



Rules and Regulations (updated 3/1/21)

2021 Season - Saturdays May 1 - October 30 9 am to 1 pm

Depot Street Farmers Market is a 100% Producer-Only market! Our goal is to supply visitors with locally grown and crafted products and to showcase our local Farmers and Artisans. We are pleased to have you join us as a vendor. Please read the following rules and regulations and return the signed Vendor Application to the Market Manager and *keep these Rules and Regulations for your records.*

Fees And Space Rentals:

- \$5 per day for Paid Members for a 10 x 10 space, \$10 per day for Guest Vendors

Memberships:

- Membership fees are \$25 due by first day vendor sets up
- Membership shall be open to any bonafide farmer/producer of goods, raising/making 100% of his/her goods and in good standing with the market organization.
- Members have the opportunity to vote at the annual meeting on changes made, including election of board members and directors. Votes are carried out on a per farm unit basis. (one vote per farm/producer)

Vendor Categories

- *Produce vendors:* All produce sold at market must be grown by the vendor. No re-selling will be allowed.
- *Prepared Food vendors:* items such as homemade baked goods, honey, jams, jellies and canned foods are acceptable given they meet all state and local health department regulations, USDA and TN Dept of Ag regulations/standards. All products must be properly labeled.
- *Meat Vendors:* Meat sold must be produced by the vendor. All meats must be refrigerated or frozen in original packaging, clearly labeled and stored in clean and sanitary refrigerators, freezers or coolers that meet USDA requirements. A Retail Meat Sales Permit is required from vendors selling meat at market. The permit must be submitted with the vendor application and also displayed at the vendor booth. Compliance with all USDA and TDA guidelines, requirements and restrictions are the sole responsibility of the vendor.
- *Egg Vendors:* A producer may sell eggs at a farmers market from his/her own flock of less than 3,000 birds under the following conditions:
 1. Compliance with sanitation requirements of egg rules
 2. Eggs sold as unclassified or ungraded must be sold in containers that are labeled to indicate the producer of the eggs.
 3. Eggs deemed adulterated may not be offered for sale.
 4. Eggs are stored at 41 degrees or below
- *Dairy Vendors:* Raw milk cannot be offered for sale for human consumption. All dairy products, including ice cream and cheese, must come from an approved source that is inspected and permitted. All products must meet regulations set forth by the TDA.
- *Soap, Pet Food, Plant Vendors:* items may be sold only in compliance with the TDA.
- *Craft vendors:* Artwork and crafts must be handcrafted by the vendor. No re-selling will be allowed.

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SNAP Benefits

All vendors with eligible items will be required to participate in the SNAP program at the market. Training will be provided to vendors to ensure proper compliance with program regulations.

Safety and Sanitation

- Vendors are responsible for their own power source if needed, and must comply with any City Noise and Pollution Ordinances
- Vendors are required to leave their space clean and remove any garbage generated during the market day
- All tents must be secured with weights to prevent mishaps on windy days.
- No open flames are allowed in the market.
- Any vendor that needs to leave market early should ask for assistance from market management when driving out of the market area, in order to ensure the safety of any pedestrians present.

Other Vendor Notes

- **Vendors must reside and produce the items they sell within a 50-mile radius of Greeneville, TN.**
- Vendors are expected to arrive no later than 8:30 am and be ready for business by 9 am. Vendors are expected to comply with Market Rules as well as all local, state and federal laws and regulations.
- Vendors are responsible for collecting and filing any applicable taxes. This is the sole responsibility of the vendor.
- Vendors are responsible for the safeguarding of their property, Greene County Partnership, the City of Greeneville and Market Staff are not responsible for any loss or theft.
- Vendors are encouraged to acquire liability insurance to cover their products (if applicable).
- Vendors must maintain a Professional and Respectful attitude at all times. Complaints against a vendor will result in actions taken by Market Manager or Board.
- Market management may request to visit the vendor's farm by a special committee designated by the Board of Directors to verify to the corporation that he/she is the original producer of all farm products being sold.

Vendor agrees to abide by all ordinances and regulations of the City of Greeneville and all conditions that may be required by Depot Street Farmers Market and its parent organization, Northeast Tennessee Food Alliance, Inc.

Vendor is encouraged to acquire insurance to cover its actions at the market. Depot Street Farmers Market/Northeast Tennessee Food Alliance, Inc. is not responsible for the acts of the Vendor, its employees or agents. By signing Market Vendor Application, vendor agrees to comply with the provisions herein as well as other applicable laws and regulations.

Questions? Email depotstreetmarket@gmail.com

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