



REGULATIONS HARWICH TOWN GARDENS

ESTABLISHED AND AUTHORIZED BY THE
HARWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION



1. There is an annual fee of \$40 for each garden plot. Plots are assigned at the Conservation Department, 2nd Floor, Town Hall, 732 Main Street, Harwich Center. The telephone number is 508-430-7538. If an assigned plot is not used by June 1st of that year, it will be re-assigned. If you do not use your plot by June 1st, there will be no refunds.
2. Gardeners agree to maintain their plot in good, weed-free condition; non-compliance will jeopardize future use of that plot. If a plot appears abandoned (goes to weed) it will be re-assigned. Soil at Harwich Gardens may not be removed for use elsewhere.
3. Walk-ways: If a plot is fenced: reduce the width on the fence side by 18" to allow a 3' walk-way for other gardeners to pass through.
4. Watering: **Gardeners MUST be present while watering. Please water in the morning or evening, not midday.** Watering by sprinkler & soaker-hose is limited to one (1) hour per day, not more than four (4) times per week. Please use water wisely – for garden use only, **not** for car washing. Follow summer watering regulations as required by the HARWICH WATER DEPT. All watering is monitored by the Conservation Department. The water is turned on by May 1st.
5. End of Season Clean-up: **ALL garden plots are to be cleaned up – free of stakes, bird-baths, furniture etc., by December 1st.** Take away all trash, rubbish, or broken garden materials. No debris is to remain on any garden plot or surrounding areas after December 1st. Any remaining items will be discarded.
6. Fencing: **Fencing in good condition can stay up during the off season.** No storage of fencing materials is allowed. Any fencing not in your plot, e.g. damage during off-season storms, will be discarded.
7. No Permanent trees, structures or furniture shall be placed in the Garden.
8. To reserve a plot for next year: Pay for it at the Conservation Department by December 1st. Please note that plots that have not been paid for by December 1st will not be held until the next year. Plots are issued on a first come/first served basis. **If you do not wish to keep your plot, it must be completely cleared by December 1st.**
9. All gardeners must understand that decisions made by the Conservation Department is done so on behalf of the Conservation Commission for the long-term betterment of the Harwich Gardens.
10. New Gardeners can start using their plot on May 1st.

These regulations are established so that Harwich Gardens will continue to be the very special place it always has been. Your continuing understanding & cooperation is very much appreciated.