

## **Market Policies**

Mission Statement: The organization of the Farmers' Market is to give small growers a retail outlet for their products including but not limited to: fruits, vegetable, plants, herbs, specialty food products, quality arts and crafts, and handmade items.

\*Management reserves the right to amend type of items permitted at any time.

### **Application Information**

All applicants must submit an application, along with applicable certificates on or prior to the day they first expect to begin selling at the Market.

### **Membership**

Membership is required for selling at the Market.

\*\*\*This year we are offering the first **two months free!**\*\*\*

Applicants will still be required to fill out an application, abide by market policies, and provide any permits necessary.

There are two types of membership:

Vested Member: Membership is \$30 for the 2017 selling season-Saturday and Wednesday.

This will cover the last two months of the season, August and September.

Vested member space is located in a reserved area.

Limited Member: Fees are paid only when you sell. Fees collected before you set up. \$10 for two day (Saturday and the following Wednesday) or \$8 per day (Saturday or Wednesday only). Spaces available on a first come-first serve basis.

Checks should be made to City of Harriman-Farmers Market.

### **PICK TENNESSEE Market**

Only locally grown or produced items are permitted. Members must grow/produce the food products sold. Exhibitors of art, crafts, photography, etc. must produce items being sold.

Misrepresentation of products sold will result in forfeiture of fees paid and expulsion from the Market.

References in this document to T.C.A and CFR are to Tennessee Code Annotated and Code of Federal Regulations. Specific sections may be accessed at

[www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/tncode](http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/tncode) and [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov).

## **Vendor Regulations and Requirements**

General Considerations from Tennessee State Department of Agriculture Compliance Guide  
All food, except fresh fruits and vegetables, sold at farmers markets must be properly labeled.  
(T.C.A. § 53-1-105).

The label must contain:

- The name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer or distributor;
- An accurate statement of the quantity of contents in term of weight, measure or count (if an item is sold in random weight packages, the label must contain the price per pound, the net weight and the total price) (T.C.A. § 47-26-917);
- The common or usual name of the food;
- In case it is fabricated from two (2) or more ingredients, the common or usual name of each such ingredients; and
- If the food product contains one of the eight major food allergens - milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat and soy - that ingredient must be shown on the label. (21 USC 343(w))

## **Types of Food**

### **Fruits and Vegetables**

Unprocessed fruits and vegetables are exempt from permitting and inspection in Tennessee. "Unprocessed" means a raw agricultural commodity in its raw or natural state with only a minimal amount of cutting/trimming that is necessary for harvesting.  
(T.C.A. § 53-8-203)

### **Processed Foods**

Processed foods in any form and packaged for resale offered at the farmers market must come from a licensed and inspected facility unless it is a non-potentially hazardous food prepared in a domestic kitchen. (T.C.A. § 53-1-208)

Food Manufacturers of non-potentially hazardous food may voluntarily attend a specified food safety class and undergo permitting and inspection of a domestic kitchen by TDA.

Unlicensed vendors of non-potentially hazardous food are required to place a sign (8.5" x 11" with ¾" font) at the point of sale and on the label which states "These product(s) were made in a private home not licensed or inspected" (T.C.A. § 53-8-177)

“Non-potentially hazardous food” means, jame, jellies, candy, dried mixes and other such food that do not meet the definition of potentially hazardous food. (T.C.A. § 53-8-117(a)(2))

“Potentially hazardous food” means any food that consists in whole or in part of milk or milk products, eggs, meat, poultry, fish, shellfish, edible crustaceans, or other ingredients which is in a form capable of supporting rapid and progressive growth of infectious or toxigenic microorganisms, home canned foods other than james and jellies, or any food that requires temperature control for safety. (T.C.A. § 53-8-117 (a)(3)) Food items that contain these ingredients like milk and eggs that are baked and do not require temperature control to remain safe are not potentially hazardous foods.

Canned foods, other than jams and jellies, shall only be sold if processed by a licensed and inspected operation. These kinds of processed food are classified as “formulated acid foods” and “acidified foods.” There are specific regulations for each. Persons interested in manufacturing these foods should consult the following publications by the University of Tennessee Extension:

<https://utextension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/SP747-A.pdf>

<https://utextension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/SP747-B.pdf>

## **Food Products**

### **Honey**

All honey sold or offered for sale in this state shall be prominently labeled as honey, along with the name and address of the producer and the net contents.

### **Farm Eggs**

No permit is required to sell eggs from a flock of less than 3,000 birds under the following conditions:

- Indications the eggs have been effectively cleans and sanitized
- Eggs sods as unclassified or ungraded eggs shall be sold in unused containers that are labeled with the name and address of the producer of the eggs
- Eggs deemed adulterated may not be offered for sale
- Eggs are stored at 41° F or below. (21 CFR 115.50)

## **Other Products**

### **Soaps**

Homemade soaps made from goat/sheep raw milk are under the guidance of Consumer Product Safety Commission. No inspection or permitting is required by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.

### **Plants**

All persons offering plants and plant material for sale, except vegetable plants, must possess a Plant Dealer, Greenhouse or Nursery Certificate from the TDA. (T.C.A. § 43-6-101-112) Additional information may be obtained by contacting Plant Certification at 617-837-5137

Information on all permits and licenses required by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture can be found by calling 1-800-628-2631 or at:

<http://www.state.tn.us/agriculture/regulate/permits/index.html>.

Live animals of any kind are prohibited. Pets are not permitted in booths. Smoking is prohibited.

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