



**7th Avenue Community Garden
Long Branch, NJ 07740**

**2021 COMMUNITY GARDEN SEASON: GARDNER RESPONSIBILITIES
AND RULES:**

- 1.** I will remove trash and keep weeds down on my plot and the walkways surrounding it. **All diseased or pest infested plants must be removed immediately.**
- 2.** I will ensure that my plot will be cared for in my temporary absence (example: vacation), or if I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify Rose Nolan, the Office of Economic Development or Community Gardening Specialist.
- 3.** If my plot becomes unkempt, I understand I will be given notice to clean it up. I further understand that failure to do so may result in forfeiture of my plot. Forfeited or abandoned gardens will be assigned to the next person on the waiting list.
- 4.** I will remove ALL plant material including weeds, perennials as well as decorative objects or structures and bring it back to its original state at the closing of my plot.
- 5.** If I'm able, I agree to contribute volunteer hours toward community gardening efforts as needed.
- 6. I will participate in the fall clean up of the Garden and at least 1 or 2 other mandatory work days: August and October.**
- 7.** I will pick only my own crops and no one else's unless given permission by another plot user.
- 8.** I will use only OMRI (Organic Materials Review Institute) approved products for pest and weed control in my plot. If I am uncertain, I will check with the Specialist.
- 9.** I will turn off all water spigots including main, diverter and hose sprayers after use. I will NOT drag hoses through someone else's garden plot.
- 10.** I will transfer any and all garden waste to the designated curb area in a neat manner. I will NOT leave garden waste or debris in the walkways or common areas.
- 11.** I will clean and return all community garden tools to the shed after use. I will NOT harm, interfere with or remove tools from any plot.
- 12.** Any small children that accompany me will be supervised by an adult at all times.

13. I will **NOT** consume alcoholic beverages or smoke anywhere on City of Long Branch property. **Pets (dogs, cats, pigs, horses, hamsters, etc.) are NOT ALLOWED** period!!
14. The following materials are allowed for use to enclose individual plots: 3' Unhook Stakes, 4' Unhook stakes, flexible PLASTIC fencing no taller than 3'. **METAL FENCING, POLES, OR APIKES ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR USE AROUND INDIVIDUAL PLOT (other than those provided by the City).**
15. No crops shall shade a neighboring garden.
16. The following crops are **NOT** allowed and will be removed if planted: **Marijuana, raspberries, Israel artichoke, and mint.** No growing structure [trellis wood only, cage] can be over 5 feet tall. Since corn is over 5' and is discouraged in individual plots.
17. The planting of mono crops is discouraged. Crop rotation (especially tomatoes & potatoes) from year to year is vital to the health of the soil.
18. Respect for not only the garden, but also respect for each other is necessary to create an easy going & friendly atmosphere. Please maintain good relations with all other member of the garden.
19. All Previous registrations are invalid.

Plots are assigned annually on a first come-first-served policy, based on previous year's participation. Long Branch residents will be given first preference. If no plots are available, we'll keep a waiting list and will notify interested parties as space becomes available. Garden season ends October 31, 2021. Garden Hours for 2021 season are: Tuesdays and Thursdays (9:30am-4:30pm). Communal plots are intended to be worked and shared among gardeners. Communication and updates as needed via email and/or text. The garden can also be opened to those with plots upon request to the OCED. The garden will close at 4:30 PM. Some weekends also!

Call or email Jacob Jones, Director, Office of Economic Development at (732) 923-2043 jjones@longbranch.org OR Rose Nolan at (732) 923-2043 rnolan@longbranch.org

Please retain this page for future reference.

I have read and understand the above-listed rules. I fully understand and attest to the same by virtue of my signature below.

Print Name

Signature