

### Girdwood Community Garden @ Girdwood Chapel

PO Box 1068 102 Heavenly Valley Drive Girdwood, AK 99587 907-783-0127

#### **Rental Agreement and Garden Rules**

AS THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY REQUESTING THE USE OF THIS GARDEN PLOT, I AGREE THAT I AND THE MEMBERS

OF MY GROUP WILL ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES:

Respect Girdwood Chapel Property: Girdwood Chapel allows public land use in good faith to fellow community residents. Follow all guidelines and keep your area maintained. Always show respect to neighboring garden plots and properties.

**What to grow**: Preferably, organic seeds and starts to compliment organic practices of gardening vegetables, annual herbs and flowers for home consumption and donations only.

**Organic community gardening**: Follow sustainable gardening practices. Any chemical, pesticide, or herbicide use is strictly prohibited. Organic fertilizer use is acceptable. Grow plants that upon maturation will not shade or impact other plots. No structures higher than 2.5 feet are allowed in plots. Harvest crops once they have matured to reduce free picking, and minimize waste.

Gardening etiquette: Be courteous, respectful and work together to create a safe, productive and conflict free garden. Maintain individual garden plot, and neighboring pathways. Accept shared responsibility for maintenance and cleanup of common areas, equipment, supplies, and infrastructure (tools, shed, compost, water system, signs, and pathways). Composting all plant debris, carrying out all trash, and replace tools. No illegal planting. No smoking, no alcoholic beverages, and no illicit drug use. No garden entrance while under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs.

Communal work requirements: Agree to volunteer for at least one scheduled garden work day, for general maintenance and garden care, throughout the growing season. It is vital to the garden's success, and use of the site is contingent upon our ability to maintain it. Communal work events will be scheduled throughout the season.

**Harvest & Cleanup**: Gardeners must level and cleanup their plots by October 1 or 1<sup>st</sup> snowfall. Any plots with debris after October 20th will forfeit their deposit.

**Water:** Gardeners will conserve and haul water to their plot from the water system.

**Children**: Children are encouraged to garden. Children must be supervised and respect neighboring garden plots, common garden areas, and other gardeners.

**Pets**: No pets are allowed in the garden area. Pets must be on a leash on Girdwood Chapel property. Always cleanup after your pet.

**Plots**: Plot registration is due by May 1st. A registration extension is applied to open or unclaimed plots. Each garden bed has a plot number. Planting must begin by the first week in June. Plots that remain unplanted by June 15th are assumed abandoned and will be forfeited without a refund. Keep garden plots clean and free from debris, and weeds.

Plot Abandonment or failure to maintain: Results in a violation and may lead to forfeiture of garden privileges. If you are going on vacation, or need to leave your plot unattended for a short period of time, please call or notify Girdwood Community Garden before an issue arises.

**First violation**: A written notice of the violation is posted in your plot and mailed. The gardener has 7 days to correct the violation.

**Second violation**: A written notice of the violation is posted in your plot and mailed. The gardener has 7 days to correct the violation and they forfeit their deposit.

**Last violation**: A written notice of the violation will be posted in your plot and mailed. The gardener immediately forfeits their plot and plot reservation for one year.

The Girdwood Community Garden (GCG) will make all considered decisions concerning these rules and any information not covered. The GCG reserves the right to cancel or change this permit at any time without notice. Fees are subject to change at any time without notice. All rules, guidelines, etiquette, and planning are modeled after MOA Community Gardens and other's nationwide.

I attest that I am 18 years or older and have read and understand the conditions of the GCG Rental Agreement. I am a resident of Girdwood or the Four Valleys area. I do not rent any other MOA Community Garden Plot. I understand that a written notice is required if I cancel my plot reservation to avoid abandonment violations. Without notice I will lose my annual deposit. Plot fee and deposit are due by May 7th. If plot fee is not paid by May 14th, my plot will be forfeited to a paying Gardner.

	Print Name	Signature	Date
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#### **Release of All Claims**

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participant in the Girdwood Community Garden. As a co Girdwood Community Garden, I agree to the following:	ondition of being allowed to participate in the
dirawood Community Garden, ragree to the following.	
1. I am duly aware of the risks and hazards that may aris Garden, and assume any expenses and liabilities I incuri	·
If I have had any questions about the Girdwood Commu	
contacted the garden coordinator and discussed those of	•
2. In consideration of being granted the opportunity to pmyself, my executors, administrators, agents and assign Committee, Garden Coordinator, volunteers, other gard of damages, demands, and any actions whatsoever, inclarising out of my participation in this activity. I understam giving up my right to sue for any such losses, damage	s do hereby release and forever discharge the Garden leners, and the cooperating landowner from all claims uding those based on negligence, in any manner and that this Release means that, among other things, I
I represent and certify that my true age is either 18 year parent or legal guardian has read and signed this form. I I agree to be legally bound by it.	•
Participant's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date



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### **Garden Plot Registration**

Name		Date	
Address			
City	Zip	<b>.</b>	
Phone	(email)		
Did you have a garden plot with	this community garden last year?	Mushroom Wall	
If yes, do you want the same ga Yes No	rden plot this year?	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	
If no, what area of the garden w (Plot # $1 - 10$ )		To Brewery To Church	
A clean-up deposit of\$10.0	d expenses of the community garden	an be assigned. The clean-up deposit will	
Please mark an area that you we expected to help during the sea	_	th during the season. Each gardener is	
Site maintenance Weeding control Path maintenance	Construction projects Annual planting Fall cleanup	Composting Social events Waste	
	d you like an experienced gardener to ner, would you like to help a new gar		
	munity Garden Rules and understand t fees and gardening privileges.	d that failure to meet the guidelines will	
Signature	г	Date	