



## BEAVERTON FARMERS MARKET VENDOR RULES AND REGULATIONS

**Market Overview:** Only the following items may be sold at the Market: farm produce (fruits, vegetables, flowers, frozen meat, poultry, eggs, cheese, etc.), flowers and bedding plants, baked goods and other processed food items, and arts & crafts (must be handmade by the vendor selling them). All products requiring licensing must have a copy of the appropriate licenses on file with the Market. All vendors selling edible products, soaps and candles are **STRONGLY** encouraged to have liability insurance minimum \$100,000

policy with Beaverton Farmer Market listed as additional insured. Management strongly encourages a minimum of 80% to be homegrown. Accurate signage is a must and will be enforced.

**The Beaverton Farmers Market prohibits the sale of the following products: tobacco, vaping paraphernalia, vitamins, CBD oil and all products derived from the cannabis genus. These products are not compatible with the Beaverton Farmers Market Mission of providing local homegrown, raised and made products.**

**SETUP** - All vendors are responsible for personal booth set-up. No vehicles will be permitted to drive through the market beginning fifteen (15) minutes prior to market opening and fifteen (15) minutes after market closing. Vendors should be set up and ready to sell by market opening and will keep all products set-up until market closes. No vehicles are permitted to drive through the market after 2:45p or before 6:15p. This is to ensure the safety of vendors and customers.

**CANOPY GUIDELINES** - Many sights at the market are in full sun and vendors are permitted to use their own canopies for shade. Please be aware that most accidents at farmers' markets involve canopies—it is each vendor's responsibility to minimize the risk. The Ross Lake area can have unpredictable weather and strong, gusty winds. Assume that strong winds may occur at any time and secure canopies appropriately. **Vendor canopies must be fully secured before setting up anything else.** Each vendor will completely secure your canopy at set-up and take down their canopy as soon as weights are removed at the end of the market.

**Vendors must use a method of securing your canopy to ground that does not create an additional hazard.** Any vendor who fails to properly secure their canopy will not be allowed to sell that day at the market unless the vendor takes down and stows their canopy. Vendors may sell without a canopy. (Effective June 7, 2024)

**SPACE ASSIGNMENTS/PARTICIPATION** - The market manager assigns spaces. Participants are usually allowed to keep the same space from market to market. However, the manager reserves the right to reassign spaces as deemed necessary each week. Participants expected on any market day must notify the manager 24 hours in advance if they are unable to attend. Failure to notify the manager with prior notice may result in losing a space in the market. Vendors missing a market without notification must contact the manager to verify space for the following week.

Growers/Vendors must maintain the space assigned to them in a clean and sanitary condition. The space must be left in clean condition when leaving. No trash may be left at the market. Vendors will assessed a \$50 clean-up fee if trash is left behind!! Spaces cannot be traded, leased, sold or otherwise manipulated without prior authorization from the market manager.

The market manager and staff reserves the right to accept new growers/vendors and/or commodities into the market based on availability of space, type of product/booth, and compliance with the USDA, MDARD and the Beaverton Farmers Market rules set forth.

**PERMITS/CERTIFICATION** - Each farmer/grower must file a copy of his/her MDARD License with the market manager with all necessary permits, farm/vendor name and full address, prices, production location and address if different than vendor/farm during market hours.

All commodities sold at the farmers' market must be of high quality and shall meet the standards set by MDARD. Commodities that are pre-packaged must be labeled with name, address, weight and price.

The grower, a member of the immediate family, or a paid employee may sell products if they are 16 years or older. It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure that their family member or employee follows the market's rules and regulations.

Collusion among growers/vendors to change prices or exertion of any influence, pressure or persuasion to cause a grower/vendor to change prices is strictly forbidden.

**VENDOR APPEARANCE/BEHAVIOR:** ALL vendors and/or fill-ins must have a clean and hygienic appearance and dress appropriately for the market. Products must be clean and free of dirt, dust, mud, molds etc. Vendors shall conduct themselves in a pleasant, courteous manner at all times. Disruptive, rude, and/or vulgar language **WILL NOT** be tolerated. Vendors who do not follow these guidelines may be asked to leave the market and forfeit their fee for the day. Vendors who continue to violate these guidelines after being removed from one market may be removed from the market for the season and fees will be forfeited.

- No alcoholic beverage consumption or smoking/vaping by growers/vendors in the market area is allowed
- No pets or ESA (emotional support animals) of any type are permitted in the market area (Service animals that fall under ADA guidelines are allowed)

**MARKET FEES** - "Weekly" vendors must submit fee prior to setting up each market day. "Partial Season" and "Full Season" vendors must pay in full prior to setting up at the first market (June 7, 2024).

Weekly vendor fee: \$10      Partial Season Vendor (8 or less): \$70      Season Vendor: \$100

**Any variation from the foregoing rules and regulations will preclude a grower/vendor's right to participate in the farmers' market. The market manager and other staff members have the authority to enforce these regulations and to exclude non-conforming growers/vendors.**

For more information, please call or text Sherry Bates (Market Manager) at 989-424-9452. Or contact Beaverton City Hall at 989-435-3511.

**Complaints or appeals concerning the actions of the market manager or staff must be made in writing and either mailed or dropped off to:**

Beaverton City Hall  
c/o Farmers Market  
128 W. Saginaw St  
Beaverton, MI 48612

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