

Rio Grande Community Farm Volunteer Rules & Guidelines

1. ABSENCES & RESCHEDULING

Please email rich@riograndefarm.org ASAP if you will be missing a shift. Please email robyn@riograndefarm.org if you need to change your schedule.

2. RIO GRANDE COMMUNITY FARM SAFETY RULES

a.) Heat: When working in the sun, use sunblock, hats, and long sleeves. Take frequent breaks in the shade. Prevent heatstroke by staying hydrated and drinking water every 15 to 20 minutes whether you are thirsty or not. Always bring drinking water with you to the Farm! There is no source of potable water anywhere at the Open Space.

b.) Tools: Do not work with tools that are broken or have loose or splintering handles. Keep tools sharpened and in good repair. Remove any damaged tools from use. If the tools belong to the Farm, alert staff who will remove the tool.

c.) Ditches: Stay out of the ditches! They are slippery and dangerous!

d.) Theft: Please notify the Farm Coordinator, Head Farmer, or Executive Director if you suspect theft from the Farm. For your safety, DO NOT be confrontational.

3. CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE OPEN SPACE SAFETY RULES

a.) Roads: The Open Space roads are available to the public for walking, jogging, cycling and horseback riding during the daylight hours. Unauthorized vehicles are not permitted within the Open Space. While visiting the rest of the Farm, please stay on the roadways. Park in Open Space designated areas only. Do NOT drive/park on Open Space roads.

b.) Pets: Dogs and other pets must be always on leash and stay on the roads ONLY – not in the growing spaces and fields. People and their pets must not harass wildlife.

c.) Prohibited Items: Firearms and alcoholic beverages are prohibited.

d.) Ditches: Irrigation ditches are dangerous! Many ditches at the Farm are deep, with fast flowing water and slippery mud. DO NOT go in the ditches, and please keep children and pets away from the ditches.

e.) Neighbors: Please respect and avoid disturbing the Open Space Fields and Farm's neighbors.