



2021 Farmers Market Rules

1. Vendors 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 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 allowed 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. Any exceptions will be reviewed 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 offered for sale must be approved by the Market Manager.
7. All fruits and vegetables must be fresh and of 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 vendor must price their own product(s). Vendors 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 professionally represent and promote the Union County Farmers Market.
12. Non-profit groups may sell at the market upon approval by the 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 day at Marysville, contact Kathy Custer at 937-644-8530, 937-578-8542, or kathycuster3@aol.com. Please give 48-hour notice. If you fail to notify 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 a vendor location on an as-needed basis.
18. All vendors must be set up **15 minutes** before start of the market and may not tear down until after the market closes.
 Unloading and Parking for Marysville Vendors - Vendors may unload their products in surrounding parking lots until **8:15 a.m.** 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 PARKING IS ALLOWED IN PARTNERS PARK EXCEPT THE 8 PREMIUM SPOTS THAT WILL BE ASSIGNED BY THE MANAGER****
19. 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.
20. All vendors must sign acknowledgement on membership application that they have read and agree to follow the Code of Conduct attached to the rules.

Marysville

Saturdays

8:15am-11:30am

Partners Park (Main Street)

5/22/2021 – 10/2/21

<u>ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES</u>		<u>DAY VENDOR FEES</u>		
\$125	\$175	\$5	\$15	\$20
Standard Spot	Premium Spot Check with Market Manager For Availability	Youth & 4H Age 12 & under Persons sharing one space will still pay a \$15 fee	Standard Spot	Premium Spot

Board of Directors

Deb Schaner Cheryl Gordon Marie Nichols Stephen King Samantha Salapata



Code of Conduct

Professional Conduct

All vendors are expected to dress appropriately and to act and present themselves in a professional manner.

Vendors may not wear clothing with potentially offensive images. (sexual, graphic or “vulgar”)

The Union County Farmers Market prohibits the use of tobacco products on the Market site during market hours. Prohibited products include, but are not limited to cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes, and smokeless tobacco products.

Vendors may not bully, disrespect, or publicly disparage other vendors, products, volunteers, customers, market manager, city officials, businesses, or the Union County Farmers Market, either in person or by electronic media. This type of behavior may result in permanent expulsion from the Union County Farmers Market with no redress.

For the first offense, a verbal warning will be issued. The second offense will incur a written warning. Upon a third offense, the response may include, but is not limited to, suspension and/or termination of any business, current and future, with the Union County Farmers Market.

Discipline and Complaints

The Union County Farmers Market has created protocols and procedures that allow vendors to lodge complaints against other vendors whom they think are out of compliance with market rules and regulations. Complaints should be made in a timely manner, and not disruptive to the marketplace.

Complaints

- Should be directed, in writing, to the Market Manager for resolution.
- May be made in person, by email or mail.
- The vendor being accused of wrong doing must also respond in writing to the Market Manager/ Board’s decision shall be final.

Grounds for Removal

- Failure to obey city, state, or federal laws and regulations
- Failure to obey the Market rules and regulations
- Causing an unsafe marketplace for vendors and/or customers
- Excessive tardiness, noncompliance with market hours, or absence
- Reinstatement is at the discretion of the Market Manager/Board