



RETREAT AT GREENBRIER GARDEN QUILT RULES AND GUIDELINES (REV 3/8/2017)

- I. PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM. The Garden Quilt Program is a no-cost community garden plot program for the use and enjoyment of Retreat at Greenbrier residents.
The Retreat at Greenbrier Garden Quilt contains forty-six 3' x 5' garden plots.
- II. GARDENER ELIGIBILITY. The following criteria establish eligibility for having a garden plot:
 - a. Must be a resident of the Retreat at Greenbrier. If you move from the community, or you decide to not use your plot after it has been reserved, notify the Garden Coordinator so that your plot may be re-assigned.
 - b. May have only one garden plot per household except as noted in Section III.c., below.
 - c. Garden Coordinator: Resident volunteers will be solicited for the position of Garden Coordinator. The term of this position will be for two years. The Board of Directors will select the Garden Coordinator and publish that person's name, phone number/email address by 1 February each year on the Retreat website.
- III. RULES
 - a. During the month of February, quilts will be assigned by lottery drawing as determined by the Garden Coordinator.

- b. Garden Quilts are assigned for the period 1 March through December.
- c. At the end of April, if quilts remain unassigned, residents may submit a request to the Garden Coordinator for additional quilt on a first-come, first-served basis.
- d. Gardeners will prepare their quilt for gardening and may begin planting after receiving notification of their assigned quilt.
- e. Gardeners should take all trash and plant debris that they do not compost within your quilt to their home. DO NOT dump plants or trash in the surrounding wooded area.
- f. At end of growing season, gardeners should remove annual plants, plant supports, and store at their residence.
- g. If a pesticide is used, gardeners should make sure the chemicals do not get on your neighbors plants. Pesticides may not be stored anywhere in the quilt area. Pest problems may be researched in the Virginia Pest Management Guide, <http://www.ext.vt.edu/pubs/pmg/index.html>.
- h. Residents who do not plant their garden before June 1st will forfeit the quilt for the year and it will be assigned to another resident.
- i. At the end of the growing season, residents who do not clean out their quilt of the dead plants and/or cages will not be eligible for a quilt the following year. Remaining cages will be trashed.
- j. Garden hoses must not block the pathways around the quilts and are limited to 25 ft. long and must be of the curly type.

IV. GARDENING GUIDELINES.

These guidelines are designed to make gardening enjoyable and successful for you and your garden quilt neighbors.

1. Gardening Materials.

- a. Gardening materials. (Except for water) , garden hoses and spray nozzles, are supplied by the gardener.

- b. Simple, non-permanent structures, such as trellises and fencing mesh, are permitted. Neither solid walls nor roofs are allowed. Structures should be neat in appearance and reflect resident's pride of ownership. If a netting structure is built to enclose a quilt to ward off birds, etc., the structure must not be attached to the quilt wooden sides.
 - c. Cold frames are permitted if they are no larger than 30 inches by 30 inches by 60 inches and covers are made of sturdy plastic. Glass is not permitted.
2. Watering.
- a. Water is provided during the same period as the sprinkler system is activated for watering the common ground areas at the Retreat.

Be a good community garden member and enjoy the benefits of gardening in the Retreat Garden Quilt Program.

These Retreat at Greenbrier Garden Quilt Rules and Regulations are effective this date and supersedes all previously issued Garden Quilt Rules and Regulations

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PRESIDENT, RETREAT BOD