



Salem Community Gardens

2018 Registration Form

For new gardeners

Return by May 1st, 2018 to reserve your plot
 Visit our website for information or to contact us.
WWW.salemcommunitygardens.org

1. Provide your contact information

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Salem, MA 01970

Phone Number(s) _____

Email Address(es)* _____

*REQUIRED: Email is our ONLY method of timely contact during the season. If you do not have your own, please provide us with an Email address that you have regular access to.

2. Indicate your garden preference. NOTE: One garden per household please. Refer to the description of each location on our website.

MACK PARK	40.00 per plot, maximum 1	rank	_____	total	_____
PALMER COVE	40.00 per plot, maximum 1	rank	_____	total	_____
PICKMAN PARK	20.00 per plot, maximum 4	rank	_____	total	_____
SPLAINE PARK	20.00 per plot, maximum 4	rank	_____	total	_____

Please rank each garden choice in order of preference (1st choice, 2nd choice, etc). Your payment should be based on choice #1. Each applicant is required to **complete 2 hours of volunteer time** during the season **OR** can chose to opt-out by paying **40.00** plus the annual plot fee. Opt out fee is due at registration (See line below)

3. Include a check with this form AND the signed Code of Conduct form attached. Please make checks payable to *Salem Community Gardens*

IMPORTANT: Applications are processed in the order that payment is received

Total plot fees: Number of plots _____ X _____ Cost per plot (1 st Choice garden)	=	
Volunteer opt-out fee, if you do not wish to complete the required two hours (\$40.00)	+	
Donation in support of SCG for garden projects and maintenance (Optional)	+	
TOTAL	=	

4. MAIL TO : The Registrar
 Salem Community Gardens
 P.O. BOX 82
 Salem, MA 01970

SCG Gardeners Code of Conduct 2018

- *In order to make gardening pleasant for all...* Gardeners will keep a clean and well-maintained garden area. All organic waste material must be REMOVED from the garden daily, and other debris placed in designated areas.
- *In order to encourage friendship and community...* Gardeners will respect their fellow members and be helpful and courteous at all times.
- *In order to be a good gardening neighbor...* Gardeners will minimize the shading of neighboring plots and will not allow plants to grow into walkways or other plots. Any crowding or shading plants may be trimmed without warning.
- *In order to keep theft in check...* Gardeners will not tend to, or harvest in another gardener's plot (even those looking abandoned) unless given permission. Gardeners caught stealing produce will be expelled.
- *In order to keep our gardens well-maintained...* Gardeners will complete two hours of volunteer time per season, or pre-pay a \$40 fee to opt out.
- *In order to properly credit volunteer time...* Hours must be recorded in the supplied logs in a timely manner.
- *In order to protect our environment and our food...* Gardeners will follow organic gardening practices. Gardeners will not use chemical fertilizers, pesticides, or weed repellents.
- *In order to make sure it all runs smoothly...* Gardeners will plant and maintain their garden. If a garden has not been weeded by June 1st and planted by June 15th, or it appears to be abandoned at any time during the growing season, the gardener will be contacted and given one week to tend his/her garden. If the gardener does not, his or her garden will be reassigned or tilled in. If something comes up and you are unable to tend to your plot, please contact your garden captains as soon as possible.
- *In order to keep a good thing going...* Gardeners are welcome to use season extending techniques, but will otherwise clean out dead plant material in their plot by November 1st.

It is important to note that gardening with SCG requires regular consistent adherence to the above rules. We are a volunteer-run organization and the cooperation of our community is vital to the success of our organization. Also, inattention to the above issues affects all of your fellow members and their gardening experience. As we don't have time to chase folks down, warnings will only be issued once. Sadly, inability to comply may result in expulsion.

I understand that neither the City of Salem nor Salem Community Gardens, Inc. will be responsible for protecting or policing garden plots against vandalism or stealing of plants, fruits, or vegetables. I also understand that neither Salem Community Gardens, Inc. nor the City of Salem will be responsible for my actions. I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS SALEM COMMUNITY GARDENS, INC. AND THE CITY OF SALEM FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, SOIL CONDITION, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS. I have read and understand this code of conduct and will conduct myself accordingly, or I will surrender my privilege to garden at Salem Community Gardens.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

