

# Become a Bayside Park Community Gardener

Annual Rental Fee: \$80 / \$92 non-residents of Arcata

4' x 25' Garden Plot (Includes Water!)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLOT NUMBER CHOICES: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_

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**City of Arcata Indemnity and Hold Harmless Acknowledgment**

The undersigned understands that participation in some recreation activities is inherently hazardous, and while particular rules, equipment and personal discipline may reduce the risk, the risk of injury does exist. Some activities may be strenuous and may be affected by adverse weather conditions. Activities may take place on uneven ground or slippery surfaces. Discomfort and injury may occur. Catastrophic injury, paralysis or even death can result from participation in some activities. I understand that this waiver of liability covers any activity related to the City of Arcata and Bayside Park Community Garden. The undersigned certifies that he/she is in good health and able to participate in the activities of which he/she is registered. The undersigned assumes and agrees to hold the City of Arcata, its employees, agents, volunteers and/or sponsors and any other person, firm or corporation charged or chargeable with responsibility or liability, free and harmless from any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, loss of services, action and causes of action by reason of an accident, illness, injury, death or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from the use of facilities, equipment, photos, videos, and or participation in any activity sponsored by the City of Arcata. The undersigned fully understands the scope of the activities for which he she is registered and is voluntarily signing this form. The undersigned gives permission to be photographed/videotaped during participation in any activity sponsored by City of Arcata. The undersigned gives permission for any use of photos or videos without limitation (including public release) or consideration. It is recommended that all participants carry their own insurance coverage. The City does not carry insurance for program participants. I the undersigned, have read, acknowledge, understand and agree to abide by the statements and information noted above, including the waiver of liability.

My signature also acknowledges that I have read the **Garden Participant Rules and Regulations** and agree to abide by them. I understand that my failure to comply may result in termination and reassignment of garden plots with no fee refund.

	Signature		Date
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**Banned Plants**

The following plants are banned and participants will not plant them:

- Any "illegal" plant
- Himalaya Blackberries
- Petunias
- Jerusalem artichoke
- Volunteer Tomato plants
- Any type of Morning Glory (weed, domestic, flower)
- Any invasive plants that spread aggressively from the original site of planting, which takes over or over whelms any nearby plants.
- Please be aware that "white rot" has been found in a few locations on this parcel and adjoining parcels in the Sunny Brae Neighborhood. Gardeners have had some success growing Allium crops, such as onions and garlic, on this site. However, the city advises gardeners to be cautious and doesn't recommend the use of Allium crops from the Bayside Park Community Garden as seed stock for other parcels.

- White and Black Nightshade
- Canna Lily
- Castor Bean
- Mint (unless contained)
- Trees
- Any perennial that grows over six feet tall and/or is hard wood

## Garden Participant Rules & Regulations

1. Garden plots are approximately 4' x 25' and are to be used for growing fruit, vegetables and flowers for family use and not for commercial sales. If you have excess produce, please share. \*\*\* **The food bank could always use more.** \*\*\*
2. Garden Participants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The City gives priority to Arcata Residents. Current gardeners are allowed to retain their previous season's plot, when possible, or have priority in requesting a new plot. Plot marker must remain visible. Plots cannot be reassigned or transferred, except by the City. The City reserves the right to reassign plots for any reason.
3. Before implementation, any structural improvement planned for a garden plot needs to be submitted for review by the City. While structural elements can be added to garden plots (compost pile/growing tubs) these should be considered impermanent and able to be dismantled and removed quickly.
4. All plots must be maintained organically. Use of pesticides/herbicides is strictly prohibited. Please check with the Arcata Parks Division, your local garden store, the Master Gardeners website, or neighboring gardeners for organic means of dealing with gardening problems.
5. Any structure stretching across a quarter or more of a garden plot, should have a maximum height of 4 feet with at least 2 feet of space between to ensure sight lines through the garden and minimize shading of neighboring plots.
6. Gardeners responsible for cultivating, weeding, & watering. Plots/Participants must:
  - Be completely planted and harvested as the seasons / weather allows.
  - Have all diseased and pest infested plants removed or trimmed.
  - Be kept free of all weeds and invasive plants.
  - Maintain path at original width. If crops extend into a pathway they will be cut back.
  - Water is provided at site. Stay with the hose while it is turned on, hand held watering only. Drip system, oscillating sprinklers, diffusers or soaker hoses are only allowed when attended. Conserve water at all times.
  - Notify the City if you abandon your plot. If my plot becomes unkempt, I will be given a week's notice to clean it up. At that time it will be reassigned or tilled in.
7. Kids are strongly encouraged to respectfully participate in all the joys of gardening. However, in order for kids to assist with gardening, a current Registration Form must be filed with the Recreation Office. Supervision of kids is required at all times.
8. Common-sense list of No's:
  - No pets are allowed, even on leashes.
  - No motorized vehicles except for small rototillers.
  - No disrespectful behavior such as smoking, alcohol consumption, loud music, etc.
  - No taking what is not yours or entering another's plot without written permission.
9. Ensure that guests sign-in and follow the **Garden Participant Rules and Regulations**; Participants are responsible for their guests' actions.
10. Properly use equipment and tools and return them to their proper place. Return wheelbarrows empty. Place vegetation refuse in the designated area and remove all other garbage recyclables from the site each day.

Enjoy the season! Enjoy each other! Enjoy the food!

# City of Arcata Bayside Park Community Garden

## Garden Plot Application



## Food for Thought... Rent a Garden Plot!

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