

OLGC Garden Rules and Contract

Garden Rules

1. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots.
2. Each gardener is responsible for his or her own tools. A limited number of tools, hoses and watering equipment will be available in the community garden storage bin for use during scheduled work times. Regularly scheduled work times are usually Saturday mornings from 8am to noon; otherwise you may come and go as you please during daytime hours.
3. Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by their parent or guardian and must be supervised at all times. **CHILDREN MAY WORK WITH A MINIMUM OF TWO PERSONS IF THESE ADULTS ARE REGISTERED IN THE OLGC PARISH AS CERTIFIED BY "Protecting God's Children" program IN THE DIOCESE OF SAINT AUGUSTINE, and with prior arrangements with the garden manager of the day.**
4. Each gardener must complete a Registration and Community Garden Contract form before any work in the garden can begin.
5. Garden plots should be cared for at least once a week. It is the gardener's responsibility to notify the coordinator if he or she is not able to care for their plot in any given week. If any plot remains unattended for more than four weeks that plot is subject to reassignment.
6. The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden plots is prohibited. We want to try to stay as organic as possible. Garden Managers are available to assist with weed and pest control options.
7. Assignment of garden plots is upon request annually. You may maintain the same plot yearly.
8. Plot fees are due in full before the garden season begins.
9. Gardeners may harvest vegetables and flowers from their garden only.
10. At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving the plot as they found it in the spring or next growing season.
11. The Garden Committee is responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed at all times. The Garden Committee will notify any participant who is not complying with the garden rules. Three notifications will result in loss of garden privileges and plot.
12. Pets are not allowed at the garden.
13. It is possible, for reasons of the parish management, that these garden rules could be changed, and also that the garden would be closed. This is at the final discretion of the pastor.

Release of All Claims

I, _____, am a participant in the OLGC Garden. As a condition of being allowed to participate in the OLGC Garden, I agree to the following:

1. I am duly aware of the risks and hazards that may arise through participation in the Community Garden, and assume any expenses and liabilities I incur in the event of an accident, illness or other incapacity. If I have had any questions about the Community Garden, its nature, risks or hazards, I have contacted the garden coordinator and discussed those questions with him or her to my satisfaction.

2. In consideration of being granted the opportunity to participate in the Community Garden, I, for myself, my executors, administrators, agents and assigns do hereby release and forever discharge the Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC), OLGC Garden Committee, Garden Coordinator, volunteers, other gardeners, and the cooperating landowner from all claims of damages, demands, and any actions whatsoever, including those based on negligence, in any manner arising out of my participation in this activity. I understand that this Release means that, among other things, I am giving up my right to sue for any such losses, damages, injury or costs that I may incur.

I represent and certify that my true age is either 18 years old or, if I am under 18 years old on this date, my parent or legal guardian has read and signed this form. I have read this entire Release, fully understand it, and I agree to be legally bound by it.

Family

Parent Printed Name: _____

Parent Printed Name: _____

Child 1 Printed Name: _____

Child 2 Printed Name: _____

Child 3 Printed Name: _____

Child 4 Printed Name: _____

Child 5 Printed Name: _____

Child 6 Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Individual/Couple

Printed Name _____

Printed Name _____

Participant's Signature _____ Date _____

Participant's Signature _____ Date _____

Garden Manager Printed Name: _____ Date _____