

APPENDIX 1
RULES OF ALLOTMENT GARDENS (BEEKEEPING)

1. To inform the Society immediately of any change in the Tenant's(s') address, email address or phone number. If you do not inform the Society this cannot be used as an excuse that tenants have not received a communication sent by the Society.
2. The Society will use email as the preferred method of communication. In signing the Tenancy Agreement the Tenant(s) agrees(agree) to this.
3. To show proof of membership of Surrey Beekeepers' Association (which includes indemnity insurance), and maintain this membership throughout the tenancy.
4. Each beehive 'unit' will be deemed an Allotment for the purposes of Appendix 1. It will provide accommodation for up to 4 hives, spaced at least 1 metre apart. For additional hives a further 'unit' will have to be rented. For the purposes of invoicing each 'unit' will be treated as a 2.5 rod plot, regardless of the actual size of the piece of land it occupies.
5. To keep all paths on or adjoining the Allotment clean and free from weeds and accumulation of rubbish, and to keep them mown if the paths are grass.
6. Not to obstruct any path or access way on the land of which the Allotment forms part.
7. To protect from damage all fences and gates which are the responsibility of the Society.
8. Not to deposit weeds or rubbish on any other part of the Allotment Area.
9. To permit the Society's officers or duly authorised persons to enter upon and inspect the Allotment at any time. Also, to permit two Members of the Committee of Management of the Society to gain access to and inspect any shed or building on any Allotment in the presence of the Tenant.
10. Upon the termination of this tenancy quietly to yield up the Allotment to the Society in such condition so as the Allotment may be immediately re-let. The Allotment must be cleared of all the Tenants' property, including, but not limited to any hive, shed and tools, on or before the Tenancy is determined. In the event the Society incur cost in putting the Allotment into a state fit to let then the Tenant shall indemnify the Society for such costs which shall be immediately due and payable when notified to the Tenant.
11. To show consideration to neighbouring plot-holders and occupiers of nearby property by minimizing any nuisance that bees might cause. To this end, the following should be observed.
 - a) Hives should be positioned with the entrance facing away from the nearest cultivated plot.
 - b) The plot should be marked out clearly with suitable fencing, a minimum of 6ft in height, around the bee plot to protect the allotment plots and any neighbouring housing. The plot should have clear visible signs warning of the presence of bees.
 - c) No hive-related equipment (bases, supers, roofs, etc.) is to be stored on the site.
 - d) The area where hives are located must be kept tidy, the grass on the hive site kept mown and weeds prevented from seeding onto nearby allotment plots.
 - e) Harvesting of honey should take place only after 6 pm, or less than 1 hour before dusk, whichever is earlier.
 - f) No honey extraction is to take place on the allotment site.
 - g) The honey is not to be sold for commercial gain.
 - h) In the event of swarming, beekeepers must respond to calls from the Site Warden or other plot-holders and endeavour to come to the site and capture the swarm. Beekeepers' contact details are displayed on the site notice-board.
12. Not to cause nuisance or annoyance to the Society's officers or wardens or to the occupier of any other Allotment or occupiers of nearby property, nor to obstruct any path or access way on the land of which the Allotment forms part.
13. Not to give verbal abuse or violence to the Society's officers or duly authorised persons or other Tenants.

14. Not to place or use barbed/razor wire for or on a fence adjoining any path road or access way on the land of which the Allotment forms part.
15. Not to interfere with or remove any hedges, fences, walls or boundary marks.
16. Not to prune, fell or remove any established trees nor bring onto, or carry away, any mineral gravel sand or clay or permit any other person to do so without the permission of the Society.
17. Not to store petrol oil or similar fuel or lubricants on the Allotment except in the tanks of machinery, or with proper precautions and only in such quantities as may be reasonably required for day to day use.
18. Not to erect any building on the Allotment without the previous consent in writing of the Society. These buildings to be of suitable material and dimensions as shall be specified by the Society. The building shall be maintained by the Tenant(s) in good repair and condition. Any building and possessions held on the Allotment Areas are at the Tenant(s) own risk.
19. The Society shall not be responsible for the loss of produce. Nor will it be responsible for the loss of any equipment or personal possessions that any Tenant may bring onto or store on the Allotment Areas.
20. Not to keep on the Allotment any animals or livestock of any description except those permitted by Section 12 of the Allotment Act 1950, and only then with the prior written consent of the Society. Nor to take any dog or other animal onto the Allotment Areas unless it is on a lead and kept restrained at all times whilst there.
21. Not to erect any notice or advertisement on the Allotment or Allotment Areas without the permission of the Society.
22. Not at any time to use oscillators or sprinklers, nor to leave a hosepipe unattended. Hosepipes must be hand-held and have a gun attachment. The Tenant must ensure the tap used is fully turned off when watering is completed.
23. Not to use carpets, tyres or similar materials laid on the plot to control weeds; only plastic sheeting or proprietary weed control fabric/membrane may be used for this purpose.
24. Not to light any bonfire anywhere on the site except during the period of 1st to 10th November. Bonfires during this period must not be lit before late afternoon and must strictly adhere to the Society's insurers conditions which state:-
 - a. fires are to be in a cleared area at a distance of at least 10 metres from any property;
 - b. fires are not to be left unattended at any time;
 - c. a suitable fire extinguishing appliance to be kept available for immediate use;
 - d. fires to be extinguished at least one hour prior to the Tenant leaving the site
25. The Tenant shall only use approved herbicides, pesticides, fungicides, weedkillers and chemical fertilizers on the Allotment and shall not use weedkiller or herbicide on any path adjoining the Allotment.
26. Non-Tenants may be admitted onto the allotment only if accompanied by the Tenant and/or with specific authorisation from the Society or warden of the Allotment Areas. The Society reserves the right to refuse admission to any person as it deems fit.
27. Not to burn or deposit, and to remove all non-combustible or non-compostable material e.g. plastics, from the Allotment as soon as is reasonably practicable.
28. To ensure all gates by which the Tenant gains access to the Allotment are closed and locked at all times, this includes on arrival and departure.
29. Not to bring or allow to be brought onto the Allotment or the Allotment Areas any firearms, including air rifles or other offensive weapon.
30. The Tenant shall report, immediately upon becoming aware of, any incidence of theft or vandalism to the Society through their warden.

31. As from 1st October 2007 no tenant shall be allowed to hold more than a total of 20 rods.

APPENDIX 11

RENT AND CHARGES AS FROM OCTOBER 2020

Rent: £3.40 per rod per annum

Insurance/Admin: £5.00 per tenant per annum including membership of the Society, insurance and National Allotment Society subscription