Rules for Working at the Carolina Community Garden during COVID-19 Pandemic
(Carolina Community Garden is an outreach program of the North Carolina Botanical Garden (NCBG))

While we have taken these and many other enhanced health and safety measures, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present.

- Volunteers will acknowledge via email that they have read and agree to follow Rules for Working at the Carolina Community Garden during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Since the number of volunteers at the garden will be limited, volunteers will need to sign-up in advance for workdays and receive an email confirming that date.
- Before arriving for the workday, volunteers need to check for symptoms using the Campus Health COVID Screening Test.
- Anyone experiencing symptoms should notify Garden Manager, Claire that she/he/they will not be attending the workday. Volunteers should also check their email to make sure there are no last-minute changes to the schedule.
- Volunteers must bring their own mask and wear it upon arrival at the garden. Volunteers must wear a mask where you cannot maintain a 6-foot physical distance.
- Volunteers need to wash their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds BEFORE they come to the garden, when they first arrive at the garden, and at the end of the workday. There is a hand wash station outside the garden. After washing your hands, you will need to dry them with paper towels located at the hand wash station.
- Volunteers should keep at least 6 ft physical distance when at all possible at the garden.
- Claire or garden staff will open and close the gates, shed, etc.
- Tools, hose, scissors, wheelbarrow handles, etc. should only be used by one person during the workday. If that is not possible, they will need to be sanitized before someone else uses them. There will be a clearly marked area for tools, etc. to be deposited that need to be sanitized before next use.
- Work gloves will be provided by the Carolina Community Garden. Work gloves used during the workday will be placed in a specified bag and using proper safety precautions, will be taken and washed before being returned into circulation. If the work gloves are very muddy, they should be left in the same area where tools, etc. will be sanitized.
- Anyone involved in harvesting should wear disposable gloves, provided by the Carolina Community Garden.
- Volunteers should bring their own water and be aware that nearby buildings have access restrictions in place, so bathrooms are not currently available.
- If there is a suspected case of COVID-19 from a volunteer, NCBG will try to determine which staff and other volunteers came in contact with the volunteer, and if any COVID-19 testing or symptom monitoring is necessary for staff and volunteers.
- If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 from a volunteer, UNC/NCBG will determine what staff and other volunteers encountered the confirmed case volunteer. Staff and other volunteers who had close contact (ex: spent extended time with volunteer, interacted indoors with the volunteer, conversed while less than 6 ft physical distancing, conversed without wearing a face covering, etc.) with the volunteer will be advised to follow UNC Health recommendations on getting tested and self-isolating.