



Registration Table (as of: March 2015)

1. Registration Forms

Registration is possible as:

<i>Garden Therapist according to IGGT®</i>	210 points
<i>Garten Therapy Assistant according to IGGT®</i>	120 points

The minimum number of points required for re-registration **30 points**

2. Registration Points

A. Proven Previous Education

For registration, it is necessary to show vocational training in a recognized profession according to the IGGT list, so a minimum score of 40 is necessary.

At the request of a member according to the recommendation of the Registration Section, the Board of IGGT decides on the inclusion of a group of professions in the list of recognized professions.

First of all, the highest professional qualification achieved is taken into account:

This results in the following points basis:

Level A (vocational school, dual education)	40 points
Level B (Bachelor, Foreman, Technician)	50 points
Level C (Master, Doctorate)	60 points

In order to take into account the different relevance and prerequisites that the different professions bring to the topic, this score is multiplied by a 'competence factor'.

The respective competence factors are determined by the IGGT Board upon a member's application to the Registration Section which then recommends it to the Board. They are based on the following scheme:

Profession offers sufficient horticultural basics, (teaching of cultivation works, knowledge of plants, etc.)	max. factor 1.0
Profession offers sufficient medical basics (clinical pictures, disorders, etc.)	max. factor 1.0
Profession offers sufficient therapy basics, (organization of group events, documentation)	max. factor 1.0

A list of professions currently recognized by the IGGT and the corresponding competence factors can be found here:

Area 1

• Gardener, Master Gardener, Horticultural Technician	1
• Florist, Master Florist	1
• Farmer, Mater Farmer	1
• Landscape Architect, Landscape Planner	1
• Dipl. Ing. in Horticulture, Bachelor or Master in Horticulture	1
• Environmental Engineer	1

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Area 2

- Occupational Therapist 2
- Physiotherapist 1
- Curative Teacher 1
- Psychotherapist 1
- Social Educator 1
- Nursing Specialist 1
- Activation Therapist 1
- Work and Life Coach 1
- Social Worker 1
- Psychologist 1
- Speech Therapist 1
- Care Specialist 1
- Occupational Therapist, Occupational Educator 1

If proof of a professional qualification from both area 1 and area 2 can be provided, then both are to be recognised separately.

B. Documented Further Training and Continuing Education in Garden Therapy

As a second step, proof of completed subject-specific further and continuing education is required. Here, at least 30 points must be documented.

The Board of the IGGT decides on the basic recognition of a further and continuing training course upon a member's application to the Registration Section and its subsequent recommendation to the Board.
The basis for the recommendation is:

Are sufficient horticultural competences taught during the further training that are suitable for the target group and practice of garden therapy according to the understanding of the IGGT?

Are sufficient medical competences taught during the further training that are suitable for the target group and practice of garden therapy according to the understanding of the IGGT?

Are sufficient therapeutic competences taught during the further training that are suitable for the target group and practice of garden therapy according to the understanding of the IGGT?

Does the course include practice-oriented parts, such as the implementation of projects, internships or job shadowing?

Does the course include periods of self-study and self-motivated consolidation of knowledge?

When awarding points, the IGGT is guided by the number of hours of attendance, as well as the hours of self-study/project work.

As a basis for calculation, one registration point is awarded for 2 hours of classroom work or 4 hours of self-study/project work.

Currently recognised courses and the points awarded for them are listed in the following table

Continuing Education	Classroom Hours	Self-Study / Project	Points
CAS Garden therapy ZHAW	180	144	126
Study Program Garden Therapy Danube University Krems	306	100.5	201
Integrative Garden Therapy EAG / FPI	162	54	95
Gardens Help to Live Caritas	189	140	130

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Weekend Workshop Grünberg	19	-	10
Garden Therapy Course Pfister	90	30	53
Workshop Garden therapy and Green Care Vienna GTW	24	-	12
Planning Workshop Garden Therapy Vienna GTW	16	-	8
Participants in the module "Green & Health" of ZHAW Zurich, Wädenswil Schmidt Erfurt	16	8	10

C. Documented Practical Experience with Garden Therapy:

For successful registration, garden therapy practical experience needs to be documented by appropriate letters from an institution/organisation/association. The letter should include the duration and content of the practical experience. A minimum of 30 points is required. The IGGT would like to give special recognition to the entry stage into garden therapy; as a result, the following weighting is applied here:

For the first 50 hours of documented practical experience
in garden therapy **30 points**

For each additional 50 hours of documented practical experience
in garden therapy **10 points**

As the field of garden therapy activities is very diverse, a case-by-case assessment will be made when processing an application.

D. Other Evidence:

Participation in an event recognized by IGGT, e.g., conference of at least 8 hours duration
as a participant **1 point**

Participation in an event recognized by IGGT, e.g., conference of at least 8 hours duration
as a speaker **2 points**

For every 10 pages of a publication on garden therapy: **2 points**

For every 1 week of internship in garden therapy **1 point**