

## General Rules and Regulations

The city of Vantaa leases plots of the community garden to associations for the purpose of cultivation. The association monitors compliance with these guidelines, acts as a communicator towards the city, and if necessary, prompts the farmers to remedy the observed disadvantages and monitors their implementation.

The association is obliged to inform the city of Vantaa, in writing, for contact persons and any changes in contact details.

## Use of the Plot

The plot must be cultivated and maintained. Plants must be placed in such a way that they can be maintained from the plot, and that they will not be detrimental to other farmers. The plot can be used exclusively for cultivation.

## Cultivating plants

Planting and sowing of originally non-naturally occurring species in Finland (for example: lupine, jumbo ball and jumper) is prohibited. In addition to useful plants and flowers, berry bushes of up to 1.5m height can be grown on the plot, but not trees or decorative bushes. Perennial/multi-annual plants must be planted sufficiently far from the ditches and corridors. Plants or seeds imported from abroad are prohibited.

## Structures

You can build a small compost frame and a storage box for garden tools. Around the plant bed 30cm high edge is allowed. For the pre-breeding of seedlings, a gauze or a temporary plastic tunnel can be used. The height of mentioned structures must not exceed 100 cm. Solid grilles or other structures (e.g. greenhouse, fences, pergolas, tiling, terraces, etc.) may not be constructed on the plot or adjacent to the plot. Furniture for indoor use on the plot is prohibited. It is not allowed to store building materials (e.g. boards, bricks, plastic or firewood) on the plot. During cultivation time, soil and fertilizer bags, water tanks, seedling boxes etc. should be maintained centrally on the plot or in a storage box.

After the end of the cultivation period, all movable property must be removed from the plot, except for the storage box, compost box and large water collectors.

## Composting

All composted waste from the field is to be composted in the cultivation area. All uncompostable waste (plastic and glass packaging, etc.) must be removed from the area.

## Maintenance and Care of the Area

The association must take care of weed eradication. Use of chemical plant protection products or pesticides is not allowed. Do not start an open fire. Avoid blocking the open ditches. The association is responsible for maintaining the landscape in a neat and clean condition. Thicketing? of the unrented

plots and spaces between them must be prevented.

### **Additional Rules**

The general rules and regulations for the plots of the city of Vantaa and Koivukylä are available on the wall of the guard cabin.

- There must not be structures over 100cm in height on the plots
- There must be a 25cm + 25cm passage, and parallel to the ditches a 50cm passage
- The owners of connected? plots must be follow the rule above
- Moving the boundary posts is prohibited
- Wheelbarrow must be able to used for passage on the lanes ?
- Every farmer must ensure that the ditch adjacent to their plot works
- The farmer must clean the ditch if necessary
  
- Construction over a ditch or keeping of goods on a ditch is forbidden
- In the case of a border, bridges over the ditches are allowed
- The water points and water tanks operated by the plot committee are allowed over a ditch
- The plant protection structures max height 100cm, covered with transparent colorless plastic film and lightweight frame
- Greenhouses are forbidden
  
- It is not allowed to store goods that are not for cultivation
- The owner must keep the plot area neat
- The farmer must transport waste generated on the plot without delay or compost the waste
- The plots are intended for cultivation, not for storing goods
- At least 80% of the plot are must be cultivated
  
- Field cultivation has to start on 1st of June
- No chemical plant protection or pesticides should be used in cultivation
- The use of chemically impregnated timber is forbidden in the plot area

Violation of the rules entitles the plot committee to terminate the lease, without refunding the balance payment.

At the end of the lease, the lessee must remove the belongings from the plot within two (2) weeks. The plot committee has the right to charge compensation from the lessee for costs incurred from cleaning the plot area.