



2023 Farmers Market Rules

1. Sellers must be residents of the state of Ohio.
2. Sellers must produce in their county of residence the unprocessed vegetables and fruit, honey and baked goods, or other farm-grown items offered for sale. No reselling of items is permitted.
3. Egg and meat producers must be approved by Market Manager and/or Board.
4. Only fruit pies will be sold. No cheesecakes, pumpkin pies, custard pies, or cream pies per ODA Cottage Food Production rules. All bakers must follow the Ohio Department of Agriculture Cottage Food Production Rules. All baked goods must be labeled according to the ODA Cottage Food Rules. All exceptions will be approved by Market Manager and/or Board.
5. All flower, plant, and tree materials should be grown or propagated by the seller. No direct reselling will be permitted.
6. Artisans are eligible for Farmers Market Association Membership. All items must be approved by the Market Manager.
7. All fruits and vegetables must be fresh and of the highest quality and picked at the peak of freshness for market day.
8. All vendors must sell their products inside their space designated by the manager. This will provide all sellers an opportunity to attract buyers. All sellers must clean up their area and remove their own refuse.
9. All vendors must provide their own equipment and supplies. Scales used at point of sale must be approved and sealed by the Union County Auditor. It is suggested that items be sold by count or volume if not by weight.
10. Each seller must price their own product(s). Sellers should try to price their own product (s) at a fair market value. All product prices must be visible to customers.
11. While at the market, a vendor's primary purpose is to promote the Union County Farmers Market.

12. Non-profit groups may sell at the market if approved by the Market Manager. For-profit businesses may rent booth space through application process. Contact Market Manager for availability of booth space.
13. Pets are not permitted due to safety and liability concerns.
14. The Market Manager will assign spaces to vendors. If you are unable to attend a market the Market Manager by the Monday prior to market day. The Market Manager's contact info is: Kathy Custer at 937-644-8530, 937-578-8542, or kathycuster3@aol.com. If you fail to notify the Market Manager after 2 times, you are at risk of losing your assigned spot.
15. The Board of Directors shall not be liable for any accidents at the Farmers Market location or for any claims from consumers in regard to items purchased at the markets. Vendors are strongly encouraged to obtain the necessary liability insurance to cover such incidents.
16. The Market Manager retains the right to ask a vendor not to return if they are in violation of the rules and/or Code of Conduct. The vendor may take this dispute to the Board for resolution. Other grievances or problems also may be directed to the Board for resolution.
17. All new vendors must be approved by the Market Manager. The Manager reserves the right to move vendor's booth locations on an as-needed basis.
18. All vendors must be set up 15 minutes before the start of the market and may not tear down until after the market closes.
19. Vendors may unload their products in surrounding parking lots until 8:15 am. At such time vendors should park in the parking lot at 6th and Plum St. or the Methodist Church parking lot on Court St. ****NO VENDOR PARKING IS ALLOWED IN PARTNERS PARK** PREMIUM SPOTS WILL BE ASSIGNED BY THE MANAGER****
20. While the Market Manager does their best to avoid over duplication on items for sale at the Market, there will be no guaranteed exclusives to any seller for any product.
21. All vendors must sign acknowledgment on membership application that they have read and agree to follow the Code of Conduct attached to the rules.

2023 Market Season: every Saturday, 8:30am-11:30am; May 20, 2023 through October 7, 2023

Union County Farmers Market Board of Directors

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