

Procedure for using the garden plot

1. Granting of the right to use the garden plot

1.1. The granting of the right to use the land to the members of the MTÜ TARTU MAHEAED is organized, and compliance with the procedure for the use of the garden is monitored by the management board. The land is made available on a first-come, first-served basis.

1.2. A land user has the right to use a plot of land if he or she pays the membership fee on time by 1 February each year and fulfills all the conditions for the use of the land. The amount of the membership fee is determined by the general meeting of the MTÜ TARTU MAHEAED.

1.3. The management board has the right to change the land use procedure by notifying the land users and then to reorganize the land use.

1.4. One person has the right to use agricultural land with an area of up to 175 m² in the area marked by the management board/land distributor. The land user must respect the boundaries of the land, may not rent out his or her land, or give it to another person for use without the permission of the management board.

1.5. It is allowed to grow herbaceous plants (including perennials) and fruit trees, and berry bushes in LAMMI Garden. The planting areas of the latter are determined by the management board. In LEHE Garden, gardeners can continue to grow vegetables and ruined berry bushes-fruit trees until the closure of the garden on 31.12.2022 (according to current data).

1.6. The land user has the right to erect plastic tunnels and/or compost bins on the land at his or her use with a floor area of up to 20 m². Gardeners of LAMMI Garden can also build a wooden garden shed/shelter: a foundation building with a floor area of up to 10 m² without foundations, if it complies with FIRE SAFETY RULES (the distance of buildings on neighboring plots must be 8 meters) and the document 'REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDINGS IN LAMMI GARDEN OF MTÜ TARTU MAHEAED'. Before constructing a building, a plan must be submitted to the management board together with the notation of the location of the building on the plot. It is allowed to erect pavilions.

1.7. Objects placed in the garden must not shade neighboring plots from the sun, are up to 2.3 m high, and are suitable for the natural environment.

2. Land use conditions

2.1. Horticulture must be based on the [principles of organic gardening](#). The use of mineral fertilizers and chemical plant protection products is prohibited.

2.2. The garden plot must be maintained. The land user has an obligation to keep the land in his or her use and the paths bordering the plot free of weeds and pests. If land users are located on both sides of the road, both have an obligation to keep the path in order up to the centerline. The spread of weed seeds and pests must be avoided.

2.3. The gardener collects household waste (film and plastic residues, broken plastic dishes, etc.) in a garbage bag on his or her plot of land and takes it out of the garden himself or herself. Large broken items must be taken to a landfill.

2.4. The gardener collects the composting material on his or her land in a compost bin or composting area. When creating a suitable area for joint composting, the board announces this in the list and on the notice board. Residues of timber must be collected at a place designated by the management board, usually at the campfire site.

2.5. Land users must take into account neighbors and other garden users: it is forbidden to stay on other plots of land without the owner's permission and other activities that interfere with gardening: smoking; alcohol consumption; making campfires on land; a free range of dog; unauthorized taking of property and crops from other gardeners.

2.6. You can use a small barbecue oven on your plot, as long as its activities do not pollute nature or disturb neighboring gardeners.

2.7. Fences up to 50 cm high can be built using natural materials to limit the plot.

2.8. Belonging to an organic garden community also requires members to volunteer to ensure the well-being and sustainability of the garden. This includes joint work (creation and cultivation of common beds, harvesting), contribution to the maintenance of common areas (roads, ponds, shared buildings and their surroundings, installation of a garden network, etc.).

2.9. For the winter, the film must be removed from the film greenhouse. If, for some reason, the film cannot be removed, the greenhouse must be covered with a dark green load cover for the winter. This is not required in the case of a multi-layer plastic greenhouse.

2.10. Plastic or textile pavilions and film, spun-bonded polyester, and film tunnels are not left in the garden for the winter. Cover the material and equipment on the garden plot with a load cover (dark green or black) for the winter.

2.11. The land user is prohibited from using pumps to draw water from ponds. In exceptional cases, if a land user has installed a solar irrigation system in greenhouses before the entry into force of this document, the gardener may use the pump by consensus of the management board. If the water level in the pond drops to 30 cm, the management board prohibits the use of the pump.

2.12. The land user may not arbitrarily cut down trees in the garden. The operation requires an agreement with the users of the neighboring plots, and the management board must be notified of the wish. The gardener can perform thinning of bushes on his or her plot.

2.13. In addition to the above conditions, land users must monitor and comply with the additional instructions provided in the list and/or on the notice board during the gardening season, including information on the opening hours of the garden.

3. Waiver of land use rights. Revoking of land use rights.

3.1. If the land user wishes to give up cultivating a specific plot of land to obtain replacement land or suspend horticultural activities for a certain period of time, he or she shall orally inform the management board/land distributor. A person who stops horticultural activities can remain a supporting member of the MTÜ TARTU MAHEAED by paying the membership fee of the supporting member (reflected on the website under the heading 'Joining').

3.2. The land user wishing to leave the membership MTÜ TARTU MAHEAED, must notify the Management Board in writing no later than one month before leaving by e-mail (tartumahead@gmail.com) or by paper application.

3.3. The right to use the land is revoked from the user by a decision of the management board if the land user does not comply with the statutes of the MTÜ Tartu Maheaed, violates the procedure for using the garden, or fails to pay the membership fee on time.

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