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## Ivins City Community Garden Registration & Waiver

Name of Participant (please print clearly)			Plot number	
Home phone:	Cell phone:	email:		
Street Address:				

- 1. I will pay a fee of \$80 to help cover garden expenses. \$50 of this is a deposit that will carry over if I intend to renew for the next growing season. If not, it will be refunded to me when I clean my plot of all plant debris and weeds by the end of the calendar year.
- 2. I will renew for the subsequent calendar year by December 31 to retain my garden plot.
- 3. Garden registration is for one calendar year, and the fee covers all growing activities between January and December. Irrigation water runs from approximately mid-March to mid-October.
- 4. Participation is contingent on the availability of a garden plot.
- 5. Eligibility is limited to lvins City residents and/or employees of lvins City. All rules, regulations, and ordinances of the City of lvins shall apply.
- 6. I will plant my plot(s) in a timely manner (no later than 15 May) and will keep garden plots/adjoining areas free of trash and weeds. If a plot or the immediate surroundings become unkempt in the judgment of the Garden Manager(s), I will be given 2 opportunities of 1 week each to clean it up. If the plot remains unkempt at the end of the second week, my registration will be terminated and the next person on the waiting list will be assigned the plot. I will not be refunded the \$50 deposit or the \$30 fee for the current calendar year.
- 7. I shall notify lvins City if I must abandon my plots for any reason.
- 8. I will maintain my plot to keep water within my garden. Lining of garden plots with rocks or other borders is encouraged for this purpose, but cannot interfere with other plots or general wheelbarrow use in the garden. Watering must be supervised or timed (no turning on the tap and leaving). I will notify the Garden Manager(s) if I see leaks or other irrigation issues in the garden.
- 9. I will not plant invasive plants, including but not limited to trumpet vine, any varieties of spurge, or morning glory. Planting of perennials requires approval of the Garden Manager(s).
- 10. I will only plant tall crops where they will not shade adjacent plots.
- 11. I will only harvest produce off my designated garden plot, and will not damage or remove produce from any other areas.
- 12. Ideally, I will use organic gardening methods without using pesticides. Practically, we understand that some pests are resistant to manual means of control. Some pesticides, such as BT for control of caterpillars such as hornworms, will be approved for use provided the Garden Manager is informed prior to application. I will consult with a Garden Manager if I need to use a pesticide. In general, sprays are discouraged due to the possibility that they will travel to adjacent plots.
- 13. THE USE OF HERBICIDES OR ANIMAL POISONS IN OR AROUND ANY GARDEN AREA IS EXPLICITLY FORBIDDEN.
- 14. I will not do anything on my designated garden plots, or surrounding areas, in violation of any law or Ivins City Community Garden Guidelines.
- 15. I will not smoke or bring pets to the garden. Children will be under my supervision in my plot(s) only.
- 16. Ivins City agents and/or employees shall have the right of access on and/or across all garden plots as may be necessary from time to time, and to inspect garden plots to verify compliance.
- 17. I will play an active role in the upkeep of our community garden.



### COST:

Refundable Deposit: \$40.00 Plot: \$30 per plot Please make check payable to: Ivins City Mailing address: 85 N Main Street, Ivins UT 84738

#### **Waiver**

In consideration of my family being allowed to participate in the lvins City Community Garden (the "program"), I hereby voluntarily and knowingly for myself, my family, heirs, executors and administrators waive, release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless lvins City, its officers and agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, losses, personal injuries, property damage, liability, costs and expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever arising from, or in any way connected with our participation in the program.

I understand that lvins City does not provide medical or accident insurance, and that I and my family are solely responsible for all medical costs if I or my family should become injured while participating in the program.

On behalf of myself and my family, we hereby agree to abide by all rules and guidelines regarding the program as established by lvins City from time to time and acknowledge that our failure to do so will result in the immediate termination of our participation in the program and forfeiture of any refundable deposit.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025

Signature of Participant



### **Ivins City Community Garden Guidelines and Policies**

The lvins City community Garden is located at approximately 955 Red Mountain Blvd., directly north of the Desert Rose subdivision. Garden plots vary in size from 160(?) square feet to 400(?) square feet. The Community Garden operates under the direction of a volunteer Garden Manager(s) who coordinates activities with the City's Parks & Recreation Department.

#### Administration

Ivins City will administer the Community Garden through the volunteer Garden Manager(s). Gardeners must be residents of Ivins and are required to comply with the guidelines and policies in this document. Gardeners must complete the registration form and make the required payments prior to working in the garden. All garden plots are assigned on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be kept for future garden plot availability.

#### **Deposit required**

An annual refundable deposit of \$50 and an annual non-refundable fee of \$30 are required at registration. The annual refundable deposit will be returned (or held for the next year) if the garden plot is cleared by October 31. The annual non-refundable deposit will be used to cover costs of plot preparation, irrigation supplies, and similar expenses. The refundable deposit may be returned or rolled over for a garden plot for the next year. Deposits may be made with cash, check, or credit card. If a garden plot over-waters, has weeds, or is not in compliance with these guidelines, the refundable deposit will be forfeited and the gardener's rights to use the garden plot will be revoked.

#### **Plot preparation**

Ivins City will disk the soil for the garden plots. Mulch will be stockpiled in several areas of the garden and made available to gardeners. The garden plots will be labeled and assigned by Ivins City.

#### Water

Ivins City will install a separate tap to each garden plot and make available irrigation water when it is available to Ivins City (usually from April (March?) to October). Gardeners may provide their own water when irrigation water is not available.

#### **Responsibility of gardeners**

Gardeners will be responsible for planting, watering, and maintaining their garden plot. Failure to maintain the garden plot will cause the refundable deposit to be forfeited and the right to use the garden plot revoked. Gardeners will be responsible for the purchasing of any seeds or plantings, soil amendments, and watering devices.

#### **Plants and planting**

Plantings should be placed to not shade another garden or grow outside the assigned garden plot. It is recommended that gardeners build a border around their garden to raise and delineate their

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plot. Bordering helps to mark the plot, keep the water in the plot, and reduces weeds in the walkways when the water stays in the plot.

Gardeners may plant and grow crops during the time that irrigation water is not available as long as the plots are maintained free of weeds. Gardeners may not plant invasive species or noxious weeds.

Gardeners wishing to plant berries, fruit trees, or other perennial crops needing an area larger than their garden plot may arrange to get permission to use an undeveloped area of the community garden.

#### Water

Gardeners will be responsible for the irrigation of their garden plot and must not allow water to run off their plot or waste water in any way. Gardeners are encouraged to water between the hours of 9pm and 6am. Mulch is required to conserve water and keep pests and weeds down: wood chips, shredded bark, or straw are recommended. Garden hoses, soaker hoses, drip irrigation systems, timers, pressure regulators are allowed and will be provided and maintained by the gardener. Sprinkler or rainbird heads are not allowed. Gardeners may furnish their own water during the season when lvins City irrigation water is not available.

#### Weeding

Gardeners will be responsible for the weeding of their garden plot and adjoining walkways.

#### Pesticides/herbicides/fertilizers

Gardeners will be responsible for use of pesticides and/or fertilizers on their garden plot, so long as they are approved by the Garden Manager(s). Gardeners shall apply them in a manner so as not to allow any contamination to other plots. All chemicals shall be certified organic and applied manually. Spray pesticides are not recommended due to the potential for drift. HERBICIDES AND ANIMAL POISONS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE USED IN OR ADJACENT TO THE GARDEN.

#### Maintenance

All garden plots shall be maintained throughout the growing season on a regular basis. All gardeners will make arrangements to have their plot maintained if they are absent for any reason. Failure to maintain the garden plot will cause the refundable deposit to be forfeited and the right to use the garden plot revoked.