

Van-Kal Permaculture Grains Co-op Owner Agreement

Thank you for joining our cooperative effort to grow a portion of our yearly grains in a healthy, chemical-free way that's also healthy for our environment and our farm systems.

For your \$40 contribution, you become an owner of this year's harvest. For our first year, we are currently planning on growing: oats, flour corn (including a blue corn,) brewing barley, hulless (eating) barley, amaranth, and quinoa, as well as small amounts of other grains. We're planning to sow enough space to ensure that everyone will get a decent share. However in farming, as this unusually late spring is reminding us, there are no guaranteed harvests. But, we can guarantee a great educational experience and a greater understanding and connection to where your food comes from.

To make our harvest successful, you agree to participate in 16 hours of meaningful work to benefit the project, which might including site preparation, crop sowing, weeding, and harvest. There will also be opportunities to work doing outreach, organizing, event planning and other non-farm related jobs for those who would prefer office work.

Agreement: I understand the obligations and benefits of the Grains Co-op and I agree to be an owner:

Signature: _____

Grains Co-op Waiver of Liability

We hope your experience is safe and rewarding, but in all agricultural pursuits accidents can happen. Signing this waiver protects you and all other co-op owners from lawsuits.

Waiver: In consideration of being permitted to participate in the co-op, I, for myself, my heirs, personal representatives or assigns, covenant not to sue, and do hereby release, waive, and discharge the co-op, its members and employees from liability from any and all claims resulting in personal injury, accidents or illnesses (including death), and property loss arising from, but not limited to, participation in the co-op. (Initials_____).

Severability: The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing waiver and assumption of risks agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of Michigan that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect (Initials_____).

Photo Release: I authorize Van-Kal Permaculture and the Grains Co-op to use my or my child's photo in activities related to the co-op. (Initials_____).

Acknowledgment of Understanding: I have read this waiver of liability, fully understand its terms, and understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue. I acknowledge that I am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily, and intend by my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law.

Signature: _____

Make checks payable to our volunteer Treasurer for this spring, Kimberly Willis.
Please return signed agreement, along with the \$40 ownership fee, by May 10th to:

Michael Hoag
1227 Douglas Ave
Kalamazoo, MI 49007
Or return form by email to: luckymortal@gmail.com

