



Newburgh Armory Unity Center Community Garden Application

Please fill out in ink and print clearly. We must have a daytime phone number or email address to contact you. Garden beds are limited to one per household. **Garden renters are required to volunteer at least 4 hours of community service work** in the communal parts of the garden during the growing season.

NAME: _____

Do you request any special needs? YES NO

Briefly describe:

ADDRESS: _____

Garden bed: Please choose one

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

- I am a new gardener and would like some gardening mentorship.
- I am interested in volunteering for garden related projects.
- I am interested in serving on the garden board.

Please briefly describe why you want a garden bed:

Type	Price	Please Check
Wood 4'x20'	\$45.00	_____
Wood 4'x10'	\$25.00	_____
Cinder Block Beds	\$45.00	_____
Extra Large	\$65.00	_____
Flat Earth 20'x10'	\$45.00	_____
Flat Earth 20'x20'	\$75.00	_____
Additional Contribution:	\$ _____	
Total amount enclosed:	\$ _____	

Fees cover bed rental, use of tools, facilities and water. We cannot assign beds without payment and signature. Make checks payable to: **Newburgh Armory Unity Center 321 S. William St. Newburgh, New York 12550**

Please read and sign: In consideration for Newburgh Armory Unity Center for giving me permission to cultivate a garden bed on lands owned by the Newburgh Armory Unity Center, Inc, I hereby acknowledge that I enter upon the property and cultivate the garden at my own risk and expense and waive all claims for damage or loss to my person or property which may be caused by an act, or failure to act, by the Newburgh Armory Unity Center, or any officers, agents, employees or members of the Board of the Newburgh Armory Unity Center. I assume the risk of any theft, destruction or damage to my garden bed, or the produce grown thereon, or by the lack of adequate water supply. I assume the risk of any dangerous condition in or about the property where my garden plot is located and waive any and all specific notice of the existence of such conditions. This waiver shall apply to any persons, including members of my family, who assist me in the cultivation of my garden plot, or visitors to my plot. Any plants, flowers, garden material, or personal belongings left in the garden after the end of the growing season (FALL 2022) will be forfeited.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Community Garden Rules, 2023

Please read these rules carefully. They have been reviewed and revised by the Newburgh Armory Unity Center Garden Board to serve the interests of the community. Your compliance will help ensure the best gardening season for all of us. If you need help or advice, please feel free to contact NAUC by emailing Garden Coordinator Lrittweger@newburgharmory.org or 845-978-8845.

1. The gardens are open seven days a week **from sunup-sunset**.
2. The Garden **may be closed** when the NAUC has outdoor events (Please speak to the Garden Coordinator to find out exact dates)
3. If any NAUC staff asks you to leave the garden for any reason, please leave as quickly as possible.
4. Respect the privacy of other people's beds.
5. **You are responsible for keeping your bed and adjacent pathways clean and weed free.**
6. Failure to adequately maintain your plot, abandoned and/or unkempt beds will be reassigned. Please notify the Garden Board if you will be unable to tend your bed for more than two weeks. The board will consider unkempt beds abandoned after sending one notice. If no response is received, gardening privileges will be revoked. **This policy will be strictly enforced.**
7. No non-gardening related activity. This is a spot for gardeners and their guests. Non-gardening activities, such as alcohol use, cooking, camping or other activities of this nature are prohibited.
8. Radios or any music players may only be used with headsets.
9. **NO SMOKING** in the garden.
10. **All children must be supervised by an adult. Please do not allow children to go into the greenhouse, the coolbot or the shed.**
11. Dogs are allowed with the permission of the Garden Director.
12. This is an organic gardening community. We recommend the use of leaves, straw, wood chips or other organic mulches for the control of weeds. All non-organic pesticides, herbicides and repellents are **absolutely** prohibited.
13. Clean and return tools to the shed before you leave the garden, even if only for a short time. Lock the shed each time you take out or return tools to deter theft. **Do not put tools away without cleaning them.**
14. No growing of illegal or invasive plants.
15. No planting of perennials (plants which survive the winter and return in the spring).
16. If you are the last person to leave the garden, secure and lock the gate.
17. Please place all compostable materials in the compost bins: weeds, old veggies, trimmings and organic matter. **NO MEAT OR FAT.**
18. **Garbage:** What you take in is what you take out. Please do not leave any garbage or materials anywhere in the garden, including the compost pile: it is not for garbage.
19. Use the water system provided conscientiously. Do not leave water on unattended. Sprinklers **ARE NOT** allowed.
20. **DO NOT HARVEST WHAT YOU HAVE NOT PLANTED please note the garden director will harvest if produce is at risk of spoilage and donated.**
21. Beds must be cleaned (plants and weeds removed, stakes and cages removed) up at the end of the growing season (around mid-November)
22. Volunteer during at least one work day.

Failure to comply with garden rules can result in forfeiture of gardening privileges.

I have read all the garden rules and will adhere to them.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Invasive Plant List

Invasive plants are those plants, which having been introduced will tend to overrun an area. In a garden, they will persist as troublesome weeds requiring continual removal. Here is a list of some species to avoid planting or introducing in any way.

Queen Anne's Lace – *Daucus carota*
Sweet Fennel – *Foeniculum vulgare*
Wild Parsnip – *Pastinaca sativa*
Periwinkle – *Vinca minor*
English Ivy – *Hedera helix*
European Swallow-warts – *Cynanchum rossicum* and *Cynanchum louiseae*
Hardheads – *Acroption repens*
Mugwort – *Artemisia vulgaris*
Musk Thistle – *Carduus nutans*
Spotted Knapweed – *Centaurea biebersteinii*
Yellow Star Thistle – *Centaurea solstitialis*
Canada Thistle – *Cirsium arvense*
Oxeye Daisy – *Leucanthemum vulgare*
Scotch Thistle – *Onopordum acanthium*
Garlic Mustard – *Alliaria petiolata*
Dame's Rocket – *Hesperis matronalis*
Tumbling Mustard – *Sisymbrium altissimum*
Common Bellflower – *Campanula rapunculoides*
Japanese honeysuckle – *Lonicera japonica*
Asian Bittersweet – *Celastrus orbiculata*
Common St.-John's-wort – *Hypericum perforatum*
Hedge Bindweed – *Calystegia sepium*
Wild Teasel – *Dipsacus fullonum*
Cypress Spurge – *Euphorbia cyparissias*
Leafy Spurge – *Euphorbia esula*
Bastard Indigo – *Amorpha fruticosa*
Crown-vetch – *Coronilla varia*
Yellow Sweet Clover – *Melilotus officinalis*
White Clover – *Trifolium repens*
Chinese Wisteria – *Wisteria sinensis*
Common Bugle – *Ajuga reptans*
Purple Loosestrife – *Lythrum salicaria*
Japanese Knotweed – *Polygonum cuspidatum*
Mile-a-minute Weed – *Polygonum perfoliatum*
Sheep Sorrel – *Rumex acetosella*
Chinese Yam – *Dioscorea oppositifolia*
Redtop – *Agrostis gigantea*
Japanese Stiltgrass – *Microstegium vimineum*
Chinese Silvergrass – *Miscanthus sinensis*
Johnsongrass – *Sorghum halepense*

Other crops you should not plant

Fruit: Blueberries, Strawberries, Raspberries, Blackberries

Fruit Trees: Apples, Pears, Cherries, Plums

Shrubs of any kind, Morning Glory

Perennial Vegetables: Asparagus, Fennel, Jerusalem Artichokes, Rhubarb, Garlic

Perennial Herbs which are hard to remove: Mint, Angelica, Betony, Chicory, Comfrey, Lemon Balm, Lovage

Bed Assignments

- A. Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- B. Beds will be assigned after the deadline for applications has passed according to the following procedure.
 - 1) Applicants who were bed holders the previous year, and are in good standing with the community garden with regards to compliance with all rules, shall be granted the first opportunity to hold a bed.
 - 2) If any applicants had not received a bed in the previous year and thus had been wait listed, they shall be among the first pool of applicants chosen by lottery to fill the remaining beds.
 - 3) All other applicants shall be placed in a lottery to fill remaining beds.
 - 4) Any applicant not receiving a bed shall be placed on a wait list which can be used to fill any beds abandoned during the course of the season. Such a wait list will also be saved for the following year.
 - 5) If, for lack of applicants, beds remain unused, then on or after June 1st of the growing season current bed holders may take on a second bed. If more bed holders desire a second bed than beds are available, then selection will be made by lottery.

The Garden Season shall run April 15-November 30.