



## **Garden Sharing - Questions to ask a gardener**

These are preliminary questions to help a landholder get a sense of the gardener's experience and goals. You should also use the Garden Sharing Agreement template to talk about expectations.

**Where in the city do you live (major intersection or neighbourhood)?**

**What experience do you have with growing?** Have you planned, planted and maintained a garden on your own? Where did you grow (in ground, containers or balconies, community garden, farm)?

**How long have you been growing food?**

**Have you had any training in growing food?**

- Workshops
- Online learning
- Internship or apprenticeship in a farm/garden
- Gardening with a mentor
- Some college or university courses
- Degree, diploma or certificate completed
- None

**Where have you grown food?**

- Southern Ontario
- Other parts of Canada
- Other countries

**What resources do you use when you have trouble** (such as pests, plants not thriving)? Where do you get information?

**Is there anything more you would like to say about your growing experience?**

**Do you want to grow for one season or longer?**

**What kind of crops would you like to grow?**

**Do you have experience growing these particular crops here in Toronto?**

**How much time do you plan to spend in the garden each week?**

**Will you be gardening by yourself or will anyone else accompany you, such as a friend, partner, child?**

**Are there any tasks you would not be able to do yourself?**

### **Questions you should NOT ask**

The Ontario Human Rights Code prohibits discrimination on the following grounds:

- Age
- Ancestry, colour, race
- Citizenship
- Ethnic origin
- Place of origin
- Creed
- Disability
- Family status
- Marital status (including single status)
- Gender identity, gender expression
- Sex (including pregnancy and breastfeeding)
- Sexual orientation.

<http://www.ohrc.on.ca/en/ontario-human-rights-code>