

# Accidents Take Joy Out Of Gardening

Cultivate safety in your garden this year, urge Michigan State University safety specialists.

An untimely accident can take all the joy out of gardening.

The four 'biggest' hazards are carelessness, hurrying, overwork, and ignorance.

A good way to eliminate hazards is to pick up after yourself. Rather than leaving garden tools laying on the ground, store them in a wheelbarrow, cart or shed.

In addition to preventing falls, time will not be wasted in looking for misplaced tools.

If you are making lines for a planting row with string and stakes, stretch the line, mark the row in the earth, and remove the string immediately. If you decide to leave the string up, tie strips of cloth at regular intervals to increase the visibility.

Carrying bulky loads can prevent the gardener from seeing and can cause falls. Carry all bulky loads to one side so you can see where you are going.

Be on the lookout for holes in the ground, even shallow ones, the specialists recom-

mend. Don't forget to look when you are stepping backward - there may be a hole behind you.

Lifting buckets of solutions, sacks of fertilizer, and bushels of compost can strain muscles and connective tissues. Bend your legs as you reach down for the load, so the strain will be placed on the leg muscles rather than on the abdominal and back muscles.

A two-wheeled cart that tilts down to let you nudge your load into it is better than a wheelbarrow. If you do use a wheelbarrow, be-

sure to put the bulk of the load directly over the wheel.

Even the least dangerous pesticide can irritate the skin and sinuses. Skin-pesticide contact is dangerous and should be washed immediately with a gentle stream of water for several minutes.

Always keep pesticides in their original containers and out of children's reach. Be-

fore using a pesticide, read the label thoroughly - it will carry some warnings as to use.

Keep a set of measuring spoons just for measuring

pesticides. When spraying or dusting, wear long sleeves and gloves and possibly even goggles. After spraying, wash face and hands well with soap and water and wash clothing in hot soapy water.

If you cultivate good safety practices this year, gardening will prove pleasurable, the specialists say.

## 7 Easy Steps To Transplanting

The following seven easy steps to transplanting garden plants are offered by Michigan State University horticulturists:

- 1) Water plants thoroughly. This will make the soil cling to the roots.
- 2) If plants are growing in flats or trays, "block" them out by cutting the soil between the plants with a trowel or knife a week before planting.
- 3) Gradually harden plants by subjecting them to lower temperatures and spring breezes.
- 4) Transplant in the evening or on a cloudy day if possible.
- 5) Set the plants in holes one-half to one inch deeper than they were in the flats or pots. Move as much soil and as many roots as possible with each plant.
- 6) Water with a starter solution.
- 7) Firm the soil around the roots.

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## Staking Has Drawbacks

"The next time you consider staking tomatoes, think about the possibility of having fruit that is smaller and scalded," says Gerald E. Draheim, Wayne County extension horticultural agent.

Many urban gardeners stake tomatoes because they want to get more plants per square foot. Although the practice does save space, Draheim points out that some problems may arise.

Staked tomatoes lose their bottom foliage and sometimes the foliage around the fruit. This could result in scalded or "sunburned" fruit.

Also, when the tomato plant is staked the fruit production is decreased because one root system has to support the entire plant. If the plant is allowed to grow on the ground, suckers will often root and supply additional

nutrients and moisture to the plant and its fruits.

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