

VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD FARMERS MARKET  
RULES OF OPERATION - 2008

LOCATION OF MARKET

The Deerfield Farmers Market is located in the commuter parking lot at the northwest corner of Deerfield Road and Robert York Avenue, west of the AT&T Building, east of the train station.

PRODUCER OR GROWER DEFINITION

A grower or producer is a person offering for sale articles for human consumption, such as fruits, vegetables, edible grains, nuts and berries, apiary products, herbs, maple sugars, cheese, ciders, syrups and non-edible articles such as cut or potted flowers, dried flowers, and plant materials, which articles have been raised or prepared from products grown by the producers, members of their family or by persons in their employ. The participant may not bring in products he has not grown or prepared, or has bought from someone else for resale at the Village of Deerfield Farmers Market. Also, the participant may not bring in products which are not specifically listed on his/her application. If this rule is violated and substantiated, the producer will be asked to leave and forfeit any fee paid.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Village of Deerfield not-for-profit community organizations are invited to participate in the Farmers Market subject to demand and availability. Community organizations may not sell items that compete with those of the participating producers. Interested community organizations should contact Village Hall for an application. Permission to participate is granted by the Farmers Market Committee based on space availability. The applying organization will be notified in a timely manner as to the status of their application and setup (stand) location.

PARTICIPATION BY VILLAGE BUSINESSES

Businesses located within the Village of Deerfield may not directly participate in the Village of Deerfield Farmers Market.

ENFORCEMENT OF RULES

Participants of the Market (producers and not-for-profit community organizations) must at all times conform to Market rules. The Market Manager has full authority to enforce all rules. Any participant failing to comply with the Market rules will lose their space at the discretion of the Farmers Market Committee. The Market rules supplement Village Code and other provisions.

## TIMES AND HOURS OF THE MARKET

The Village of Deerfield Farmers Market will operate weekly on Saturdays, rain or shine, from the latter part of June through mid-October. Hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Producers are required to be set up by 7:00 a.m., discontinue sales by 12:30 p.m., and complete clean up by 1:30 p.m.

All producers, vendors, and civic organizations are required to be set up by 7:00 a.m. when the market begins. From 7:00 a.m. to 7:15 a.m., approval must be obtained from the market manager before any vehicle will be allowed inside the market lot. After 7:15 a.m., no vehicles or vehicular traffic will be permitted inside the market lot until *after* the market closes at 12:30 p.m. If a producer, vendor, or civic group arrives after 7:15 a.m., they must park their vehicle outside the market lot and transport their products and set-up equipment from that outside location into the market lot. The Park District lot (across the street and to the north of the market lot) is for residents and market and/or Park District patrons only and is NOT to be used by any producer, vendor, or civic organization.

## DISPLAYING AND SELLING GOODS

Goods may be sold directly from trucks in the market area. Participants must furnish their own tables, chairs or other display items. In case of rain, producers must provide their own protection as there is no shelter provided. Participants may not erect signs of any kind other than placards on their produce. All items must be clearly marked showing prices in full view of customers. Sellers must display their full business name and address.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS; PRODUCERS *SHALL NOT*:

1. Sell apiary products, maple sugars or syrup and processed food unless properly labeled in accordance with State Standards for labeling.
2. Sell or offer any article according to weight except in accordance with the established standards for weight in the State of Illinois.
3. Sell or offer any article for sale which is not theirs, their family's or a person's in their employ, unless prior approval is granted by the Farmers Market Committee.
4. Sell dairy products except hard cheese.
5. Sell home-canned goods.
6. Sell baked goods which require refrigeration, including soft or cream pies, meringue-topped pies, cream or custard filled bakery products, pumpkin pies, etc.
7. Sell meat or poultry unless approved by the Farmers Market Committee and in compliance with the Lake County Health Department regulations.
8. Sell any product in which chemical preservatives, coloring, or other direct food additives have been added.
9. Sell eggs unless approved by the Farmers Market Committee and in compliance with the Lake County Health Department regulations.
10. Sell cut fruits or vegetables.

11. Sell or offer any food which is unwholesome, spoiled, adulterated, or unfit for human consumption.
12. Attract attention to his goods by hawking or crying out.
13. Sell or offer any article without obtaining an Illinois State Tax License for the current year and having it in their possession.
14. Transport or display food without adequate protection against contamination. Delivery trucks and other equipment used for transportation and display shall be kept clean at all times.
15. Allow any waste, garbage or any other refuse to remain in or near their space after the closing hour of the Market day. The producer is responsible for the clean up of the producer space and the removal of all such waste from the Market grounds.
16. Bring any pets or animals to the Market.

### PRODUCER CONDUCT

Producers at the Market, as well as their employees, shall at all times conduct themselves in a pleasant and courteous manner. Producers and their employees shall avoid using all unduly loud, vulgar, profane or otherwise disagreeable language. They shall further avoid all appearance of having been or being in a drinking or intoxicated condition. They shall further avoid any belligerent action(s) which lead to or promote disputes, disagreements or altercations with other producers, prospective customers, visitors or any other persons on the Market premises. In the event other persons, other than a producer or his employees, cause or promote an altercation or dispute with a producer, the producer shall seek the advice and assistance of the Market Manager.

### ORGANIC PRODUCE

Participating producers may sell organically grown produce provided they are able to certify that the produce is organically grown. They must forward to the Farmers Market Committee an affidavit that they are selling organically grown products.

### LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

The Village of Deerfield will not be responsible for theft or damage of property or equipment from the stalls or elsewhere on the Market premises. The Village of Deerfield requires that all producer participants of the Farmers Market carry Liability Insurance and have proof of said Insurance with them at all times when present at the Market.

## QUESTIONS OF PRODUCE LEGITIMACY

The following procedure will be used if a farmer's produce is questioned regarding its origin on his farmland:

1. The person challenging a farmer's product legitimacy should first discuss the complaint with the Market Manager.
2. Should the matter not be resolved in this manner, a signed complaint should be put in writing and given to the Market Manager.
3. The challenged farmer will be told by the Market Manager of the complaint and informed that if the questioned goods are not produced by him, he should cease to bring them to the Market.
4. If the farmer in question continues to bring or offer for sale the challenged product and a second complaint is entered, the farmer is notified that an inspection will be made of the specific location listed on the Farmers Market application as to where such items are reportedly grown.
5. If the complaints are such and the amount is sufficient, it is the discretion of the Market Manager to make the recommendation that the farmer be removed from the Market. Also, no portion of the Market fee would be refunded.

## PRODUCER SPACE RENTAL FEE

A producer space is the equivalent of two (2) standard parking spaces, approximately 17' W x 19' L. A minimum of one (1) producer space is required at the rate of \$10 per week. Additional spaces will be assessed as follows: \$5 per week for each additional half producer space (i.e., one parking space) up to a maximum of \$25 per week for 2-1/2 producer spaces (i.e., five-six parking spaces).

Weekly Vendor Fee Schedule: 1 producer space (two parking spaces)	\$10
1-1/2 producer spaces (three parking spaces)	\$15
2 producer spaces (four parking spaces)	\$20
2-1/2 producer spaces (five-six parking spaces)	\$25

Producers must keep their vehicles, displays, and employees within the confines of the length and width of the marked space for selling purposes. Prior to the event, producers will be provided with a map showing their assigned set up location. The Market Manager reserves the right at any time during the market season to relocate vendors depending on space availability.

## GENERAL SANITARY REGULATIONS

### 1. Food Supplies:

Food shall be clean, wholesome, free from adulteration and misbranding.

Cheese, jams, jellies, apple cider and any other processed food must be prepared and packaged under conditions meeting the requirements of federal, state and local laws. Apple cider must be sold in the unopened bottle in which it was bottled.

### 2. Personal Hygiene:

Personnel with boils, cuts, respiratory infections and communicable diseases shall not be permitted to work in a food stand. Fingernails shall be clean and properly groomed, hands and arms shall be washed and cleaned before starting work, washed after visiting the toilet and washed as frequently as necessary during the day.

Personnel shall wear clean outer clothing.

Smoking or other use of tobacco is not permitted anywhere within the farmers market area.

### 3. Food Protection:

Processed food shall be stored/displayed a minimum of 6 inches off the ground.

Packaged food shall not be stored in contact with water or undrained ice.

Food not subject to further washing and cooking before being eaten shall be stored in a way that protects it against contamination from dust, rain, flies, insects, consumer handling, and other elements during transportation, storage and display.

Galvanized containers shall not be used for preparation, display and storage of acidic foods. Other than unprocessed bulk food and packaged foods, appropriate scoops, tongs, spoons and forks shall be used to minimize manual contact with food.

### 4. Food Contact Surfaces:

Food contact surfaces shall be corrosion resistant, non-absorbent, nontoxic, free of breaks, open seams, chips, pits and imperfections. Food contact surfaces of equipment shall be kept clean.

Refer to the Illinois Department of Public Health Food Service Sanitation - Rules and Regulations for all applicable requirements.

### SOLICITING

Soliciting for money, handing out of fliers, etc. is prohibited at the market.

### VEHICLES

No Motorized vehicles (except wheelchairs) other than those of the Farmers Market Committee and sellers shall be allowed in the market area. Riding of skateboards, bicycling, and rollerblading is prohibited in the Market area.

### NO SMOKING

Smoking is not permitted anywhere within the farmers market area pursuant to the Deerfield Smoke Free Air Ordinance.