Gardening Guidelines

1. Plot registration is on a first come first serve basis.

2. Full-sized plots are 20’x20’; half-sized plots are 20’x10’. Fee for joining the Community Garden is $18 per person.

3. Family members are welcome to the garden site. Please supervise those less than 18 years of age. Pets are not allowed in the garden area.

4. We require that gardeners volunteer at least one day in the spring to help prepare the garden for planting and at least one day in the fall to help clean up the garden after the last harvest.

5. Organic gardening is strongly encouraged. There are experts who can help with any questions to advise us. NO herbicides or non-organic pesticides may be used at any time in the garden. Do not use Preen or Round Up. Organic pesticides, such as “Safer” are okay to use. Dispose of weeds and plant material in designated compost area.

6. Notify garden administrator if you are no longer able to tend to your plot, will be absent for a long period of time or have asked a friend to tend your garden.

7. You can only water while you are in the garden. Please limit water usage to 30 minute increments.

8. Everyone should make donations to one of the local soup kitchens. Thursdays – Deep River Baptist Church or Sundays – United Church of Chester. At either location you can bring the donation about 4:30 pm or contact them directly for specific hours.

9. There are no restrictions to the architecture of your plot (i.e. raised beds), except for the rule (as above in #5), prohibiting pesticides and herbicides.