

Locust Parks & Recreation Department

2023 Farmers' Market Application

Locust Farmers' Market

Hosted by the City of Locust

Tuesdays from 4:30 pm-7:30 pm and Thursdays from 8:00 am-1:00 pm, May 2nd-October 26th

Please complete and return page 1 only, using one of the options below:

- Mail to P.O. Box 190, Locust, NC 28097
- Drop off at City Hall (186 Ray Kennedy Drive, Locust, NC, 28097)
- Scan and email to events@locustnc.com

Business Information					
Business/Farm Name:					
Mailing Address:					
Phone:					
Email:					
Vebsite:					
Best way to contact you:			Best way to contact you:		
Products (Please give a description of please provide pictures or link to we	of your farm and products you intend to ebsite)	sell. If non-food items,			
By signing below, you confirm that y	ou have read and agree to the terms ar	nd conditions of the Locust			
Farmer's Market. Please sign and re	turn with application to the City of Locu	ist.			
Signature	Print Name	Date			
City of Locust Approval:					



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Terms and Conditions

- 1. The Market will be open on Tuesdays from 4:30 pm-7:30 pm and Thursdays from 8:00 am 1:00 pm from May 2nd until October 26th, weather permitting. Market dates and hours can be extended for special events if needed, with prior approval from the City of Locust. Vendors can participate in both Tuesday evening and Thursday afternoon markets, or choose just one or the other.
- 2. Vendors must pay a \$5/week fee. This covers Tuesday evening and Thursday afternoon. This can be paid to the City of Locust at the start of the market. If preferred, vendors can pay for the whole season at once, for \$130 (\$5/week for 26 weeks).
- 3. New vendors or vendors with any major changes to their farms that are selling fruits and vegetables will have a farm visit by the NC Cooperative Extension staff. This should be done at least one week before vendor plans on selling at market. Call the Stanly County Cooperative Extension at 704-983-3987 to set up an appointment. The vendors must provide proof of inspection.
- 4. Vendors must grow their own produce or create their own crafts, etc., within 25 miles of Stanly County to be eligible for participation.
- 5. Vendors selling any processed foods must provide a Tax ID number.
- 6. All vendors may only sell items that have been listed on their application and approved by the City of Locust.
- 7. All Vendors vehicles are to be parked as instructed by the City of Locust employees.
- 8. Selling out of a vehicle or trailer is only allowed on the far side of the market, unless otherwise instructed by a City of Locust employee. No cars should be parked on the roadside of the market.
- 9. All products MUST be of high quality. Products should be displayed on a portable table provided by the vendor in an appealing manner. Baskets or other appropriate containers for fruits and vegetables may be displayed around the table on the floor. Larger items such as pumpkins and melons, may be displayed directly on the floor.
- 10. We will not allow the selling of live animals, flea market items, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco products.
- 11. Prices MUST be posted at all times.
- 12. Signs, which have been approved by a City of Locust employee, may be placed by the roadside during market hours.
- 13. *MUST arrive at least 15 minutes prior to selling time, but no earlier than one hour prior to selling time, unless previous arrangements have been made with City of Locust staff. You must stay until closing, weather permitting. Vendors who sell out may leave early, if they choose and are able to pack up and leave without causing disruption to surrounding vendors.*
- 14. Anyone using scales must have them inspected but the NCDA before grower can use them at the market.
- 15. The use of tobacco, vapes and alcohol are not permitted in the market.
- 16. All vendors must conduct themselves in a professional manner. The Locust Farmer's Market is in such close proximity to schools and homes and a zero tolerance policy will be observed. Profanity will not be tolerated. We want to keep this market a friendly atmosphere that attracts customers, therefore



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we expect our vendors to be as clean, courteous, and friendly as possible. Any vendor who continues to make derogatory comments about other vendors to market patrons will be asked to leave.

- 17. Vendors can sell products for any price they choose. Vendors are not to ask others to increase their prices as this is a "free market" and items can be sold at the price deemed appropriate by each vendor. Prices must be posted for all items.
- 18. Any complaints, disputes, or violations of these terms and conditions may be taken by voice or in writing to the Parks and Recreation employees or the City of Locust office. Complaints should be handled either before the market opens or after the market closes, so as not to interrupt market sales. Three violations of the Locust Farmer's Market's terms and conditions and/or excessive unfounded complaints, as determined by the City of Locust, may result in suspension or loss of selling privileges.
- 19. The seller is responsible for cleaning up and removing trash around his/her space and maintaining safety in the area. Selling privileges will be revoked from those who do not clean up and remove trash at the end of the selling day or who do not adhere to the Farmer's Market terms and conditions.

Compliance with the Farmers' Market Rules

The City of Locust reserves the right to modify or change the terms and conditions as it becomes necessary.

General Control

The City of Locust shall have the general control and supervision of the market, the buildings, the parking lot, and the adjoining areas. The City of Locust and/or the Market Coordinator shall collect all fees from vendors and users prior to the market opening.

Denial

The City of Locust has the authority to deny any person the privilege of operating on the markets. He/she is required to remove any vendor using methods that are detrimental to attendance at the markets or contrary to the market's policies.

Removal

The City of Locust shall have the authority to order/remove any person or dispossess any vendor from the market for any violation of these market terms and conditions, or who may be guilty of violating ordinances of the city, county, or state law, or who fails to obey any lawful orders of the City of Locust.

Contacts

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