

2017 City-Wide Plant Exchange Guidelines

Festival of Flowers

Saturday, May 27

San Antonio (Alzafar) Shrine Auditorium

901 N. Loop 1604 West, 78232

Between US Highway 281 N. and Blanco Road Admission \$6 adults. Children under 10 free. Free Parking.

Event Information: SAFestivalofFlowers.com

#1 Prep Your Plants, Seeds, and Bulbs / Corms **BEFORE** Arriving at the Event

1. Label <u>ALL</u> plants and seed packets <u>before</u> arriving.

If you do not know the name of the plant, and our experienced volunteer can't identify it, we can't accept it. Must be established....not potted up the day before or that morning

- 2. Common plants must be <u>established</u> and healthy. No 'baby' plants will be accepted unless they are rare. Plants must have roots, and stand firm and secure in their container. Established at least 3 weeks
- 3. If your plants are <u>uncommon</u>, a descriptive note about planting, care, etc. is appreciated. Tape your note to the container, or put it inside.
- 4. Maximum 20 plants per person. The plant size must be appropriate to the container size.
- 5. No more than 5 of the same variety of plants.
- 6. Container sizes: 4-inches, 6-inches, 1 gallon, 3 gallon, 5 gallon.
- 7. Maximum 10 seed packets with viable seeds; minimum 5 seeds per packet.
- 8. No commercially packaged seeds will be allowed in the exchange.
- 9. Bulbs and corms: put in bags, 3 to 5 bulbs /corms per package.
- 10. Prickly pear cactus will *not* be accepted for exchange.

Please bring great plants and seeds that you would like to take home and plant.

#2 Preliminary Check-In

1. Plants will be checked for compliance with the guidelines before you receive your exchange tickets.

2. Suitability of the plant and guidelines compliance is determined by the Master Gardener volunteer at the check-in point.

#3 Exchange Your Plants for Tickets

- 1. One ticket for each container smaller than 1 gallon (4- or 6-inches)
- 2. Two tickets for each container 1-gallon or larger
- 3. Two tickets for each bulb /corm packet containing 3 to 5 bulbs / corms
- 4. Seed packets will be exchanged for other seed packets only; however, you may exchange a plant for a seed packet. Seed tickets will be a different color than plant tickets.

General Information

- 1. Carts and wagons are welcome at Festival of Flowers.
- 2. We cannot hold plants at the Exchange, but there is a free plant check-room in the event lobby.
- 3. You may participate in the Exchange multiple times during the 6 hours, 9am-3pm. After 3pm, unsold plants are sold at bargain prices until the event closes at 5.

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