

Rain Garden Inspection Checklist

Rain Garden Location _____

Inspector(s) _____

Date _____

Monthly Inspection _____

Post-Storm Inspection _____

Drought Inspection _____

Inspection Item	Yes	No	Comment	Action (if Yes)	Corrected (✓ or date)
Inlet/outlet clogged				Remove debris	
Source gutters and pipes clogged				Clean gutters, downspouts, pipes	
Inlet/outlet rocks out of place				Reposition/supplement rocks	
Damage/erosion to berms				Fortify berm	
Poor water distribution; gullying/erosion within basin				Redirect inlet; add rocks; re-level base	
Mulch washed out of place				Redistribute mulch; supplement mulch	
Sediment accumulation				Remove sediment	
Slow water drainage, excessive ponding				Remove sediment; aerate soil, replant empty spaces	
Drought, or sustained dry weather; wilting plants				Water garden plants (1 in./week); reinspect frequently	
Weeds present				Remove weeds	
Unknown plants or seedlings				Consult adviser to help identify	
Dead or broken branches				Prune branches	
Diseased plants (fungus, spots, discoloration)				Removed diseased parts; consult adviser	
Insect-infested plants				Determine if insect is desirable or damaging; consult adviser	
Crowded plants limiting air flow				Thin out/prune plants	
Dead or dying plants				Remove dead plants	
Empty spaces/missing plants				Reevaluate appropriate plants for location and replant	
Litter, debris, pet waste present				Remove	
Other problems (Identify)					
Repeated or chronic problems (Identify)				Consult advisers	

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