



2018 EAST SNYDER COMMUNITY GARDEN RULES

Please remember that the East Snyder Community Garden is not just a place for garden members to grow their own produce, but it is also a community that is dedicated to making a positive difference. Gardeners are encouraged to donate their excess produce throughout the growing season to our food donation programs. In addition, gardeners agree to volunteer time toward community gardening efforts by helping during the work parties or helping to maintain the community areas of the garden. Work parties will be scheduled throughout the gardening season.

1. Do not neglect your plot or the areas around your plot, and keep your plot and the pathway weeded/mowed/mulched.
 - a. No herbicides permitted.
 - b. Biodegradable ground cover is preferred. Black plastic is not allowed.
 - c. Using cardboard and mulch on the path around your plot is encouraged.
2. Pest management: The garden is encouraging pollinating insects, and thus certain insecticides and fungicides are not allowed in the garden. On page 2 you will find a list of permitted and not permitted insecticides and fungicides. Remember, no herbicides are permitted.
3. If for any reason you will be unable to maintain your plot (health, vacation, work pressure, moving, etc.), inform the garden manager.
4. Perennial woody plants such as raspberries or trees are not to be planted in garden plots. However, perennial non-woody plants such as rhubarb, strawberries and asparagus are allowed. Only plant these if you intend on renting the same plot in subsequent seasons.
5. To reduce water evaporation and unwanted weeds, gardeners are encouraged to mulch with the leaves, grass clippings, and bark mulch provided at the garden, or other organic materials.
6. Help prevent mowing hazards. Do not dump rocks in the pathways or into any grassy areas. Do not use short metal stakes.
7. Gardeners need to conserve water. The garden has to pay for water usage; it is not free. Please be diligent in shutting the water off after use. No overnight or unattended watering is permitted. Gardeners should report all leaks to the garden manager. Water conservation suggestions are in the shed and on our website.
8. Each gardener is responsible for his/her own trash removal.
9. Gardeners will not enter, plant, weed, water or harvest from any other member's plot unless specifically invited by the gardener who rents the plot. Please be careful to keep hoses on the path and not in other gardener's plots.
10. Garden Shed: a) The garden shed is a community space. There is not much room. b) Be aware that any personal tools stored in the shed are available for other gardeners to use. If you do not wish your tools used by others, do not store them in the shed. c) Clean all tools after use and return them to the shed. d) The shed door must be locked. Please check the door before you leave the garden.
11. Any and all ESCG power equipment may only be operated by those over 16 years of age.
12. Children are welcome at the garden when accompanied and supervised by an adult.
13. Growing or using illegal substances in the garden will lead to immediate expulsion with no return of plot fee. No alcoholic beverages permitted at the garden.

If you fail to follow any of the above guidelines, the garden manager will contact you and give you a reasonable amount of time to correct the problem. If you do not respond, the garden board will take other actions.

Contact Roy Swazey, Garden Manager, to report garden problems: 570-374-5369 swazeyr_millera@verizon.net

Gardening information can be found at: escgpa.org

Remember: excess produce can be used by local food banks.

This is not a complete list. Please apply according to the label instructions and choose products that are the least toxic to the environment. **Herbicides (plant killing products) are not allowed in the ESCG.**

Insecticide-product that kills/controls insects

Fungicide-product that controls fungi

Pesticide-general name for a product that controls insects or fungi

OMRI – Organic Materials Review Instrument - <https://www.omri.org/> many insecticides, fungicides, and fertilizers approved by OMRI and/or marked with an “OMRI Listed” logo are approved for use in the ESCG. **ROTENONE IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE ESCG.**

Pesticide info: <http://pmep.cce.cornell.edu/profiles/extoxnet/index.html> excellent research-based website prepared by Cornell Cooperative Extension Agency discussing fungicides and insecticides.

Product	Insecticide Fungicide	OMRI certified?	Allowed?	Why?	Cost
Captan	Fungicide	No	Yes	Low toxicity	\$15/8 oz
Chlorothalonil (chlor-o-THAL-o-nil) Ex: Daconil	Fungicide	No	yes	Low toxicity	\$11/16 oz
Copper Sulfate Ex: Copper Fungicide	Fungicide	Some are	Yes	Can be toxic, use with caution	\$15/16 oz
Streptomyces lydicus (active ingredient) Ex: Actinovate	Fungicide	Yes	yes		\$26/2 oz
Azadirachtin (aza-DEER-ach-tin) Ex: Azamax	Insecticide	Yes	Yes	active ingredient in Neem oil	\$50- 70/16 oz
BT (Bacillus thuringiensis)	Insecticide	Yes	Yes		\$29/lb
Diatomaceous earth	Insecticide	Yes	Yes		
Horticultural Oil	Insecticide	Yes	Yes		
Neem Oil	Insecticide	yes	yes		\$17/16 oz
Pyrethrin/pyrethrum/ pyrethroid Ex: Eight	Insecticide	Some are natural and some are synthetic	Yes	Toxic and breaks down rapidly in the environment	\$10/16 oz
Spinosad (SPINE-o-sad) Ex: Monterey Garden Insect Spray	Insecticide	Yes	Yes		\$21/16 oz
Carbaryl/carbamate Ex: Sevin	Insecticide	No	No	Very toxic	
Imidacloprid (EMMA-da-cla-prid)	Insecticide	No	No	Moderately toxic neonicotinoid	
Malathion	Insecticide	No	No	organophosphate	
Rotenone	Insecticide	Yes	No	Very toxic	

Fertilizers applied according to label instructions or soil test results can be used in the ESCG.

In general, organic materials can be used as fertilizers. If in doubt, please check with a board member.

Return this portion to the East Snyder Community Garden along with your registration form.

2018 GARDENER'S SIGNATURE and LIABILITY WAIVER (first person in plot/print more copies if needed)

To be signed by all named on registration form.

I understand that I am responsible for my actions, and those of my guests, while working at the garden.

I understand that the East Snyder Community Garden (ESCG), the ESCG Board and the Department of Agriculture are not responsible for my actions or those of my guests.

I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE EAST SNYDER COMMUNITY GARDEN, ESCG BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.

I have read and agree to abide by the above garden rules and policies. I understand that failure to abide by these rules may result in forfeiture of my gardening privileges.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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