

**Cove Community Garden  
Beverly Cove Improvement Association  
2017 Gardener Application**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that I must comply with the following guidelines in order to participate in the Cove Community Garden:

**1. I am responsible for my assigned plot and will:**

- a. Maintain a neat garden, keeping the garden area and surrounding paths free from garden vegetation. I understand if my plot becomes unkempt the garden coordinator will notify me. Once notified I will have seven days to resolve the matter. After seven days, it is at the discretion of the garden coordinator to revoke my garden membership and I will then forfeit my plot.
- b. Respect the garden area (all plots and surrounding area) by cleaning up after myself.
- c. Harvest all produce when it had reached maturity and remove all plants when they have ceased to bear.
- d. Maintain garden consistently throughout growing season and arrange that care shall be taken should extended absences arise, such as vacations. I will notify the garden coordinator of these absences.
- e. Notify the garden coordinators if a friend (who is not part of the garden group) will be taking care of and/or harvesting from my plot.
- f. Correctly use Cove Community Garden composting bins.
- g. Refrain from planting invasive plants.
- h. Comply fully with all federal and state laws and regulations regarding the use of pesticides and other chemicals.

**2. I will respect all other gardener areas by:**

- a. Not trespassing upon other garden plots.
- b. Picking only my own crops unless given permission by the plot user.
- c. Planting crops where they will not shade neighboring plots.
- d. Not using fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellents that will in any way affect other plots.
- e. Removing weeds in my own plot well before they go to seed and disperse to other plots.

**3. I will participate in the vandal watch, report incidents of vandalism to the garden coordinator, and get to know fellow gardeners.**

**4. I will respect the neighboring residents by limiting my gardening hours to:**

a. 7:00am – 8:00pm during the week

b. 9:00am – 8:00pm on the weekends

**5. I will make concerted efforts to conserve water by turning off the faucet after watering my plot.**

**6. Plot fees are due by April 20, 2017. Checks should be made out to Beverly Cove Improvement Association and mailed to:**

BCIA  
19 East Corning Street  
Beverly, MA 01915

*(or just drop it in the Cove building mail slot)*

The fee for the season is \$50

**7. I understand that:**

a. The official start of the season will be May 27 with a rain date of May 28.

b. I must be a current member or associate member of the Beverly Cove Improvement Association.

I understand that neither the Cove Community Garden group nor Beverly Cove Improvement Association are responsible for my actions. I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE COVE COMMUNITY GARDEN GROUP AND BEVERLY COVE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.

Signature:

Date:

Address:

Email:

Home phone:

Cell phone: