

RULES OF THE CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO FARMERS' MARKET, INC.

Section 1: Product Requirements/ Restrictions

1. Products, which can be sold, include:
 - a. Any vegetable grown by the seller from seeds, sets, or seedlings.
 - b. Any fruits, nuts or berries grown by the seller from trees, bushes, or vines on the seller's farm.
 - c. Any plant grown by the seller from seed, seedling, transplant or cutting.
 - d. Bulbs propagated by the seller.
 - e. Eggs produced by the seller's poultry.
 - f. Honey produced by the seller's bees.
 - g. Fresh (not frozen) baked goods made by the seller. All baked goods must be wrapped.
 - h. Preserves, relishes, jams, jellies, etc., made by the seller. No "low-acid" canned foods such as green beans, corn, peas, carrots, etc. may be sold. High Acid or Acidified foods (pickles, tomato products, etc.) may be sold if the seller has passed the FDA certification course. A copy of their certification must be on file with the market manager.
 - i. Fresh cut or dried flowers grown by the seller.
 - j. Firewood cut by the seller.
 - k. Compost produced and bagged by the seller. No topsoil or un-bagged compost may be sold.
 - l. Fish, meat, and cheese from animals raised on the vendor's premises.
2. All produce must be of top quality, to be determined by the market manager.
3. All prepared food items, meat, fish, and cheese sold must meet state and local health regulations including the inspection of the prepared foods seller's kitchens by NCDA health inspectors and labeling in compliance with the regulations.
4. All items sold as organic must meet the requirements of the National Organic Program.
5. No animals may be sold or given away at the market.
6. Non-farm crafts produced by the seller may be sold at the Carrboro Market. All crafts must be approved by the crafts committee.
7. Active members of the CFM may sell books that they have originally written that relate directly to the actual product sold at the Market, or describing the work and life of the seller as it relates to their market activities. Photographs may be included that relate to the seller's life and work. All books must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to sale

Section 2: Fees

1. Sellers must pay a \$50.00 annual membership fee. This fee must be paid at the first market attended each season. Only one annual membership fee is required no matter how many markets a seller attends.
2. Saturday Market:
 - a. Sellers must pay a daily fee of \$17.00 for one space during the spring/summer when the Market operates from 7 am-noon and \$14.00 for one space during the fall and winter when the Market operates from 9 am-noon, \$50.00 for two spaces during the spring/summer when the Market operates from 7 am-noon, and \$35 for two spaces during the fall/winter when the Market operates from 9 am-noon, and \$70.00 for three spaces at any time throughout the year.
3. Wednesday Market:
 - a. The daily selling fee at the Wednesday Market in Carrboro is \$10.00.

Section 3: Hours and Dates of Operation

1. Saturday Market:
 - a. The Saturday market will operate from 7 am to noon April through October, and 9 am to noon November through March.
2. Wednesday Market:
 - a. Market will operate from 3-6pm on Wednesdays Eastern Standard Time.
3. The Market will operate Saturdays year-round and Wednesdays seasonally.

Section 4: Seller Requirements

1. Sellers must reside and produce the items they sell within a 50-mile radius of Chapel Hill or Carrboro and in the State of North Carolina.

2. Sellers must be the original producer of all items being sold. No buying and reselling of produce or other products are allowed. A seller may lease land for crop production; however if that land has an established crop on it at the time of the origin of the lease, the seller must perform all operations necessary to manage that crop for at least one full season prior to the season in which the fruits of that crop are harvested for sale at the market. Documentation of the lease may be required. A seller who purchases land with an established perennial crop on it may harvest and sell that crop in the year of purchase.
3. All prepared food sellers must have a copy of their kitchen inspection forms on file with the market manager, as well as with them when selling at market.
4. Sellers of organic items must have a copy of their organic certification on file with the market manager as well as with them when selling at market. Only certified organic growers may display signs using the word organic.

Section 5: Space Reservations

1. Any seller who reserves more than one space must pay for and occupy all reserved spaces at least 27 weeks, or lose the right to reserve more than one space the following year.
2. Sellers who have attended a market for 17 weeks or more during the previous year may reserve a regular selling space for the season at that market, as space permits.

Sellers who have attended 27 or more weeks may reserve 2 spaces as space permits.

3. No multiple spaces are allowed at the Wednesday Market.
4. A seller must occupy a reserved space at the Saturday market by the first Saturday in May or lose the right to reserve that space for the remainder of the season unless he/she notifies the manager before the first Saturday in May of intent to begin selling at a later date. All exceptions are to be at the manager's discretion.

Section 6: Inspection

1. Need to add inspection procedures for current members.
2. The seller's farm or business must be visited by representatives of the Chapel Hill- Carrboro Farmers' Market, Inc. before his/her application will be considered for approval.

Section 7: Market Logistics

1. Each seller is responsible for cleaning up the area around his/her selling space.
2. Prices must be posted for all items sold.
 - a. Sellers should not move their vehicles in or out of the market area during times when such movement would pose a danger to people in the shopping area. Specifically, in all cases, sellers are prohibited from moving their vehicles during market hours. After the start time of the market, no vehicles may enter the marketplace area. If a vendor arrives after the start of market and wishes to sell, all vendor materials must be unloaded and carried in from a parking space, then the seller's vehicle(s) must be moved to an approved off-site location. Should a vendor leave early, then that vendor loses an attendance credit. All exceptions are to be at the manager's discretion.
3. Reserved spaces will be held until 15 minutes prior to the start of Market.
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5. Saturday Market:
 - a. When the Market starts at 9 am, no sales may occur before 9 a.m.
6. Wednesday Market:
 - a. No selling spaces may be occupied prior to one hour before the official start time of the Market.
 - b. No sales may occur prior to the official start time of Market.
7. No water or ice that comes into contact with meat or fish may be deposited or allowed to drain onto the market premises.