



Community Garden  
Northern Hills Master Gardeners  
2020 Garden Plot Application

Please fill out application completely.

To schedule an appointment with the Northern Hills Master Gardeners contact:

Jack French

(605) 920-9023 (call or text), jackdf2000@yahoo.com

At this time, you will choose your plot, pay your application fee and receive a brief orientation.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Required Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ ALT. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Required Email: \_\_\_\_\_

New Gardener \_\_\_ Returning Gardener \_\_\_ Number of Plots Requested (\$20/Plot) \_\_\_\_\_ Plot Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this application, I agree that I have reviewed the 2020 Community Garden Agreement and will abide by it. I assume all responsibility for my activity at the gardens and agree to hold harmless the Northern Hills Master Gardeners and the City of Spearfish for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with my use of the garden.

A seasonal fee of \$20 per plot is required with this application by April 30 to reserve a garden plot for the upcoming season.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## 2020 Community Garden Agreement

For your safety, the following coronavirus restrictions are imposed until further notice:

- Stay at home when ill or if exposed to someone who is ill.
  - A social distance of a minimum of 6 feet must be maintained
  - A mask must be worn if others are working at the garden site.
  - Bring and use hand sanitizer.
  - Clean your hands and any shared tools (hoses, water spigots, wheel borrow handles, etc.) before and after using them.
  - The above apply to guests and children also.
  - **BE SAFE AND BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHERS**
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1. Plant and maintain garden for ENTIRE growing season (May 31 to Oct. 31). All plots and surrounding areas must be kept free of weeds, trash, and litter.
  2. The garden area is open dawn until dusk, seven days a week.
  3. Individuals must be present while watering their plot. Hoses and equipment must be properly stored when finished.
  4. We request that all members volunteer their time for general maintenance (especially adjacent walkways. It is your responsibility to keep the ½ of the path adjacent to your garden free of weeds) to keep the garden site looking good. The use of the site is contingent on your ability to maintain it.
  5. Please dispose of weeds and plant materials in designated waste containers.
  6. Please keep rocks out of pathways and borders. They make mowing impossible.
  7. Always keep garden gates closed
  8. Be considerate of your neighbors. Do not plant sprawling crops or tall ones that might interfere with others. Keep insects and weeds under control. Your neighbor has the right to prune any plant that encroaches on their plot. Harvest only from your garden plot.
  9. No chemically treated grass clippings are allowed on the gardens.



10. Only organic fertilizers and other amendments not containing herbicides and pesticides are allowed. For the consideration of the other gardeners, please do not spray on a breezy day.
11. Pets are not allowed inside the garden enclosure.
12. Family members are welcome to the garden site. Please supervise young children so they don't disturb other gardeners or their plots.
13. Notify NHMG Board members if you are no longer able to tend your plot, if you will be absent for a long period of time, or if you have asked a friend to tend your garden for more than 1 week.
14. To assist with the conservation of water, mulch with leaves, untreated grass clippings or straw (no hay, contains weed seeds) to reduce water evaporation.
15. Each gardener must clear their plot of fencing, trellises, string and all inorganic materials before fall end date unless approved by NHMG. This will coincide with the date that the City turns the water off. The water shut off will vary depending upon the weather and temperatures. This will be determined by the City of Spearfish.
16. Your compliance with the above regulations will help everyone have an enjoyable and prosperous garden. Failure to comply with above regulations during the season may result in a loss of future gardening privileges.
17. Abandoned gardens that have been left unattended and appear to be failing due to neglect shall be considered for reassignment. Reassignment and forfeiture will be managed by members of the NHMG Board after notifying the plot renter of the intended action. The plot renter has 14 days after notification to appeal the decision to the NHMG Board.
18. If you have any questions or problems concerning your garden or your plants and vegetables, the following Northern Hills Master Gardeners are available to assist you:
  - Sharon Henry    605-644-9773    shenry95@hotmail.com
  - Barb Kuhlman    605-645-4627    bfkuhl@gmail.com
  - Sue White        605-645-4093    [sww@spe.midco.net](mailto:sww@spe.midco.net)

You may also submit garden questions to the Garden Hotline listed below. Submit questions via email along with your phone number and a representative will respond to you.

**SDSU Extension Rapid City Regional Center** [sdsu.gardenswest@sdsu.edu](mailto:sdsu.gardenswest@sdsu.edu)

There is also a nationwide Cooperative Extension site to get answers:

<https://extension.sdsu.edu/garden-yard/problems-solutions>