

2012 Pine Street Community Gardens Membership Form



Please send this signed and completed form with your payment of \$25 to:
Pine Street Community Gardens
304 – 828 W 14th Ave
Vancouver BC
V5Z 1R1

Dues can also be paid at the AGM, on Sunday February 26.

Cheques can be made out to Pine Street Community Gardens.

Deadline: March 15, 2012

section	garden or orchard side (please circle one)
plot number	

Main Contact:

member name	
phone number	
email address	
mailing address	

Additional Contact:

member name	
phone number	
email address	
mailing address	

* We will not give out any of your private information and promise to only use your email address for important garden related information. Most information will be distributed by email. Telephone calls will only be made if contact by email fails or if something urgent arises.

Special Interests/Skills (circle at least one): being a section rep, composting, perennial garden, development/maintenance of website, development/maintenance of signage, tools, carpentry, organizing social events, landscape architecture, other please (specify) _____

Membership Guidelines

I understand that being a member of the Pine Street Community Gardens means that I have agreed to the following guidelines:

Garden Membership

1. I will **pay a non-refundable annual membership fee of \$25**, due March 15 of each year. I understand that if I do not pay my membership fee by this date I am giving up my plot and my plot may be reassigned. I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that my membership form and fees are received by March 15 of each year regardless of how/if/when I am reminded by the Community Garden Board or my Section Rep.

2. I will **be the primary gardener of my plot throughout the garden season**. If I will be away for part of the growing season or summer, or if I am unable to garden for any other reason I will inform my Section Rep **and** find someone to tend to my plot while I am away.
3. I will **advise the Membership Coordinator if I cannot keep one or more of the commitments in these guidelines**, or if I choose to terminate my garden membership. (Note: Membership fees are non-refundable except in case of illness.)
4. I will **advise the Membership Coordinator of any change of address, email address or phone numbers** so that I can be contacted regarding garden clean-up parties or other garden business. I understand that if I do not advise the Membership Coordinator of any changes and cannot be contacted, I will lose my garden privileges and my plot will be reassigned.

Maintaining your Plot and the Garden

5. I will **use only organic gardening practices** in my plot. This means I will not use any chemical fertilizers or pesticides in the garden.
6. I will **have dug over and cleaned my garden by May 1st** at the latest and **started planting by May 24th**.
7. I will **keep the garden planted and weeded throughout the garden season**. Garden cuttings and trimmings will not be placed on paths or in common areas but will be recycled in a timely fashion.
8. I will **plant/maintain and weed the areas immediately surrounding my plot**. This includes the areas north to the pathway and south to the curb. This also includes keeping the grass trimmed to the east and west of my plot.
9. I will **maintain the structure of my plot**, repairing or replacing the wood as necessary. I will not use treated or other potentially toxic materials in or around my garden plot. Any trellis supports or greenhouses in excess of 5 feet must be approved by plot neighbours.
10. I will **"winterize" my garden by November 1st** of each year.

Being a Part of the Community

11. If I choose to use the communal compost bin I will **not add weeds, diseased plants, rocks, or any non-organic materials (e.g. plastic) in the compost**.
12. I will **clean and return tools to the tool box after use**.
13. I will **participate in the spring and fall all-member garden clean-up parties, as well as one garden cleanup party hosted by my section**. If I cannot participate in one or more of these parties I will contact my section rep *before* the party and will arrange to attend an alternate work party or will arrange equivalent make-up work on the common areas of the garden. I understand that it is my responsibility to either attend these clean-up parties, or to arrange make-up work, regardless of how/if/when I am reminded by my Section Rep.



I understand that if I do not adhere to the above guidelines and rules my plot may be reassigned during the garden season or my membership may not be renewed at the end of the season. I understand that my Section Rep or the Membership Coordinator will contact me by telephone before withdrawing garden privileges due to non-compliance of guidelines.

I have read and I understand the above document.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Questions? Comments? Contact us at pinestreetcommunitygardens@gmail.com.