Ken Lake Community Garden Guidelines

(The Guidelines pages 1 and 2 are for your reference and records, please retain them.)

Community gardens are to be used for recreational gardening and for growing vegetables and flowers for personal or family use.

- Failure to comply with any of the Guidelines will result in forfeiture of the plot and your rental fee. If your plot is forfeited for noncompliance of guidelines, you will not be eligible for a new plot until one full calendar year has passed. After that time, your name may be placed of the waitlist.
- 2. Assigned plots not worked by early summer, will be forfeited and reassigned. If, for any reason, your plot is inadequately attended, abandoned or forfeited, you will not be eligible for a new plot until one full calendar year as passed. Your rental fee is not refundable.
- 3. Plan your garden work during LCC park hours, which are dawn to dusk.
- 4. It is your responsibility to maintain your plot. This includes weeding, watering, thinning, pest management and harvesting. If you are unable to tend to your plot on a weekly basis, please designate an appropriate caretaker or talk with a fellow gardener during the time of your absence.
- 5. Remove weeds and grasses around your plot.
- 6. At the end of the season, gardeners are recommended to remove all non-plant material from their plots, e.g., tomato cages and wooden support structures.
- 7. Prepare your plot for the winter with a cover of leaves to promote the growth of microbes and provide habitat for overwintering butterfly cocoons. Nearby are maple leaves along the water out flow and the local USDA Forest property has lots of easily raked leaves every fall. Plant your garlic in October.
- 8. Children are welcome and encouraged in the garden but must be properly supervised by the gardener.
- 9. Please clean up after yourself and keep your plot neat and tidy. The main hose will be laid close to the plots, so mowing is not hammered. Hose kinking will damage the hose, so mindfully laid it out long. Vegetation removed from your garden plot must be disposed at home. The LCC will not provide garden waste removal.
- Respect your fellow gardeners. Plantings must be kept within the borders of your own plot. Keep the pathways and fence lines adjacent to your plot clear. Consider how trellised or tall crops may affect neighboring plots; don't shade your neighbor.

- 11. If conflicts arise, gardeners are expected to work differences out between themselves. Obtain the name and contact information of gardeners from Christina Morse. Such conversations could include "Hello this is your garden neighbor in plot so-in-so, I noticed your tomatoes are dying, would you like me to water them?" If gardeners can help keep each other accountable for watering, weeding, pest management and harvesting their crops, not only will we have a more attractive garden, but a stronger garden community.
- 12. All gardeners are responsible to assist with the maintenance of common areas. Gardeners are encouraged to participate at least once a year in a community task as needed. Together it won't take long, and you can meet your garden neighbors. Examples include removing invading grasses around plots, the edge of the gardens, helping to build a new raised bed and spreading wood chips.
- 13. Use of pesticides, herbicides and insecticides made from synthetic materials as well as use of chemical fertilizers is strictly prohibited. Fully composted manures such as steer and chicken manure are allowed. Fertilizers clearly labeled as "organic" are approved.
- Plants on the State's Noxious Weed List as well as illegal or invasive plants are not allowed. You can find the State's Noxious Weed List on-line at http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/. Marijuana gardening, whether medical or recreational is prohibited in the community garden.
- 15. Park rules must be observed while in the garden. Dogs, cats and other animals are not allowed in the garden at any time. This exclusion does not include service animals.
- 16. Garden theft or vandalism should be reported to Ken Lake Security by calling (360) 791-0129. Ralph is not responsible for animal invasions, including squirrels, bees, or birds. Due to the open nature of our garden sites, the Lakemoor Community Club is not responsible for loss of garden plants, products or personal items left on site.



Annual Community Garden Application 2022

Send completed application and \$35.00 fee by June 30th

Renewing gardeners do not need to submit a new application.

Send your application and fee(s) to: Christina Morse, 1515 Lakemoor Lp SW, Olympia, Wa 98512. Make checks payable to Lakemoor Community Club.

Name(s)		
Street Address		Cell phone ()
Home phone () Emai	1

_____ I would like a 50 sq. ft. garden plot for this year's growing season and have included the \$35 annual fee.

I AGREE TO:

-Accept the terms and conditions outlined in the Community Gardens Application Packet, including but not limited to the Program Guidelines.

- Be responsible for any guests that I bring to the garden.

- Defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Lakemoor Community Club, it's officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, suits, actions, or liabilities for injury or death of any person, or for loss or damage to property, which arises out of me or my guests use of premises or from any activity, work or thing done.

- I authorize the release of photographic images to be used for promotional purposes by the LCC.

- I understand that use of the facilities may be revoked or canceled at any time and without cause by the Lakemoor Community Club and I will have no claim or right to damages or reimbursement for any loss, damage, or expense resulting from revocation or cancellation, except in certain circumstances that the Lakemoor Community may agree to return the fee paid.

I have read and understand all conditions, rules, and regulations specified in the Community Gardens Application Packet and in this Agreement.

Signed	Date		
Payment method	Plot #	Date	
Date waitlisted			