



2009

NORTHVILLE FARMERS' MARKET RULES & REGULATIONS

Sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce

- The 2009 Northville Farmers' Market will run every Thursday, May 7 through Oct. 29. (26 weeks) Hours are 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Vendors must be completely cleaned up and gone by 5:00 PM.
- All vendor vehicles must be out of the Market area by 7:30 AM. Setting up or restocking stalls must be done by hand cart or wagons after 7:30. **NO MOVING VEHICLES!** If the Market Master officially closes the Market due to threatening weather or an emergency situation, vehicles may enter to load after customers are safely out of the area.
- No early departures. Once you have committed to the Market, you are required to stay until 3:00. Vendors moving vehicles into the Marketplace to load before 3:00 will receive one verbal warning. For each violation thereafter, the vendor will be fined \$25.00.
- Vendor parking is across Center Street (Sheldon Road) in the Northville Downs lot—in the gravel area only. After one warning, vendors parking in the customer lot will be fined \$25.00. If you have special needs, please discuss them with the Market Master.
- Your customers may not drive into the Marketplace for pick up. There is a **PICK UP** area provided off the exit drive. There is **NO STOPPING OR PARKING** on Center Street, 7 Mile Rd. for merchandise pick-up—by police order. A \$25.00 fine will be assessed to any vendor loading merchandise into an illegally stopped vehicle.
- Our market offers two types of stalls:
 - **SEASONAL**—attend the Market every week for a minimum of 20 weeks during the season. Stall spaces are assigned for the whole season.
 - **DAILY**—attend the Market occasionally. Stall assignment is made by the Market Master after 7:00 AM according to space availability and sign-in time. Daily vendors may call the Market Master ahead of time for availability information.
- **2009 FEES:**
 - SEASONAL:** \$300.00 – paid with application
Seasonal applications received after the March 1 deadline will be charged a \$20.00 non-refundable late fee to be included with your payment of fees.
 - DAILY:** \$30.00 – Paid on site
There will be a \$10.00 non-refundable jury fee for all DAILY applicants, payable with your application.
- **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MARCH 1, 2009.** Late seasonal applications will be charged a \$20.00 late fee.
- A seasonal vendor who withdraws from the Market before June 1 may be eligible for a refund. If eligible, the refund will be pro-rated at the daily rate. The final decision will be made by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.
- The Market Master/Northville Chamber of Commerce may exclude from the Market any vendor who fails to comply with the rules and regulations of the Market, or who exhibits inappropriate behavior, speech or dress. No refund will be issued under these circumstances.

- Seasonal stalls that are not occupied by 7:00 AM become available for rental to daily vendors. Please notify the Market Master if you will be absent or late.
- **Michigan-made Michigan-grown** is our Market policy. The following products are permitted for sale and must be made or grown by the participating vendor:
 - Plants, flowers, fruits and vegetables.
 - Food items – must have original license, display it on site, and send a copy with your application.
 - Michigan honey & honey products
 - Original artwork, clothing and handcrafted items. A limited number of stalls are available. All art work will be juried ahead of time. Please submit 3 photos of your work with the application. No manufactured goods allowed.
 - Eggs – properly licensed and in approved containers
 - Florists may bring flowers purchased from a wholesaler. Priority will be given to those who grow their own plants.
 - Exceptions to the products listed above must be submitted in writing and approved by the Chamber of Commerce Farmers’ Market Board.
- Vendors are responsible for their own sales taxes, licenses, fees and permits for operation, and will abide by all local, state and federal laws.
- Food & drink vendors at our Market are required to wear shirts with sleeves.
- You may not sublease or share your assigned stall.
- All vendors must keep their area clean and dispose of their trash before leaving.
- Displays /trucks may not block the view of nearby spaces. There will be no storage for racks behind the building. All racks must be kept in your truck or in your stall. They may not block the view of other stalls.
- Vendors shall be required to maintain their space so as to provide for the safety of all customers, and shall not hold the Northville Chamber of Commerce responsible for any injuries sustained during Market hours.
- A cooperative “team” spirit helps make our Market a success. Questions or criticism regarding another vendor’s product, display, pricing, etc...should be directed to the Market Master first, followed by a written complaint to the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Open criticism or accusations to other vendors or customers is not acceptable, and may lead to suspension or dismissal from the Market.
- Seasonal vendors will be listed, with pictures, on our Northville Chamber of Commerce Farmers’ Market web site at www.northville.org.
- The Northville Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to reject a vendor application if, in the Market Master’s judgment the goods and merchandise do not comply with the overall concept of the Market.
- Application deadline is March 1, 2009. If accepted to the Market, you will receive stall assignments, information and maps by mid-April.

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