

THE CITY OF KYLE COMMUNITY GARDEN AT POST OAK

GARDEN RULES



GENERAL RULES:

1. Hours of Operation are Sunrise to Sundown
2. Smoking, vaping, alcohol, or other illegal drugs are not allowed.
3. Amplified music is prohibited, except by permit.
4. Well-mannered leashed dogs are allowed within your garden space. Please clean up after your dog.
5. All children under the age of 12 must be within arm's reach of an adult at all times.
6. Registered gardeners are allowed 4 guests at a time.
7. All gardeners are expected to respect one another. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
8. No campfires, burn barrels, or open flames are permitted.
9. Pick up your own trash. Pack out all debris.

GARDENER PLANT & PLOT RULES:

1. All gardeners are required to attend a mandatory garden orientation. Only one plot per household is allowed.
2. The Community Garden at Post Oak is an organic garden. Only organic fertilizers and controls are allowed. A complete list of approved and prohibited substances is provided to all gardeners (Attachment A).
3. Plots must be planted within 21 days of assignment. Regular harvesting and maintenance is required including proper soil covering or resting.
4. Stealing from plots, tools, or other items that are not your personal property are prohibited. Unauthorized locks on fences are prohibited.
5. Gardeners are not allowed to make structural changes to the common areas. Individual plot structures may not be any more than three feet from the top of the plot box. All garden signage must comply with City of Kyle sign regulations and must not be discriminatory or political.
6. Trees, palms and invasive plants are not allowed. A list of invasive species can be found at [Invasive Plants - Native Plant Society of Texas \(npsot.org\)](https://www.npsot.org/).
7. Gardeners must notify the city within fourteen days of any changes in their contact information.
8. Utilization of paid labor by the gardeners or personal commerce is not allowed.
9. Compost bins are for community garden generated plant waste only. Weeds must be disposed of in designated bins.
10. One hour of community service within the community garden, is required of all gardeners each month.
11. Privately owned or operated surveillance cameras are prohibited.
12. All gardeners must contribute to keeping the garden tool shed clean at all times.
13. Unattended watering is not permitted. Watering must comply with City of Kyle watering restrictions.
14. To request reasonable accommodations for plot rentals, contact communitygarden@cityofkyle.com
15. Violations of garden rules may result in forfeiture of garden plot rental fees, including paid rental fees.

To report violations or request reasonable accommodations for plot rentals, contact:

communitygarden@cityofkyle.com

ATTACHMENT A

Organic Information:

- a. USDA Organic label: Many products in the gardening world may have the words "Natural" or "Organic" in their name. Without one (or both) of the above symbols on the package.
- b. Some products, though not listed as organic or not approved by the OMRI, may still be used. The approval is based on the products having an insignificant amount of non-organic material because of processing or formulation.
- c. Approved Organic Products Include:
 - i. Medina products
 - ii. Neptune Fish Fertilizer
 - iii. Lady Bug brand products
 - iv. Bonemeal
 - v. Horticultural Molasses
 - vi. Compost Tea
 - vii. Super Thrive
- d. Pest and disease control products (listing is either active ingredient or brand name)
 - i. Neem (Neem should be listed as the ONLY active ingredient.)
 - ii. Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*)
 - iii. Spinosad
 - iv. Diatomaceous Earth (DE) (DE should be listed as the ONLY active ingredient)
 - v. Insecticidal Soap
 - vi. Serenade (*Bacillus subtilis*)
 - vii. Organocide
 - viii. Oil-based (Thyme, Wintergreen, Sesame, Clove) sprays
 - ix. Garlic-based sprays
 - x. epper (capsaicin) sprays
 - xi. Bonide Garden Dust
- e. The following products are NOT allowed at any time within the Community Garden:
 - i. Dillo Dirt
 - ii. Ilorganite
 - iii. City of Austin free compost
- f. This list is not complete and will be reviewed and updated as necessary. This list is considered the only approved and official list of authorized products for use in the garden. If you wish to use a product that is not listed as approved, you must contact the Garden Manager prior to use. The goal of the City of Kyle is to create a safe environment for the garden, gardeners and the community, not to limit the materials used.
- g. The City of Kyle maintains a fund to cover the purchase of organic products for plot use.
- h. The City of Kyle covers nematodes once a year for the Community Garden.
- i. The City of Kyle will provide a shelving unit within the tool shed for storage of organic items and a list of their uses.

Gardener Signature acknowledges that you have read and understand the rules.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

