

Deer Lodge Community Garden



I, (print your name) _____ agree to the following guidelines at the Deer Lodge Community Garden (DLCG).

- I agree to pay the seasonal **\$15** rental fee for my garden plot. All plots are 4'x 8'. Gardeners are required to pay a **\$10** deposit, refunded after the garden season is complete and your plot is prepared for winter.
- Greenhouse seasonal rental fees are **\$20** with a **\$10** deposit that will be refunded after the gardening season. All plots are 4'x4'. If a plot is bought in the greenhouse, gardener can also have a plot outside for free.
- I understand that all watering, weeding and general upkeep of my rented plot is my responsibility.
- I will promptly inform the DLCG coordinator if I will be out of town for over 10 days and unable to tend my garden plot. **If the plot is neglected and attempts are made by DLCG to contact you, the plot may be reassigned to another waiting gardener and you will forfeit your rental fee and deposit.**
- I understand that neither DLCG or the City of Deer Lodge are responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless DLCG and the City of Deer Lodge for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or any of my guests.
- I understand that harassment and threatening behavior is unacceptable at the DLCG and will not be tolerated. Reports of such activities will be acted on quickly. Continued actions will be grounds for immediate eviction from the site and loss of all plot rental fees and deposits.
- If I have a complaint about another plot or gardener, I will bring it to the garden committee for resolution.
- I will respect and maintain all shared tools, hoses and other community property at the garden.
- Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.
- I will garden using **only organic methods** (no synthetic herbicides or insecticides). Organic fertilizers are preferred, Miracle Grow will be permitted.
- I understand the hours of operation are from dawn until dark.
- I will not make duplicate keys of any locks at the garden or give my key or lock combination to another person.
- I will not smoke, chew tobacco, or drink alcohol in the garden area.
- I will keep trash and litter out of the plot, as well as the entire garden site. There will be no onsite garbage containers, it is the responsibility of gardeners if you pack it in, it must be packed out.
- I will plant tall crops where they will not shade neighboring plots.
- I will pick only my own crops unless given permission by another plot user.
- I will not bring dogs into the garden.
- I will not plant or allow any designated Montana Noxious weeds to grow in my plot.
- Please conserve water. Unattended watering is not permitted. Notify garden coordinator of any leaks in hoses/water lines. Make sure all faucets are off when you leave the garden.
- City water ordinance may need to be adhered during critical watering needs.
- There will be no restroom facilities provided.

Please Mark which plot you would like:

of Outside Plot(s) _____ \$ _____ # of Greenhouse Plot(s) _____ \$ _____ Deposit \$ _____

By signing this contract I agree to adhere to the guidelines and rules listed above. Total \$ _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email Address _____

DLCG Use only: Rental fee paid: \$ _____ Deposit: \$ _____

Please return contract to MSU Powell County Extension Office, 409 Missouri Ave, Suite 102, Deer Lodge, MT 59722

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