

Green Rows of Waltham

Gardeners agree to abide by these rules:

- **This is an *all-organic* garden.** Only organic pesticides & fertilizers may be used. No herbicides, animal pest poisons, or pressure-treated wood may be used. No genetically altered seed.
- Gardeners ***must maintain their plots regularly*** and ***must weed the aisles*** adjoining their plots. Everyone ***must*** participate in some share of the organized work (i.e.: composting, construction, shed clean-up, hose care, etc.)
- Gardeners ***must weed their plots*** and **ready them for planting by June 1st**. At the end of the season, plots are to be **cleaned up by Nov. 30th**. If you have a problem adhering to these dates and/or need assistance during the season, you ***must*** contact a steering committee member or a section coordinator so that solutions can be worked out & gardens are not left unattended.
- **You must park in the parking lot** near the brick building. People with disabilities may park at the garden by requesting a **permit** from the steering committee. Otherwise, *vehicles are only allowed to park momentarily at the garden for loading and unloading, and then they must be moved to the parking lot* (this is a UMass requirement).
- ***Avoid wasteful use of water.*** Do not flood your plot, and don't water other gardens unless you are asked. When you finish watering, turn off the water at your hose spigot, and then **open the nozzle to drain water left in the hose**. Turn off the water **behind the shed** when you're the last one leaving in the afternoon/evening.
- Be sure to ***lock the shed*** when you are the last to leave the garden.
- Please ***heed the section coordinators***. They have volunteered to help us enforce the rules and maintain the cooperative & organic standards we agree to in leasing a GROW plot.
- Gardeners are responsible for their guests. Children under 14 must be with an adult. Pets must be leashed in accordance with Waltham ordinances.
- If someone besides you is helping maintain your plot on a regular basis, you must provide a coordinator with his/her contact info. For the safety of all gardeners and to keep pilferage to a minimum, please get to know your neighbors and keep a watchful eye out for strangers wandering through the garden. Do not enter other gardeners' plots. Please report irregularities to the section coordinators/steering committee.
- Only add non-animal organic matter (plants, fruits, vegetables, clippings & weeds) to the compost. Avoid adding corn stalks and other slow-composting items. ***You must take all other trash away.***
- Border plantings outside of garden plots must be less than 1-foot wide, cannot obstruct pathways & must be limited to small flowers & bulbs: NO shrubs, sunflowers, rosebushes, etc. No plantings are allowed in the aisles narrower than 5 ft wide. Trees may not be grown in or around the garden plots.
- Berry plots are for BERRY PLANTS and companions only - not for vegetable gardening.
- Small banners and flags may be displayed, but may not extend more than 4 feet above the ground.
- Gardeners must leave the garden area when the field nearby is being mowed.
- Our email list is for polite discussion of issues of interest to all gardeners. Please do not use this list to publicly complain about other gardeners. If you do have an issue with another gardener, please contact a steering committee member, and we will do what we can to help resolve the issue.

VIOLATIONS OF THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN LOSING YOUR PLOT

GROW community gardens are located on University of Massachusetts Waltham Center land and are subject to the University's regulations. Gardeners participate at their own risk. The University and GROW are not responsible for crop damage or pilferage from your plot.

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Volunteer Coordinators Contact List

The people on this list volunteer their time to manage the GROW Community Gardens for the gardeners.

- The Steering Committee handles policy issues, coordinates with UMass management and the other GROW Volunteers, organizes the workdays, meetings and picnics, and addresses gardeners' comments, conflicts, complaints, and concerns.
- Ailene, our Financial Coordinator, handles the bank account and insurance.
- Scott, the Membership Coordinator, handles registration & waiting lists.
- Section Coordinators Claire, Dan and Steve monitor the progress and productivity of the gardens, as well as adherence to the rules, and generally oversee the situation "on the ground."
- The Water Masters keep our irrigation system working – contact Ken, Kevin or Randy to report leaks.
- The Mowing Team tames the wild growth in the aisles and along the perimeter of the garden (hopefully with the help of many gardeners) and is coordinated by Steve.
- The Compost Team tends our compost pile between workdays and is coordinated by Pam.

Gardeners can communicate with the steering committee through the contact information below, or by speaking with their section coordinators at the gardens. The steering committee perpetuates itself by seeking new members from among the gardeners whenever there is a vacancy on the committee or among the other on-site coordinator positions. Please let us know if you'd be interested in serving in any of these capacities in the future. No extra benefits or remuneration are given to the volunteer coordinators.

Steering Committee

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Compost Coordinators

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