

Fairburn Farmers Market Policies and Regulations

General Rules and Regulations

All products must be grown or otherwise produced by the vendor. "Vendor" shall be defined as the producer, of goods sold and shall include the spouse, siblings, children, parents, apprentices, volunteers and employees of the applicant who assist in the cultivation, production and/or sale of goods produced at the address listed on the application.

A limited number of non-food vendors (crafters) will be allowed at the market but the vendor must be the maker of their products. No commercially purchased products will be allowed for resale. Due to the limited number of spaces, craft vendors may be rotated each week

Vendors intending to sell prepared and packaged food for resale must provide a copy of their current Georgia Department of Agriculture Food Sales Establishment License. These vendors must attest to the fact that they grow or buy from local growers at least one major ingredient in their product. Baked goods are exempted from this regulation.

Vendors who wish to sell eggs and/or dairy must provide a copy of their current Georgia Department of Agriculture certification. Egg producers must include Egg Candling certificate.

Vendors must provide a list of items they intend to sell throughout the market season on their market application. If the vendor wishes to sell products not listed on the market application, the vendor must provide a list to the Market Manager by Thursday at 5:00 pm of the week they will sell so the market can maintain a diverse selection of goods and to help manage supply and demand. The Market Manager has the authority to refuse any additional products if the product does not fit within the rules of the market or if the product does not add any additional value to the market... i.e. requesting to add products that are already being offered by other vendors.

Health Regulations

All vendors participating in the Fairburn Farmers Market shall comply with the sanitary rules and regulations of the Fulton County and State Health Departments. All food must be properly displayed, fresh and grown and/or prepared in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations.

Hold-Harmless Clause and Insurance

All authorized vendors participating in the Fairburn Farmers Market shall be individually and severally responsible to the Fairburn Farmers Market for any loss, personal injury, death, and/or other damages that may occur as a result of the vendors' negligence or that of its agents and employees, and all vendors hereby agree to indemnify and save the Fairburn Farmers Market and its representatives harmless from any loss, costs, damages and other expenses, including attorney's fees, suffered or incurred by the Fairburn Farmers Market by reason of the vendors' negligence or that of its agents and employees: provided that the vendors shall not be responsible nor required to indemnify the Fairburn Farmers Market for negligence, its agents and employees. Because no insurance is provided to participants in the Fairburn Farmers Market, each vendor must carry his/her own product liability insurance and must be prepared to present it at the Fairburn Farmers Market. Each vehicle must be covered by vehicle liability insurance to cover any vehicle related incidents. Proof of such insurance should accompany your application to the Fairburn Farmers Market.

Market Location

Downtown Stage
15 W. Broad Street,
Fairburn, GA 30213

Market Schedule

The Fairburn Farmers Market shall be in operation each Friday afternoon from June 4, 2016 to August 26, 2016 from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Setup can begin no earlier than 2:30 pm and must be completed no later than 3:45 pm. Vendors arriving for set up after 3:30 will be assessed a \$15.00 late fee. The Fairburn Farmers Market shall be in operation rain or shine. No vendor will be allowed to set up if arrival is after 3:30 and set up of vendor space could not be accomplished by 3:45 p.m. Vendors are expected to keep in mind that a traffic tie up is not an accepted excuse for late arrival. Plan to arrive earlier rather than later if traffic situations could be a problem.

Presence

The strength of any farmers market is the presence of a number of vendors with a diversity of products. When you sell at a market, your customers need to be able to count on your regular presence. Vendors who indicate they will be at the market for each Friday during the market season will be assigned a permanent spot. Vendors who indicate in the application process that they are only available for certain market dates will be assigned to a spot that is available within the market.

Cancellations

Vendors are required to provide a minimum of 72 hour notice by e-mail or phone call to the Market Manager if they are unable to attend a scheduled market. Failure to properly notify The Fairburn Farmers Market Manager within 72hours may forfeit future participation at the market. Emergency situations that result in less than 72 hour notice will be considered at the market management discretion.

Vendor Booth Fee

The Fairburn Farmers Market needs a stable and committed farmers/growers and other vendors to be viable. Please be prepared to pay \$10.00 per day. Since booth space is assigned on a weekly basis, this fee will only guarantee you a spot if you keep the Market Manager informed of your attendance.

Space Assignment

Space shall be generally defined as 10' x 10'. Vendors are responsible for setting up their space and keeping it clean. Canopies or umbrellas are allowed. Tables are suggested. Nothing shall be displayed on the ground. (With the exception of live plants). Nothing shall extend in to the space of another vendor unless agreed upon by both parties.

Cleanup

All vendors shall clean up their area at the end of the Market day. All vendors shall be clear of the vending area by 8:00 p.m. Vendors shall be responsible for the cleanliness of their space during market hours. All vendors shall bring trash bags and keep their space free of debris their market stand produces including produce and product wrappers. Vendors shall bring their own broom if clean up of their product requires such. Vendors shall not use the nearby public and private trash receptacles for disposal of produce boxes and unsold produce. All trash shall be removed from the site by the vendor.

Pricing, Weights and Measures

Each vendor will operate as an individual entity and, as such, each vendor is responsible for setting his/her own prices. Weights and measures are expected to be in accordance with all applicable local, state

and federal rules and regulations. All scales shall be approved by the Georgia Department of Agriculture and have current inspection stickers.

Labeling

All vendors are expected to clearly label all products as necessary in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal rules and regulations.

Method of Production and Product Quality Claims

Though vendors selling at the market are acting as individual business entities, claims made by individual vendors may be perceived by customers to be backed by the market as a whole. For this reason, claims of specific production practices, and claims that products have specific nutritive or other health benefits, must be supported by analyses or studies, or methods of analysis, which are recognized by state and/or federal governmental agencies for purposes of certification. For example, under existing state and federal law, only certified organic growers may claim to use organic growing methods

Miscellaneous

No alcoholic beverages. No drugs

Non-Profit Organizations

Non-profit organizations wishing to sell products to raise funds or to promote a fund-raising event shall make application and pay the same rate as the other vendors on a per space basis. Non-profit organizations will be considered only if space is available and their product sales do not compete with the products being offered by the locally grown/locally made regular vendors. Products being sold should also meet the locally grown / locally made farmer’s market requirements. Commercially made products will not be considered.

Complaints

Complaints of any kind against any vendor shall be directed to the attention of the Market Manager. The Market Manager will seek to resolve the issue immediately.

The Market shall have the right to warn and/or suspend a vendor based on the Market Manager's personal observation of a violation of the rules and regulations.

The Market Manager of the Fairburn Farmers Market reserves the right to revise the Fairburn Farmers Market Policies and Regulations at any time.

We, the undersigned, agree to comply with the above requirements.

Print Name

Signature

Date