

Burns Lake Community Garden Rules



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296 Nault Lane
via 1st ave

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Burns Lake



and find our website at
www.burnslakecommunitygarden.weebly.com

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Garden Rules

1. All tools belonging to you should be removed from the garden when you're done using them, as we are not responsible for your tools. All communal tools need to be returned to the garden shed and hoses to their original place after watering. Ensure the tap is firmly turned off.
2. In preparation for the following season, members are expected to clean up their plots in the fall by our season closing date (October 31). At this time, you can choose to reserve your bed for the next season. If you cannot complete this task by closing date, please make arrangements with the Community Garden Society.
3. Please refrain from planting invasive perennials in allotment garden plots. Examples: mint, Jerusalem artichoke, comfrey, horse radish, raspberries. Illegal plants are prohibited.
4. No herbicides, pesticides or fertilizers of an inorganic nature are permitted. Refrain from using artificial mulch in your garden bed (such as plastic) unless you intend to remove it at season's end. If you choose to use plastics, please ensure that they do not blow around. Biodegradable mulches are acceptable, with the exception of cardboard as it's very attractive to slugs.
5. Please be respectful of nearby allotment plots by refraining from planting excessively tall crops that will cast shade onto your neighbour's plots. Example: Mammoth sunflower.

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- If you wish to plant tall or trellised crops please be mindful of the light your neighbour's plot receives. Also in the spirit of respect do not water or harvest neighbouring plots unless you have been requested to. Please keep your garden as weed free as possible. If you have an issue with a neighbour, please inform the Community Garden Society.
6. Please use compost areas as signage indicates. No household waste is to be dumped in the community garden compost due to the risk of attracting animals. Please take garbage and recyclables home for processing.
 7. Due to soil compaction vehicles are not permitted within the community garden. Please use the parking area unless other arrangements have been made with the community garden society.
 8. Please do not leave children untended in the garden.
 9. Dogs are welcome on leashes. You are expected to remove any feces your pet deposits with-in or around the community garden.
 10. Please pay all fees by the due date (April 1). If you cannot pay on time, please contact the Community Garden Society. Your plot will be reassigned otherwise. Please choose and sign up for your volunteer hours by (May 31). Check the bulletin board (posted on the garden shed) regularly for information on upcoming events, you will also find the rules posted there.

Friends of the garden program

The friends of the garden program exists to involve those interested in our work bees and educational events, and those interested in supporting the garden in general, who do not wish to have allotment plots. We will keep you up-to-date with all of our garden activities via an email newsletter. We ask that you donate a small amount of your time (4 hours a season) and pay a fee of \$10 to help ensure the garden and our gardening projects continue. You will be given the opportunity to sign up for all our courses, presentations and work bees before the public. Your volunteer hours will be used to help with communal areas in the garden, such as our raspberry and communal potato patch, as well as light year end clean up.

If you would like to donate the member fee (\$20) for future gardeners who cannot afford to pay for themselves, your name will be added to our donation wall on the garden shed (coming soon!). Thank you for your interest in our Friends of the Garden Program.

For further information, please e-mail us at: blcommunitygarden@outlook.com or find us on Facebook- Burns Lake Community Garden.

The purpose of the BLCGS is to:

- a. to provide gardening opportunities to the people of Burns Lake
- b. to ensure food security through the production of fresh produce and plants
- c. to promote neighbourhood improvement, sense of community and connection to the environment
- d. to provide educational activities that promote food sustainability at the community level