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New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station

RCE MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

Name (please print) _____

Position: Master Gardener Volunteer: ___ Intern ___ Certified ___ Educator

We appreciate your commitment to the RCE Master Gardener program. Your satisfaction and progress in this volunteer position is important to us. Please read the following expectations and indicate your willingness to cooperate by signing the end of this form. This form must be signed and filed with the county Rutgers Cooperative Extension office, and may need updating as volunteer activity changes. Volunteers not adhering to all items in this agreement may forfeit their certification as a Master Gardener volunteer.

The RCE Master Gardener Program agrees to provide:

- Philosophy and direction for the Master Gardener volunteer
- Information on state and federal policies that govern RCE and volunteers
- Opportunities for volunteers from all backgrounds
- Assistance, support, encouragement, and motivation
- Educational materials and ongoing training opportunities
- Information regarding coming events and programs
- Recognition for time and effort devoted to volunteer efforts
- Support for all Master Gardener volunteers using due diligence when dealing with the general public's inquiries

As a RCE Master Gardener, I agree to:

- Maintain my certification by following and fulfilling all annual requirements
- Support and promote RCE and RCE Master Gardener Program
- Carry out all duties in a responsible and timely manner
- Work cooperatively with RCE faculty, staff, and other volunteers
- Provide quality service to the public
- Conduct myself in a courteous and respectful manner
- Serve as a positive RCE role model
- Welcome volunteers from all backgrounds

I understand that this agreement will be in effect until it is either rescinded by RCE or I withdraw from active volunteerism within the RCE Master Gardener program of my county, or my RCE Master Gardener Certification lapses.

_____ _____

County Agent Date RCE Master Gardener Date

Media Release:

I also acknowledge that the above-named organization has my permission to distribute my quotes, photograph and/or videotape clip as part of its educational and promotional programming efforts. I further acknowledge that my authorization and permission is voluntary and I will not be paid any royalties, fees, or other form of remuneration.

RCE Master Gardener: _____ Date: _____