

## Huntington Beach Community Garden Gardener Orientation Checklist

Ask your Area Leader or HBCG Leadership if you have any questions

### Garden Entry and Exit

Garden hours are sunrise to sunset; no earlier than 7 a.m. (8 a.m. on Sundays) or later than 7 p.m.

The garden is closed on Observed Federal holidays.

Garden access is for registered gardeners and authorized personnel only.

Children must be supervised at all times.

The last gardener to leave at closing time is responsible for locking the storage container.

### General Information

- ❖ Vehicle access to the garden is not permitted.
- ❖ Bicycles may not be ridden in the garden.
- ❖ Parking near the garden entrance is permitted for disabled parking and for the temporary loading and unloading of materials only.
- ❖ Power tools are permitted only during scheduled work parties. Use of power tools at other times requires minimum 1 week prior notification and approval. Contact Anna Dreifus (HBCG President) at [adreifus@aol.com](mailto:adreifus@aol.com), 714-925-0780
- ❖ No dogs are allowed in the garden – even on a leash.
- ❖ Do not give the gate combination to unregistered gardeners.
- ❖ Community tools and hoses are for all to use and share. Be considerate of others' needs and return after use.
- ❖ Keep surrounding common areas clear of weeds and debris.
- ❖ Place donated harvest in the container for local charities.
- ❖ Immediately remove trash to the dumpster.
- ❖ In case of a plumbing emergency, shut off water to the garden area impacted under the round green cover. The shutoff tool is in the shed. Call HBCG Leadership.

### Emergency Contacts:

Medical or Safety Emergencies -911, HB Police Department -714-536-5333

### HBCG Leadership:

President: Anna Dreifus [adreifus@aol.com](mailto:adreifus@aol.com), 714-925-0780

Area Representatives: Check the website for current Reps

## Plot Construction Guidelines

### Soil Level

The soil within the boundary of the plot must be at a uniform level. Plot interiors may be separated using rubber or plastic landscape borders, but cannot be used to create raised beds within the plot.

### Fencing

Plot fencing must be no higher than 24" (measured from the top of the border boards). Fences shall be made of PVC lattice and supported with wood or PVC stakes no wider than 2 ½ ". No metal is allowed.

### Trellises

Trellises may be no higher than 5' in height (measured from the top of the border board). Trellises must be constructed of 1" x 1" wooden stakes, ½" bamboo stakes, or 1" PVC pipe. NO metal tomato cages are allowed.

### Furniture

No chairs, tables or other furniture shall be in the garden plots. Garden tool storage boxes and combination bench/storage boxes are not considered furniture and are allowed. A chair may be allowed for a handicapped person (with a handicapped placard) who does not have a storage bench.

### Pinwheels and other decorative items

Pinwheels for bird deterrent purposes are allowed but must be no higher than 4' (measured from the top of the border board).

No other items than what is described above will be allowed

No borders made of stone or masonry, no wood chips, straw or hay

no decorative items other than pinwheels used as bird deterrents

Check the Rules and Regulations for plants that are not allowed