



Community Gardener Agreement

Introduction

The Town of Indian Shores Town Council is the governing authority for the Indian Shores Community Garden. Breaking of rules, terms, and conditions is cause for exclusion from the garden and loss of your use of the Community Garden.

- 1) You will receive one warning in person, by phone, or E-mail for an infraction of the rules by the “Garden Coordinator” or Town staff. Fast and proper response is expected.
- 2) If no response or correction has been made, you will receive written notice two weeks after the initial notice is made. Failure to make corrective action in two weeks following the written notice will result in the forfeiting your use of the Community Garden.
- 3) Reapplication to use the Community Garden may be allowed in 12 months at the discretion of the Garden Coordinator.

Rules, Terms, and Conditions for Participation in the Community Garden

Signature at the end of this Agreement indicates acceptance by the gardener of these rules:

- 1) I use this garden at the sole discretion of the Town of Indian Shores and I agree to abide by the purpose, operations policy, rules, terms, and conditions for use of the Community Garden.
- 2) There is no fee for use of the garden other than the agreed use of at least one Earth Box.
- 3) The location of one or more Earth Boxes shall be based on a “First come first serve” basis and I agree to utilize the final space(s) assigned and not use other space(s).
- 4) I agree to follow the appropriate seasonal planting schedule as assigned by the “Garden Coordinator”.
- 5) I agree to follow acceptable practice for the proper planting of the Earth Box and keep the plants free of weeds, pests, and diseases. Plant growth will be properly staked and I will prevent excessive overgrowth into adjacent neighbor and walking spaces. I will not perform pest and disease control on plants being grown by neighbor Earth Boxes.
- 6) I will keep my growing area clean and neat and will deposit my trash into trash containers as provided by the Town. Anything brought from my home, including tools, I will take back home. I will not bring household trash and leave it at the Community Garden trash container(s).

- 7) I will not plant any illegal plant in my Earth Box or otherwise in the garden. I will not smoke, drink alcoholic beverages, use illegal drugs or perform any other activity in the garden that is in violation of Town Ordinance or State Law. I will not come to the garden while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. I will not bring pets or other animals to the garden.
- 8) I will not make duplicate keys of any locks at the garden or give my key or lock combination to another person. I will keep the gate to the garden closed at all times.
- 9) I will not take food, plants, plant cuttings, or anything from other gardener's Earth Boxes or other material from the Community Garden that is not rightfully mine.
- 10) I will respect other gardeners and I will not use abusive or profane language or discriminate against others. I will accommodate gardeners in wheelchairs to the best of my ability.
- 11) I will work to keep the garden a happy, secure, beautiful, and enjoyable place, where all participants can garden and socialize peacefully in a neighborly manner.
- 12) I understand the neither the Garden Coordinator or the Town are responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless the Garden Coordinator and the Town for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with the use of the Community Garden by me or any of my guests.

Commitment

I have read and understand the Application and accept the Purpose, Operations Policy, Rules, Terms, and Conditions stated above for the participation in the Indian Shores Community Garden. I will notify the Garden Coordinator of any change of phone or address.

Printed Name: _____

Indian Shores address: _____

Home Phone: _____, *Cell Phone:* _____

E-mail: _____

I am disabled and require wheelchair access: Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____ *Date:* _____