



RULES AND REGULATIONS

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MARKET HOURS – Saturdays 8am-12pm (May 1 – October 15)
 Wednesdays 10am-2pm (June 15 - September 14)

The Lexington Farmers Market is limited to certified growers who live within the following counties: Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Rowan, Randolph, Guilford, Montgomery.

VENDORS MUST HAVE CERTIFICATION FROM THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE CERTIFYING THEY GROW 50% OF WHAT THEY ARE SELLING FROM MAY 1- JUNE 15, 100% JUNE 15-SEPT 7, 50% SEPT 1-OCTOBER 16

LFM MEMBERSHIP FEES: There is an annual fee of \$50 for membership.

DAILY VENDOR FEES

LFM MEMBERS	\$5/STALL SPACE
NON LFM MEMBERS	\$10/STALL SPACE

RENTABLE ITEMS	
TABLES	\$5
TENTS	\$5
SCALES	\$10

SEE MANAGER FOR SEASON PASS PRICES

PRODUCTS THAT CAN BE SOLD ARE:

- ⊗ Vegetables grown from seeds, sets, or seedlings
- ⊗ Fruits, nuts, or berries grown on land owned or leased by the seller
- ⊗ Plants grown by the seller from seed, seedling, transplant or cutting
- ⊗ Bulbs propagated by the seller
- ⊗ Eggs produced from the seller's hens
- ⊗ Meats from animals raised by and made by the seller
- ⊗ Honey produced from the seller's bees
- ⊗ Cut or dried flowers grown by the seller
- ⊗ Firewood cut by the seller
- ⊗ Straw baled by the seller
- ⊗ Preserves, pickles, relishes, jams and jellies made by the seller
- ⊗ Baked good baked by the seller

NO low-acid canned foods such as green beans, corn, peas, carrots, etc. may be sold. In addition no **canned** tomato products may be sold.

All products must be top quality.

All products produced under certification such as organic, licensed meat, poultry, or dairy products or products requiring inspection, such as baked goods or preserves must display certification or license and have a copy on file with the market manager.

All Vendor Vehicles must be out of the market area 30 minutes before opening and no vehicles may enter the market again until close.

VENDOR GUIDELINES:

- No live animals may be sold or given away at the market.
- In the interest of food safety no vendors may bring pets to the market, all produce vendors must use new bags for customer purchase
- All vendors must display a sign with farm name and location.
- Prices must be posted for all items and any items not grown by the seller must be labeled as to where the items came from.
- Anyone using scales must have them approved by NCDA
- Any music live or recorded played in the market area must be approved by Lexington Farmers Market Board of Directors
- The seller is responsible for cleaning up around his/her space or vehicle and maintaining safety in that area.
- No vehicles may be operated in the market during operating hours.

Vendor noncompliance of the rules will result in;

- **1st offense per market season-- vendor receives written notification from the market manager and 1 point of deduction.**
- **2nd offense per market season-- vendor receives written notification from the market manager, 2 points of deduction and 1 week(7days) suspension from the market as a vendor.**
- **3rd offense per market season--vendor receives written notification from the market manager and suspension as a vendor for the rest of the market season. Any prepaid annual space rental will be pro-rated and mailed to the former vendor. Membership fee would not be refunded.**

The market manager has the authority to determine the validity of a complaint and discretion when and whether to act upon it.

A vendor who disagrees with the market manager's disciplinary decision may bring their concerns to the board of directors at the next regularly scheduled meeting following such vendor's receipt of a notice of noncompliance which forms the basis of a vendor's complaint. A vendor shall submit their complaint to the board of directors in writing at least ten (10) days of the event(s) giving rise to such complaints/concerns. Failure to submit a complaint in the manner described herein shall forfeit such vendor's rights to have the board consider their complaint/concerns. Upon receipt of a vendor's written complaint, the board may allow such vendor to make an oral presentation to the board to summarize their complaint/concern and to share any written documentation the vendor wishes for the board to consider. The board may place reasonable limits on the time allotted for such presentation. The board shall respond in writing to the complaining vendor with its decision, which decision shall be deemed final.

The market manager has the authority to restrict a vendor from participating in the market due to noncompliance, or flagrant violation of market rules. Such restriction may also be brought before the board for its decision in the manner described above.

The market manager also has the authority to ask anyone; vendor, customer, LFMA member or non-member, to leave the market area due to actions that present a risk to the safety of other vendors, customers, the general public or for actions which disrupt the general well being and prosperity of the market.

CRAFTER'S GUIDELINES

Crafts must be hand crafted by the vendor selling them. A portion of the craft should originate from the farm of the crafter and be of top quality. No craft items may be pre-fabricated and should instead reflect a level of experience and dedication to a specific craft.

Crafts that may be sold at the Lexington Farmers Market must be considered old-fashioned handmade farm crafts such as hand-sewn, knitted or crocheted items, hand-spun yarns, hand-carved wood items, handmade baskets, forged items, hand-dipped candles, handmade soaps, handmade pottery, etc.*

***It will be at the discretion of the Craft Committee to allow items not identified above if the committee unanimously agrees that the items are in keeping with the overall presentation of goods represented at the market**

Regular farmers market vendors may sell crafts in their booth, not to exceed 30% of the products offered for sale. At each market, up to 25% of booth space will be designated for craft only vendors.

Craft vendors and regular market participants who sell crafts will follow an application process to be established by the craft committee prior to the beginning of the season. Craft vendors must be approved by the craft committee for participation at market.