelines. I/We understand that disregard of the terms of this Agreement and the Guidelines is grounds for loss of gardening privileges at ZCCG and forfeiture of plot rental fees.

Current mailing address

Phone/home _____

cell _____

work _____

E-mail _____

Names, emails and phone numbers of people gardening with me/us:

The Town of Springdale and the Community Garden volunteers are not responsible for personal injury or property damage incurred by any plot renter or visitor, or for theft, loss, or destruction of any property owned by any gardener. All parties who rent plots in the garden shall indemnify and hold the Town harmless from any injury, claim, damage or cause of action that may be brought by itself or any other party in respect to the garden or use thereof. Zion Harvest and all parties who rent plots in the garden shall be solely responsible for damage to the tennis courts or park caused by use of the garden.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Committee Use:

Plot Number _____

Rental Fee \$ _____

Deposit \$50 _____ Refunded - Date _____