



Main Street Farmers' Market Rules and Regulations

Market Location: 200 Block of Main Street, Sulphur Springs, Texas
Market Dates: Every Saturday. March 21, 2009 through October 17, 2009.
Market Hours: 8 a.m. through 2 p.m. (rain or shine)

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Main Street Farmers' Market to:

- Be a hub of activity and thereby enliven the downtown commercial district.
- Promote a sense of community within the town.
- Bring fresh, local food items to the public.
- Provide local farmers and producers a place to sell their goods.

Requirements of Vendors

1. Daily Fee - \$10.00. All fees are due and payable upon arrival if not pre-paid. Payment should be made to the "City of Sulphur Springs.
2. All Vendors must submit a completed and signed application. The Main Street Farmers' Market reserves the right to refuse participation to any applicant.
3. All complaints against Vendors shall be resolved by the Market Manager. Such complaints may, at the discretion of the Market Manager, result in termination of selling privileges.
4. Vendors submitting an application must provide a list of items to be sold. The submitted list will be examined at the time of application and will be approved or disapproved by the Market Manager. Vendors may only sell items from their list.
5. Market Manager shall designate all vending and parking areas.
6. Vendors shall set up with E.Z.-UP or similar style canopies in order to present a consistent market display. All canopies are required to be weighted down to prevent movement due to wind. Any canopy shall be taken down by the vendor if the Market Manager deems the canopy unsafe.
7. Vendor's product and signage must be contained within the selling space unless otherwise approved by Market Manager.
8. Vendors shall maintain a courteous and professional manner at the market. All profane, abusive and discourteous language is prohibited and shall be grounds for termination of selling privileges. No loud hawking of items is allowed.
9. All products shall be clearly priced.
10. Scales for food or produce sales shall be registered with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). Vendors shall be required from time to time to present a current TDA certificate of registration for their scale(s).
11. Only locally-grown or locally-produced items may be offered for sale. Local shall be defined as any location within a 60 mile radius of the market.
12. Growers who use the market for sale of produce are subject to field inspections to verify the source of produce offered for sale.

13. Producers may sell farm and food products including (but not limited to): fruit, vegetables, dairy, meat, nuts, cut flowers, plants, cheese, cider, jams, jellies, relishes, honey, canned goods and baked goods.
14. It is the responsibility of each vendor to abide by all state and federal regulations which govern the production, harvest, preparation, preservation, labeling and/or safety of products offered for sale at the market. Vendors are liable for their own products. The City of Sulphur Springs shall not be held liable for the products offered by vendors. Product and liability insurance are the responsibility of the producer.
15. Vendors must present their products in a professional and clean manner. Selling spaces must be kept clean and neat. Failure to comply with this requirement may, at the discretion of the Market Manager, result in the termination of selling privileges.
16. All products must be of high quality. Repeated complaints about quality of a vendor's product may result in termination of selling privileges.
17. All arts or crafts must be handmade or original items by the artist.
18. Sale, use or possession of alcoholic beverages or drugs is prohibited.
19. The sale of live animals is not permitted.
20. Spaces are approximately 10' x 13' and will be strictly enforced during peak seasons. Spaces are assigned each week. Priority is given to Vendors who attend the market on a regular basis. The Market Manager will assign all selling spaces.
21. Vendors may not sub-lease any part of their selling space
22. The Market Manager or his/her designated agent shall have supervision and control of the activities of the market and the designated market area, and as such has full responsibility for enforcing all rules and regulations as set forth herein.
23. Vendors must be fourteen years of age or older. Younger children are welcome and are encouraged to participate, but must be accompanied by an adult responsible for the child's conduct and safety.
24. Fraudulent, dishonest, or deceptive merchandising, disruptive behavior, or collusion to set prices among vendors shall, at the discretion of the Market Manager, result in the termination of selling privileges.
25. Vendors shall be solely responsible at all times for the cleanliness within their vending area regardless of the origin of the debris in that location. Each vendor is required to leave the space clean at the end of the day. Failure to do so could result in a charge of \$50.00 for clean up expenses. Vendors are not allowed to dump wastewater in storm drains or the street gutters.
26. All vendors shall be set up no later than 7:45 a.m. and ready to do business when the market opens at 8 a.m. No vendor shall set up before 6:30 a.m. At the beginning of each market day, vendors must check in with the Market Manager before setting up. Each Vendor shall stop selling by 1 p.m. and have all produce, baked goods, boxes, containers, etc. loaded and removed by 2:00 p.m. All vendors shall remain open for business the entire market day. The Market Manager shall have the authority to change the market hours on special occasions.
27. All Vendors are responsible for payment of any local, state or federal taxes, including sales tax.
28. Vendor parking shall be in designated areas only. Vehicles are not permitted in the market area once the market opens unless by prior approval by Market Manager.

Vendor's Understanding and Acceptance of Rules and Regulations:

I have read and understand the above stated Rules and Regulations for the Main Street Farmers' Market and agree to abide by them. I will have met all local, state and federal health, inspection and licensing requirements prior to selling products at the market.

I do not hold the City of Sulphur Springs or the Market Manager liable for any property damage or personal injury that either my representatives or I may incur while selling at the market. I accept full financial liability for my actions and all products that either I or my representatives sell at the Main Street Farmers' Market.

I further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Sulphur Springs, its officers and agents from and against any and all claims and actions for injury, damage or loss to persons or property or other liabilities or expenses whatsoever, including court cost and attorney's fees, related or arising out of my or my agents' actions, omissions and operations in connection with the Main Street Farmers' Market.

Vendors Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS DOCUMENT WITH ALL REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS, REGISTRATIONS OR LICENSES TO:

JODY PRICE, MARKET MANAGER
125 S. Davis Street
Sulphur Springs, TX 75482
903-439-1189

OFFICE USE ONLY

Accepted By: _____ Date: _____

LIST OF VENDOR'S PRODUCTS OFFERED FOR SALE

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NOTE SPECIALTY ITEMS

(for example: Organic, Locally Grown, Free-Range, Grass-fed, Homemade, Handcrafted, etc.)
