

MG VOLUNTEER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS FOR THE YEAR 2013

MGV-in-Training must turn in required volunteer hours within one year of completing training.

Recertifying MGVs must turn in volunteer and C.E. hours by **October 1, 2013** to their local county recordkeeper.

Do NOT send this form to the Master Gardener Program Office. **Send your timesheets to:**

Local Recordkeeper:

Heather Schlessor

212 River Dr. Suite #3

Wausua, WI 54403

heather.schlessner@ces.uwex.edu

MGV Name: _____ Phone (_) _____

Address: _____ email: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

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INDIVIDUAL WI MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS & CONTINUING EDUCATION YEARLY RECORD SHEET

Use the other side of this form to record your Master Gardener volunteer activities and C.E. hours. *Keep a copy for your files,* then turn in hours to the recordkeeper listed by the deadline, unless an earlier date is specified by your training facilitator.

- ☐ **Intern MGVs** – record volunteer hours for initial certification. Additional Continuing Education hours are **NOT** required the first year (but you can record them anyway) . A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service are required.
- ☐ **MGVs recertifying** – record both volunteer and continuing education hours. A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service and 10 hours of continuing education are required annually.
- ☐ **Certified MGVs taking additional training courses** – record both volunteer and continuing education hours. To determine the number of volunteer hours required, check with the Extension Agent sponsoring your class. These same hours can be used to complete the annual recertification requirement of 24 volunteer and 10 CE hours.
- ☐ **MGVs inactive for 5 or more years** – record volunteer and continuing education hours. A minimum of 24 hours of volunteer service and 20 hours CE are required. Recertification for the next year returns to 10 hours CE.
- ☐ **Out-of-State MG seeking WI certification** – contact your local Extension agent or the MG Program Office for guidelines.

All volunteer projects and C.E. should be for UW-Extension sponsored programs or projects or community or civic group projects or programs, and should be approved by the local sponsoring UW-Extension Agent. **Travel time** based on the time a MGV leaves home until returning home, minus personal errands, and **preparation and research time** on projects or programs can be included in volunteer service hours. (Travel time to CE programs **cannot be counted**.)

Record volunteer hours by the following categories:

Youth Education (Youth Ed) – volunteer hours dedicated to youth education

i.e. 4-H projects & activities, county fair, youth clubs & organizations, school classroom presentations, etc.

Community Education (Comm. Ed) – volunteer hours dedicated to adult/community education

i.e. recycling, water quality & environmental displays & presentations, Farmer's Market, Gardenline, trips or tours for the public, group presentations, writing articles for newspapers, newsletters or websites, etc.

Support Services – volunteer hours dedicated to service projects

i.e. community beautification, water quality and environmental projects, community committees, and research projects. Also coordinating MG activities, newsletters, or UW-Ext. office projects, meetings by officers, committees and board members of local MG associations and the WIMGA and local MG meetings, but only for portions of meetings dedicated to planning or working on Extension approved programs or projects.

Continuing Education (CE) – education hours from attending programs offered by:

☐ UW-Extension.....

Brown Bag MG Monthly programs

Weekly summer Hort Update programs

Advanced Hort programs

Public Radio Show hosting Ext. Specialists

Satellite programs

Materials from UW-Media Collection

WIMGA Annual Conference

Regional MG Conference

Research Station Field days

International MG Conference

Other Ext. programs

Other states' Ext. programs

☐ Groups or businesses that focus on horticulture topics or leadership skill development, such as

Master Gardeners

Garden Centers

Botanical Gardens

Tech Schools

Universities or Colleges

Trade Shows

Guided Garden Tours

WI Gardener on Public TV

WI DNR or other state agencies

NOTE: While gardening books, unapproved television programs, the Internet and self guided garden tours are encouraged, they **DO NOT QUALIFY** for Continuing Education recertification hours. The quality of this information is variable and difficult to evaluate. The WI Gardener and other selected TV programs approved by the local sponsoring UW-Extension Agent **DO** qualify.

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Signed _____ Date _____