



## Hatch Run Conservation Demonstration Area Garden Plots Terms and Conditions

1. The plots will be approximately 25' x 25' in size. A \$25.00 fee will be collected for the use of each plot.
2. The Warren County Conservation District (WCCD) will be responsible for plowing the plots.
3. The plots will be turned over to gardeners as soon as marking flags are in place, which will be no later than Memorial Day weekend.
4. As the vegetables grow, weeds must be kept under control. If the garden becomes weedy, the gardener will be contacted by either letter or phone call, and if nothing is done with the weeds in two weeks, the garden will be mowed over. Everybody will be subject to this rule and it will be enforced. There will be a designated location for the weeds and plant material.
5. If there is an excessive amount of stones in the plot, there will also be a designated stone pile near the gardens for the placement of these stones.
6. Do not place piles of compost, grass clippings, etc. in the walkways. If necessary, keep a portion of your garden plot open so you can place the piles in your own plot or use the designated compost/plant material area.
7. The marking flag with your name on it should remain in a corner of your plot.
8. **At the end of the season, you must remove any posts, strings, plastic, cans, etc. that you brought to the garden plot. You must clean up your plot so that it is ready for the next season by November 15<sup>th</sup>. If anything is left behind, it will become the property of the District and you will not be welcome back in the future. Thoroughly check your plot at the end of the season to be sure you left nothing behind.**
9. Only biodegradable methods of weed suppression will be allowed such as newspaper or straw around the plants. **No landscape fabric or plastic will be allowed.**
10. Do not throw anything over the fence into the intensive grazing area for the animals. There are a number of plants that are toxic to animals and could cause severe illness or even death. You could be held responsible for veterinary expenses or the replacement cost of animals that become ill or die.
11. **Water is not available at the gardens.** If a source becomes available everyone will be notified promptly.
12. WCCD is not responsible for theft, loss, or damage to your garden plot.
13. WCCD reserves the right not to renew agreements to participants who violate the terms of this agreement or any other WCCD policy or Hatch Run Conservation Demonstration Area use policy.

By signing below, I agree to the terms of this agreement.

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Approved by WCCD:

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