

OCEAN VIEW FARMS

POLICY AND RULES FOR NON-MEMBER VISITS

1. Members may bring guests to visit the garden but non-members may not perform any work in a member's plot or independent project, or any other location inside OVF. Members must accompany their guests at all times, including "touring the garden" and are responsible for ensuring that their guests conduct themselves in accordance with the OVF Rules and Regulations. Guests, including children, must be limited to a total of six people. These personal gatherings cannot be calendared nor can a garden space be reserved. Liability waivers are not necessary for these small groups.
2. More than 6 people may be considered an event and must be approved by the Education chair and/or president. Such events need to be garden, community or food related and will be calendared with the President and/or Education chair. These events, hosted by members, may be open to members only or to the general public, depending on the program. Members cannot independently calendar an event nor schedule an event on the weekends.
3. All individuals aged 18 and older who are not a personal guest of a member must read and sign the NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION WAIVER form upon entry into the garden. The OVF member responsible for the non-members shall collect the signed waiver forms and deposit them in the appropriate location in the office before the conclusion of the event. Children must always be accompanied by a responsible adult.
4. Any member who wishes to organize an event open to the public at large must receive approval by the Education Chair and/or the President and complete an application to host an event. Additional OVF members and/or docents will need to be present to manage gates and escort attendees. All events calendared shall be open to all OVF members. All events shall be appropriate for all ages.
5. No fees may be charged to attend any event or selling of merchandise unless it is part of an approved fund raiser for the benefit of OVF. Smoking, the use of alcohol, candles or any substance illegal in the City of Los Angeles is prohibited.
6. Only one gate should be used for entrance to an event. If possible, visitors should enter at one time and should all exit together upon the conclusion of the event. All events must end before sunset and early enough to allow the "Gate Closer" to complete that task. All trash must be placed in the dumpster or recycled properly. Chairs and tables must be returned to their usual storage locations.
7. All events must be of a nature that is in keeping with the stated purpose of OVF to provide the surrounding urban community a place to garden, to promote and practice organic gardening techniques providing education and guidance to members in the growing of plants, recycling of waste through composting, and maintenance of a green space within the community. And to maintain our status as a 501 (c) (3) corporation there are things that we cannot do as described in Article III of the Bylaws. We must remain Nonpartisan, which includes Non-religious.