

Bismarck Parks and Recreation Community Garden Use Agreement 2025 (NEW)

Bismarck Parks and Recreation District (BPRD) manages the garden plots at Elk Ridge Park, Horizon Park, Johnny Gisi Memorial Park, Municipal Ballpark/Hannifin, Tatley-Eagles Park, and Missouri Valley Complex. BPRD marks the plots and provides water and hoses for use, but no other tools are provided.

Please retain this use agreement for your own records and return ONLY the registration form and fee.

1. I will pay a \$15 fee per 10-foot by 10-foot plot and/or a \$60 fee per 20-foot by 20-foot plot up to a maximum of four plots.
2. If I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify BPRD at 701-222-6455.
3. I will plant my garden by **Sunday, June 8, 2025**, or my plot may be released.
4. I will keep weeds at a minimum and help maintain the areas immediately surrounding my plot.
5. I will keep trash and litter out of the plot, as well as adjacent pathways and fences. I understand that dumpsters are for garden debris only.
6. I will only plant tall crops where they will not shade neighboring plots.
7. I will use fertilizers, insecticides and other chemicals responsibly, so my usage of chemicals does not affect other plots. **I understand the application of non-natural herbicides (weed killers) is prohibited.**
8. I will only harvest my crops unless granted permission by another gardener.
9. I will return the hoses to the hose reels when finished and keep hoses clear of grassed areas if/when mowing is in progress. I understand I may bring my own hoses.
10. I will not use unattended or self-timing watering systems.
11. I understand the gardens are not secured, and damage is possible.
12. I acknowledge that garden plots are for personal use only; **commercial use is not allowed.**
13. It is recommended that dogs and other pets are not brought to the gardens. If brought to the garden, I will keep my pet(s) leashed at all times, out of neighboring gardens, under my direct control, and I will always clean up after them. Service animals are permitted.
14. It is recommended that plots are cared for at least once a week. If my plot(s) is unattended for more than three weeks, I understand that it will be considered abandoned and subject to tilling or reassignment, and I may lose the privilege of renting in future years.
15. I will participate in cleanup of my plot(s) by the **end of day Sunday, Oct. 12, 2025**. I will clear my plot(s) of all plant materials, markers, decorations, fencing, and stakes. Any material remaining after the cleanup date will be discarded. I understand that if I do not clear my plot, I may lose the privilege of renting in future years.

Payment (cash, check or card) is required with the registration form to secure any plots.

2025 Bismarck Parks and Recreation Community Garden – NEW Gardener Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Requested 2025 Garden Location (please number your first, second and third choices)

Elk Ridge Park _____ Horizon Park _____ Johnny Gisi Memorial Park _____

Missouri Valley Complex (MVC)* _____ Municipal Ballpark/Hannifin _____ Tatley-Eagles Park* _____

Plot Information (identify plot numbers below, up to 4 total – refer to garden maps at www.bisparcs.org)

Requested 2025 Plots: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ (plot locations are not guaranteed)

Plot Fee

Number of 10x10 Plots (up to 4): _____ x \$15 = _____

Number of 20x20 Plots* (up to 4): _____ x \$60 = _____ (only available at MVC and Tatley-Eagles)

I am interested in helping plot the gardens. **Yes** _____ **No** _____

I am interested in adopting abandoned plots. **Yes** _____ **No** _____

Comments

I have read the Bismarck Parks and Recreation Community Garden Use Agreement and understand my responsibilities and obligations. I certify that I am age 18 or older. I understand that neither Bismarck Parks and Recreation District nor the owners of the land are responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless Bismarck Parks and Recreation District and Burleigh County Parks, owners, for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by myself or any of my guests.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

**RETURN FORM WITH PAYMENT to:
Bismarck Parks and Recreation District, 400 E. Front Ave., Bismarck, ND 58504**

Questions: 701-222-6455 or bisparcs@bisparcs.org

STAFF ONLY: AN Receipt # _____