

Frost Tolerance of Common Vegetables

Light Frost: 28-32° F
Hard Frost: Below 28° F

Average First Frost in Dane County: Oct. 1st - 15th
Average Last Frost in Dane County: May 10th-20th

Tender Vegetables (damaged by light frost)

Basil
Beans
Cucumber
Eggplant
Melon
Okra
Pepper
Potato (plant tubers
under mulch)
Summer Squash
Sweet Corn
Sweet Potato
Tomato
Melons
Winter Squash

Semi-Hardy Vegetables (tolerate light frost)

Beets
Broccoli
Carrot
Cauliflower
Celery
Chard
Endive
Fennel
Kohlrabi
Lettuce
Onion
Parsnip
Peas
Radish
Scallion
Turnip

Hardy Vegetables (tolerate hard frost)

Brussel Sprouts
Cabbage
Collards
Kale
Leeks
Mustard Greens
Parsley
Spinach

Overwinter Vegetables (plant before hard frost)

Garlic
Leeks
Scallions
Spinach

