Rules for Greenhouse Use

1. Approval must be granted using the online form before using the greenhouse.

2. All automated systems are set by a divisional staff member. Do NOT attempt to reprogram any controller.

3. Please DO NOT relocate any plants outside of your assigned area without first receiving permission.

4. No field samples or equipment should be stored or processed in the greenhouse or headhouse without prior approval.

5. Only soilless media will be used. Growing media shall not be reused.

6. Pots and flats will be cleaned and sanitized with a 10% bleach or isopropanol solution before re-use.

7. Only clean tools will be used. Tools must be wiped with 70% ethanol before and after use.

8. New plants, as well as plugs, cuttings, etc., must be inspected thoroughly for signs of infection or pests by the user before they are moved into the facility.

9. Plants must be labelled with type of plant, student name, PI, course number, duration of experiment, contact information, and any special notes.

10. Unless properly indicated, yellowed or dead leaf material should be removed on a regular basis to reduce breeding areas for pests and diseases.

11. Doors are to be closed at all times to prevent the migration of pests. Furthermore, insect screens on vents will be kept in excellent condition.

12. The area surrounding the greenhouse will be well kept by Grounds Services to reduce invasion by pests that develop in weeds outdoors.

13. Any plant material determined to be infested will be reported to the responsible PI who will treat, quarantine, or dispose of as deemed appropriate. There will be a list posted in the greenhouse of approved pesticides and fungicides.

14. All trash, including old plant debris, must be removed from the greenhouse.

15. No food or drink other than water is allowed in the greenhouse.
16. No food or drink should be disposed of in the headhouse.

17. The greenhouse is for growing plants, NOT for storing supplies. No materials may be stored in the growing area. Permission to store materials in head house will be on a case-by-case basis. No storage is allowed on the work surfaces.

18. Do NOT rinse, sweep, or dispose of soil into the floor drains. Soil should NOT be washed down the sink drains.

19. Clean up after yourself.

20. Continued violations of greenhouse rules will result in forfeiture of greenhouse privileges.

21. Chemicals must be labelled appropriately according to PLU Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) standards.

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