

City of Ferrysburg Community Garden Application Form

The City of Ferrysburg Community Garden is a garden on the City Hall property located at 17290 Roosevelt Road where residents may reserve space. Gardeners are limited to one plot. Applications are not considered complete unless the applicant reads and agrees to the Rules and Regulations.

If you wish to reserve a plot, please fill out this Application Form and return to Ferrysburg City Hall **before April 23, 2015**. Applications after the deadline will be accepted based on availability.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Check if you allow your name and email address to be shared by the City to other gardeners.

Two (2) different size plots are available. Indicate which size plot you prefer.

4' x 8' by 12 inches high

4' diameter ring by 18 inches high

I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations for the Community Garden at Ferrysburg City Hall and I agree to abide by them. I understand that failure to abide by the Rules & Regulations may result in the immediate revocation of the use of the Community Garden and forfeit of any plants growing.

Signed _____ Date _____

Return to:

City of Ferrysburg
17290 Roosevelt Road
P.O. Box 38
Ferrysburg, MI 49409-0038

City of Ferrysburg Community Garden Rules & Regulations

These Rules & Regulations will help ensure that everyone using the garden will have a productive and enjoyable experience. Applications will be available at Ferrysburg City Hall and on the City website: www.ferrysburg.org.

Plots are assigned in April. So long as there is sufficient gardening space within the City to ensure that all residents desiring to garden may have a plot, gardeners from the previous season have the first choice of plots for the following year. Numbered plots may not be located in the exact same place as the previous year. Each household may not have more than one plot unless there are surplus plots available.

General Requirements

1. Gardeners must follow all local, state and federal laws. Gardeners agree to hold the City of Ferrysburg harmless for any and all liability that may be incurred by themselves or third parties as a result of the use of the premises. The gardener accepts the risk of loss.
2. Failure to comply with these Rules & Regulations may result in the loss of gardening privileges, including loss of the assigned plot.
3. The garden area is open seven days a week.
4. Garden plots are temporary fixtures. The City of Ferrysburg reserves the right to relocate or remove the garden or any plots at the end of the season.
5. No pets are allowed in the Garden.
6. Gardeners will park in designated parking areas and not drive vehicles into the garden.

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Gardening Requirements

1. No materials of any type shall be applied in a manner that affects adjacent garden areas.
2. By June 1, if a reserved plot does not show clear evidence of active gardening, the plot may be reassigned. Abandoned plots will be reassigned and treated as necessary.
3. By Columbus Day, each gardener must clear all corner stakes, fencing, trellises, string and all inorganic material. Any vines or large plants shall be chopped so a cover crop can be planted.
4. No motorized equipment shall be used in the garden before 9:00 a.m. on any day, except 10:00 a.m. on Sundays. Amplified sound is not permitted.
5. No planting of invasive, illegal or poisonous plants. Mint plants should be planted in pots so to avoid taking over.
6. No permanent fixtures may be installed in a plot. Temporary seasonal fences may be installed. Fences shall be installed in a manner that will not trap birds or insects; for instance, fencing will not be doubled over. Fencing material shall be black, earth tone or natural color to reduce visibility. Supports used by gardeners for fencing or vegetation will be traditional cages, stakes, strings and ties. Installed supports may not exceed 60 inches in height. Stakes must be green painted metal or made of wood or wood type products in a natural or earth-tone color.
7. Any mulching material must be either biodegradable or removable black or green material. If it is not biodegradable, the material must be removed in its entirety by the end of the season.
8. Gardeners must bring all tools and gardening supplies. Each gardener is responsible for keeping the aisle and area surrounding their plot free and clean of weeds, trash, and tools.
9. Gardeners shall securely close the gate when leaving the garden.
10. Water will be provided via a Garden Hose. Gardeners may store a maximum of two hand carried white, black, green or brown water buckets on their plot. All water collection/storage containers must be capped when containing water to prevent increasing the mosquito population.
11. Any debris and trash, other than compost materials, will be carried out at the end of the day. Personal items, other than gardening hand tools and water buckets to be stored on the plot, will be removed at the end of the day.
12. Place all weed, plant residue in designated compost area.
13. Place all trash and litter in designated waste container.