



Community Gardens of Tucson

Cultivating Community through Gardening

TILLER AND CHIPPER SHREDDER USER AGREEMENT

THE CHIPPER SHREDDER IS A DANGEROUS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT CAN ONLY BE USED IN THE PRESENCE AND WITH THE DIRECTION OF THE CGT GARDEN TECH OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE. I AGREE THAT I WILL NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT IN ANY OTHER SITUATIONS. IN ANY EVENT, I AGREE TO RELEASE CGT, ITS EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND THE PROPERTY OWNER AND OTHER GARDENERS FROM ALL LIABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY ARISING OUT OF MY USE OF THE CHIPPER SHREDDER.

Tiller Instructions: Mantis Tillers are available to gardeners. They are very lightweight and easy to use. Other tillers should be used only with the assistance of the CGT Garden Tech. TILLERS ARE DANGEROUS. Do not use the tiller if you are not confident of your ability to use it properly. Keep all children away from the area. Do not use the tiller if you are tired or impaired. **To use the Mantis tiller:**

1. Contact the Site Coordinator to make sure the tiller is at your garden.
2. Make sure that there is gasoline in the tank. The Mantis tiller uses a 50:1 gasoline oil blend. Do not use any fuel except that provided. The gas cans can become pressurized. Release the pressure carefully before attempting to fill the tiller gas tank.
3. If the tiller has not yet been started today, pull the choke out all the way and push the primer ball (small rubber bubble) five times.
4. Flip the Start/Stop switch to the Start position. (O= Off I= On)
5. Pull the start rope. The Mantis rope is not very long and is not very strong; it is not the same as your lawnmower. If you have the choke out, push it in if the engine sounds like it is trying to start or after your 4th pull of the rope, whichever comes first. It may take 1-8 pulls to get the tiller started.
6. The Mantis tiller is used by pulling it backwards. The other tillers are self-propelled and are meant to till in the forward direction only.
7. When you are done with the tiller, clean the tines of any mud, roots and debris; return it to the storage area with a full tank of fuel provided, in an upright position and the Start/Stop switch in the Stop position. Inform the Site Coordinator of any mechanical problems you may have had with the tiller.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE TILLER IS A DANGEROUS TOOL and must be used with extreme caution. I understand that the tiller owner's manual explains the many dangers associated with this tool and how to safely use the tiller and that this manual is available for me to read. I will not use the tiller if I am not capable of doing so in a safe manner. I understand that using the tiller is neither essential nor mandatory and gardening activities can be successfully carried out without using the tiller. If I use the tiller, I agree to assume all risks inherent in this activity and hereby release the Community Gardens of Tucson, its employees, volunteers, and the property owner and other gardeners from all liability and responsibility arising out of my use of the tiller.

Name

Signature

Date