



Participating in LCG

Can a gardener rent the same bed next year?

The Lewes Community Garden is a completely volunteer effort. All gardeners are required to practice organic gardening and are encouraged to help care for the Community Garden as a whole. Gardeners who do not participate at this level, or fail to regularly maintain their garden plot, will not be given the option to rent a garden plot the following year without returning to the lottery.

There are 2 levels of participation in the LCG:

1. Level 1 Gardeners (eligible for a 4x8 garden bed):
 - a. Maintain their own garden bed using organic gardening methods
 - b. Participate in Spring and Fall workdays
 - c. Participate in garden meetings
 - d. Participate in two or more of the following activities throughout the growing season:
 - i. Volunteer as Garden Captain at least once
 - ii. Assist with general maintenance of the garden (e.g. spreading wood chips, weeding, mowing, weed whacking, or participating in regularly scheduled work times)
 - iii. Assist with native plant areas, flower/herb beds, or composting
 - iv. Assist with harvest donations, education, or communication projects during the growing season
2. Level 2 Gardeners (eligible for a 4x16 garden bed):
 - a. All the above activities
 - b. Participate in one or more year-round LCG activities outside of the growing season:
 - i. Actively serve on a LCG Garden committee throughout the year
 - ii. Mentor a sponsored family or a new gardener

Continuation of Larger Bed

Level 2 Gardeners who have received a 4x16 bed must continue to meet the above criteria each year in order to be eligible for keeping their larger bed.

Benefits of participation in the LCG:

- Enjoy getting to know new people, learn about organic gardening, share experiences and friendship
- Gardeners will be eligible for continuation of their bed for the following year without entering the lottery
- Year round participation Gardeners will be eligible for continuation of their bed for the following year without entering the lottery, and may be eligible to rent a 4x16 garden bed (this depends upon demand, availability, and participation)
- Longer term use of a bed may be considered by the LCG Steering Committee on a case-by-case basis depending upon gardener participation
- Final bed assignment decisions will be at the discretion of the LCG Steering Committee