

MARKET POLICIES 2024

Overview

The Yarmouth Farmers Market operates as a program of the nonprofit 317 Main Community Music Center. It is located in the Bickford Pavilion at 1 Railroad Square in Yarmouth, Maine. In 2024, the market will operate outdoors Thursday afternoons 3pm-6pm May through October and relocate inside 317 Main's Founders Hall in November - December, time TBA.

Payment

Seasonal vendors pay \$175 for the May - October season. Checks can be made out to "Yarmouth Farmers Market" and mailed to Yarmouth Farmers Market % 317 Main Community Music Center, 317 Main Street, Yarmouth, ME 04096.

Guest vendors pay \$20 per market and may attend up to 6 markets throughout the season. Payment can be made in cash or by check at the market.

Participation

Vendors can begin setting up 1 hour and 15 minutes prior to the start of market and must be set up and ready to greet customers by 3pm. Vendors may not leave before 6 pm except in case of emergency.

Seasonal vendors can miss 3 markets during the season with at least 24 hours notice. If a seasonal vendor misses 2 markets without informing the market manager, they may lose their space at the market.

Guest vendors may cancel with at least 24 hours notice and reschedule.

The market operates rain or shine. If extreme weather is forecasted, the market may be cancelled and all vendors will be notified.

Stalls & Equipment



Our market is located in a pavilion on a concrete pad. Space is limited. All seasonals have a designated space that is large enough to accommodate a 10 X 10 tent.

Because the open air pavilion has a roof, tents are optional, but most vendors use them to give their displays more structure. Vendors using tents must bring weights and should consider bringing a sun shade due to our location and hours of operation.

Guest vendors may be located outside the pavilion on the lawn and should bring a tent, stakes and weights.

Vendor booths must have signage indicating the farm/business name and location.

Vendors bring their own tables and are expected to carry out their own trash.

Products

To participate in the Yarmouth Farmers Market, products must be grown, harvested, or produced in Maine.

As per state law, at least 75% of a vendor's products must be grown, caught, wild harvested, or made by the vendor, their family members, or employees. Up to 25% of the products offered may be purchased from or sold on behalf of other Maine producers. If a vendor brings products from another farmer or maker, they must be knowledgeable about the product's provenance.

Licensing & Insurance

All vendors are expected to be knowledgeable and in compliance with state regulations regarding the production, display and sale of products.

Vendors will need to provide copies of necessary licensing and proof of liability insurance. The Certificate of Insurance should list both "317 Main" and "Bickford Transportation Inc." as Additional Insured.

For more information about food licensing and regulations, please visit, the <u>Maine</u> <u>Federation of Farmers Markets</u> or the <u>Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.</u>



Parking

Vendors may park alongside the pavilion to unload. All vendors MUST relocate vehicles to the field behind the pavilion. If a vendor requires access to their vehicle during the market, please discuss with Market Manager (theyarmouthfarmersmarket@gmail.com or 207-329-7735)