

Frequently Asked Questions About the Garden Center Letters

- **What does it mean if I got a letter regarding my garden plot(s) and no boxes were checked?**

It means that you are **in compliance** with your fence.

- **What if I choose not to make my fence compliant and wish to give up my garden plot(s)?**

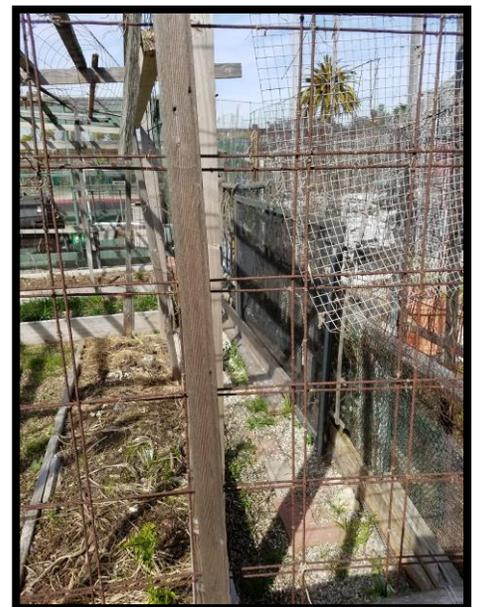
Please notify Bruce Gardner and your plot(s) will become available for those on the Waiting List. You do not need to remove the fence, but, you will need to remove your items from the plot(s).

- **What does it mean if I received a check mark for “Non-compliant structures and fencing to be removed”?**

This means that your fence is out of compliance. If you can push on your fence and it moves back and forth easily, it needs to be replaced or repaired. If it is in disrepair, it will need to be repaired or replaced. The fence is to be a true fence not put together by closet doors, shower doors, screen doors, etc.



Examples of non-compliant fences



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If I feel my fence can be repaired and not replaced, what should I do?

Take pictures of your current fence. Write down your plans on how you will make your fence compliant. Submit these to Recreation or Bruce. Staff will go out and review your fence and approve or not approve your alterations. You will need to repair your fence with in the 45 day time frame.

If I choose to rebuild my fence, how is the fence between the plots of another lessee or vacant plots handled?

This policy has not changed from previous years. It is up to you on how you want to handle the common fence. As you can see from the demo plots and other plots among the Garden Centers, these fences were built around their plot regardless of the common walls. If you want to share a common fence with another lessee, you may work with them and share in the cost. Remember a fence is not required. ***You are responsible to make all walls of your plot(s) compliant.***



What if I am going on vacation and I do not have time to take care of my fence?

Please keep in mind that you are not required to have a fence. You can remove it within the 45 days, and then replace it per the standards at a later date.

If you need more time to remove the fence, please notify Bruce, in writing, letting him know when you will be gone and we will put a note in the database with a date that you will return and be compliant

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- **If I don't want to put money into a fence, what are my options?**

You are not required to have a fence. You may also install a temporary fence with just chicken wire. You may use wooden or metal stakes.



Examples of temporary fences



Example of wiring around your plants

□ **What if I have a tree over 15' and it would harm the tree to trim it?**

If you have a tree over 15' tall and you feel it does not need to be trimmed, please contact Bruce. An Arborist will be happy to look at your tree. If it is best not to trim it, we will make a note in the database and you will be fine.

□ **What does it mean if I have Path Problem checked?**

It means that you have plants or objects outside of your plot area. Please trim your plants so that they are growing within your plot(s) only. If you have water hoses, chairs, etc. outside of your plot(s), please place them inside.

Gardener Responsibilities

- Keep your plot(s) weed and debris free
- Use Permit holder must work their plot(s) six months out of the year and maintain the plot(s) at all times
- Garden plots are to have fruits, vegetables or flowers 12 months out of the year
- Storage of materials not essential to gardening is prohibited
- No trees in garden plots and No plants in tree plots
- Leave ALL hose connections in free and useable condition for other gardeners
- Leave all hoses coiled and clear of walkways
- Staff must approve any fence, trellis or other structures prior to being built, added or repaired