

# *Frost Protection Plan*

## *GARDEN CENTRE*

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# Process

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- Bring all Herbs and Veggies inside stores- starting Today
- Apron Tables: Tent entire table with Tarps or Plastic, draped over the top & secured at the bottom
- Standing Carts: Carts with product should be rolled inside store
- Inside Benches: Need to be tented completely- all sides- no air coming in or put product onto racks and roll inside store.
  
- The purpose of “Tenting the Apron Tables” is to keep the Heat Inside the tent “like a Greenhouse”- as AIR TIGHT as possible.
  
- Use the blocks to hold the frost cloth on the ground- End caps have to be completely covered as well.
  
- The tenting should be done closer to closing time- 8-9pm and not be removed until weather is about freezing temps in 8-9am. This job should be done with minimum 2 or more associates.



# Step 1 Collect Material's Needed

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- Article 1000166576 Poly Tarp 20 feet x100 feet sold in stores.



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- Sheathing Tape sold in stores.



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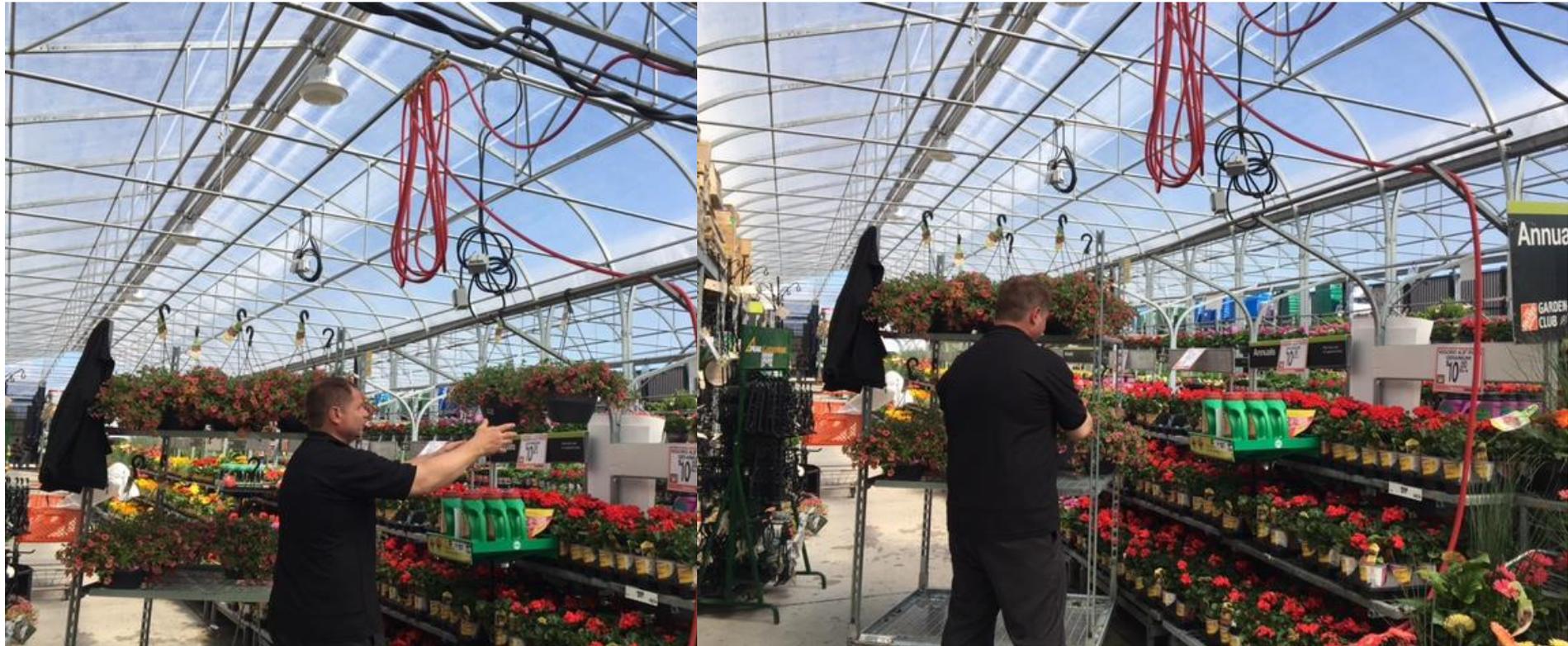
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# Step 2

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Remove Hanging Baskets from poles and place on racks.



# Step 3

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Un-sleeve the roll and measure out 6 steel benches (24 feet) long of material and cut with scissors. 24 feet is needed to cover the entire bench with extra too secure it properly.

24 feet = Width

20 feet = length



# Step 4.

Take the end you cut with scissors and begin draping plastic horizontally over top of Y frame so that plastic reaches on other side of island  
Pull over top down the entire run of island



# Step 5

Cut enough sections to cover the length of the bench, leave roughly 4 feet overlap between plastic sections.

Make sure there is extra plastic (about a foot) on either side of benches on the floor so no air can get underneath.



# Step 6

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**Locate pavement stones to secure plastic to ground to prevent from blowing away**



# Step 7

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For end cap's use plastic and sheathing tape meant to attach to plastic, try to lightly fold the plastic and tape without the plastic touching the plants. Remember you want to create a greenhouse effect you don't want the plastic laying on the plants.



# Final Results

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Final result is an entire run of benches with no gaps in plastic so no air can get in providing complete protection from cold damage.



# Keep Frost Protection Plastic for Future Use.

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In the morning before unraveling the frost protection please check the temperature, usually around 8-9am we would be safe. But if the plants are exposed too early the plants can still be damaged.

After checking the temperatures are safe, Store the Frost protection in totes properly marked "For Store Use" and store in the Garden Centre for future use.

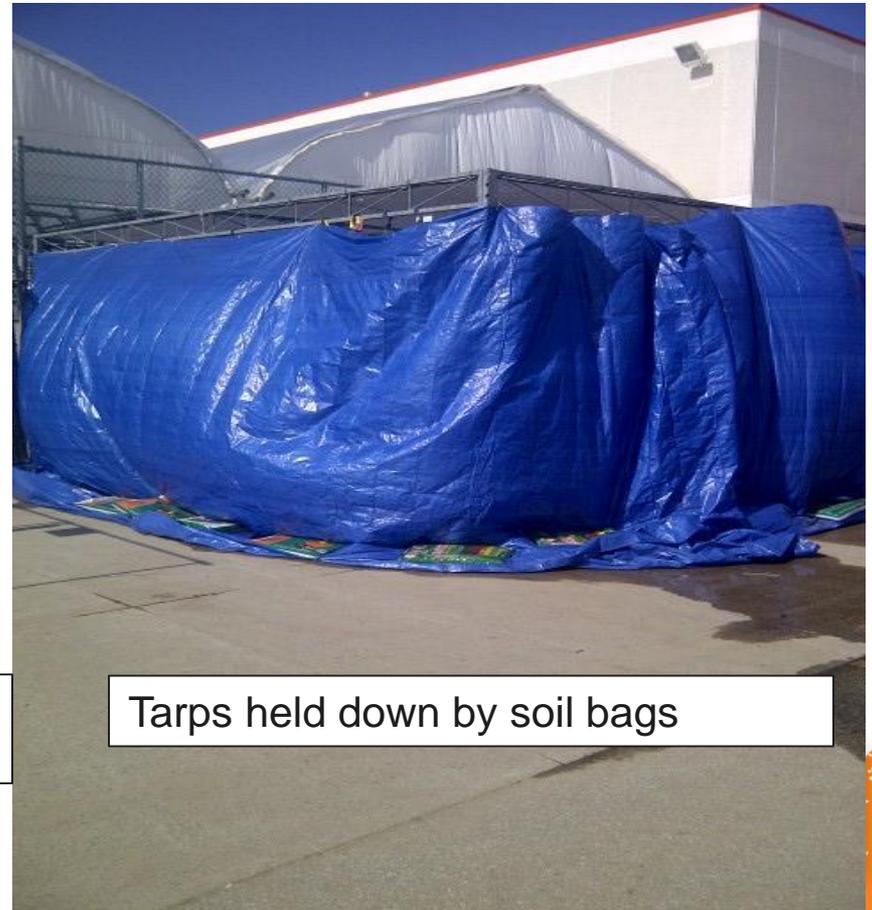


# FROST PROTECTION: Best Practice - Apron

- Hang Blue tarps off the sides of shade tent (use 40 x 50 Tarp)
- Secure with Zip Ties – as shown in photo
- All of these materials are sold in the stores.



Tarps rolled up after frost warning is passed



Tarps held down by soil bags

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