

Wooster's Grove Farmers' Market

Rules and Regulations 2012

Fridays, June 15th thru Oct 19th 1pm-5:30pm

Part I

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1) Eligibility – All persons who actually produce the products for sale such as fruits, vegetables, plants, herbs, soaps, flowers, baked goods, jellies/jam, honey and/or other products produced from own grown products.
- 2) The Wooster's Grove Farmers Market participates in Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) for WIC and Senior Citizens' nutrition programs. All rules applicable to FMNP must be adhered to. This year we may also be accepting Food Stamps where applicable. This is contingent upon our being accepted as a vendor to the food stamp program.
- 3) Wooster's Grove Farmers Market Manager or Village Manager may visit any farm or establishment used by you (including but not limited to mills, storage and processing facilities, and smokehouse) during normal working hours (8 a.m. – 5 p.m.) as often as needed to verify compliance with Farmers' Market Regulations.
- 4) Allowances for Re-Sale: Items purchased for re-sale may be offered if the farmer's current supply is either late in coming or has run out. Fruit and Produce offered for sale must be grown, harvested and cared for by a local/regional farmer/processor. Honey and bee products extracted and bottled by you from your own hives within the region. Jams and preserves prepared by you from fresh produce. If no one at the market makes their own jams or preserves, a vendor may bring the item into the market providing it is from the Hudson Valley. Fruits not grown in this region may be purchased fresh providing it may be grown locally. Non-regional products may constitute up to 15% of your display. Proper permits and labeling are required. Baked goods will be fresh baked and, where appropriate, will contain local fruits or vegetables. No commercially canned fruit or vegetables may be used. Baked goods displays that are unwrapped must be covered and protected from the environment at all times. Wrapped baked goods must be labeled in accordance with State law.
- 5) Health Regulations: All vendors participating in the Wooster's Grove Market must comply with the sanitary rules and regulations of local, state and federal health departments.
- 6) Hold-Harmless Clause and Insurance: All authorized vendors participating in the market shall be responsible to the Market and the Village of Walden for any loss, personal injury, deaths, and/or any other damage that may occur as a result of the vendors' negligence or that of its agents and employees. Because no insurance is provided to participants in the Market, each vendor must carry his/her own product liability insurance and will supply the market manager with a copy to the market.

Part II

APPEARANCE AND OPERATIONAL CLAUSE:

1. Area of operation should be clean and professional -tent required.
2. Business Name will be clearly displayed.
3. Products are to be well defined and clearly marked. Displayed and un-displayed items must be advertised (I.E. chalk board, white board or printed listing) with prices. This will inform consumer of all products sold by producer.
4. Vendor spaces will be predetermined. A space is defined as measuring 12' by 24' for vegetable and fruit farmers and 12' by 12' for all others. The designation and allocation of vending spaces shall be the responsibility of the Market Manager.
5. Fees: The stall fee schedule will be determined annually. Fees collected will be used for operating expenses and to advertise and promote the market. Each stall will be \$15.00 per space or \$40.00 a month if paid in the beginning of each month.
6. Wooster's Grove Farmers Market is a rain or shine market. This requires vendors to participate despite weather conditions. Only the Market Manager has the right to cancel the market on any given day. If a vendor cannot attend due to weather conditions, a **call** must be made to manager by 8:30am.
7. Hours of operation are 1pm to 5:30pm. All Vendors must arrive on-site at least 30 minutes prior to opening and ready to serve public 10 minutes prior to market opening.
8. The Market Manager has the right to deny applications and/or cancel any current participating vendor from the Wooster's Grove Farmers Market based on the needs of the market.