

## Mayo Clinic Community Garden

### Guidelines and Rules

- I will have plant items in my assigned plot by June 1, 2020 & keep them planted all season.
  - If I abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify the garden leadership.
  - If my plot becomes unkempt, I understand I will be given a one week notice to clean it up. If not cleaned up, the space will be reassigned or tilled under – in order to keep the neighborhood gardens maintained.
  - I will contact the Onalaska Park and Rec Department if I am unable to tend my plot at anytime.
  - I will keep trash & litter out of my plot, as well as from adjacent pathways & fences.
  - I will deposit all litter into trash barrels & vegetative matter into designated compost piles.
  - I will only grow legal, non-poisonous, & non-aggressive plants.
  - I will use only ORGANIC fertilizers, insecticides, or weed repellents.
  - I will not build any permanent structure in my plot. If I use a trellis or rabbit fence, I will keep it within the confines of my plot.
  - I will maintain a neat plot, keeping the surrounding area, as well, free from overgrown weeds, insect pests, and diseases. Paths between plots will be maintained by the Garden Manager.
  - I will be considerate of my neighbors by not planting sprawling or tall crops that might interfere or shade other plots.
  - I will pick only my own crops unless given permission by another plot user. I will harvest all produce & flowers when mature, & remove all plants when they have ceased to bear. I will arrange to have someone pick my produce while on vacation, & notify the Onalaska Park & Rec as to who that will be. Unpicked ripe produce will be picked by Garden volunteers after one week.
  - I will supervise & be responsible for anyone including children I bring with me into the garden.
  - I will wear appropriate gardening clothing (pants, t-shirt, etc) and closed toe shoes when working in the garden.
  - I will NOT bring pets to the gardens.
  - I will not smoke in the gardens, as it is prohibited.
  - I will not use drugs or alcohol in the gardens, as they are prohibited.
  - I will be responsible for bringing & maintaining my own tools.
  - I will not participate in any hostile behavior, theft and/or damage to MCHS-FH/Garden site and/or associates, as it will result in immediate forfeiture of my garden privileges & create potential legal action.
  - I will secure my valuables. Sponsoring organizations are not responsible for loss, theft, or injury/mishap on the grounds or parking area.
  - I understand that gardening hours are from 7am to dusk 7 days a week.
  - I will park my vehicle in designated spots along Midwest Drive when tending to my garden.
  - I will use only garden facilities for water or restroom needs.
  - I understand a water source will be provided by the garden sponsors.
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- A fee of \$30.00 will be charged for each plot requested. **Make checks payable to: City of Onalaska and designate for “Garden”.** The fee will be donated to a nonprofit food pantry or distribution agency in Onalaska. The fee will be waived for low income older adults.
  - I understand that neither the garden group nor owners of the land are responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless the garden group and owners of the land for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or any of my guests.

## **Acknowledgement of Guidelines and Rules**

I have read the Mayo Clinic Community Gardens Guidelines & Rules and agree to follow them in entirety.  
If I have any questions or concerns, I will contact the Onalaska Park and Recreation garden manager at  
(608) 781-9560 ext. 1

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Gardener Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

2021 Requested Garden Plot(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### **2021 Garden Plot Information**

I would like to request the same garden plots for next year (2019) or change to:

*Requested Plot Numbers:* \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Payment is due by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to reserve requested plots.**

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### **OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Application approved by Garden Manager \_\_\_\_\_

2020 Plot Assignment(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Entered on Spread Sheet \_\_\_\_\_

Entered on Plot Map \_\_\_\_\_