

Miami County Farmers' Market Guidelines 2018

Mission:

The mission of the Miami County Farmers' Market is to provide a venue for local farmers, gardeners, crafters, bakers, and artisans to offer a variety of fresh produce and related products to the residents of Miami County. Provide an educational forum for consumers to learn the uses and benefits of consuming quality locally grown and prepared food products. Provide an environment for community activity fostering social gathering and interaction.

Where and When:

The Market will operate on North Broadway starting at 5th Street running north to the alley. As we fill that block then we will run east on 5th Street. Times of operation will be from 10 am 2 pm starting the first Saturday in June (June 2) and running to the last Saturday in September (Sept. 29)

Setup:

1. Vendors will be allowed a 12x12 foot space unless more is specified.
2. Vendors will setup in areas designated by the Market Master.
3. Vendors will not be allowed to work from their vehicles. Vehicles will have to be unloaded and then park at the parking area just east of TJ Phillips building.
4. Vendors will provide their own tables, chairs, and canopies. No electricity provided.
5. In order to project a uniform look all vendors will be required to be under a canopy. This can be discussed at our meeting. Canopies might not be necessary except if needed due to inclement weather.
6. Restroom facilities will be provided in the Miami County Museum.

Regulations:

1. The total number of active vendors will be capped at 20. The Market Master will hold applications over 20 to fill in for vendors vacancy.
2. The Market Master has the right to refuse any vendor or item that is not in keeping with standards of quality, appropriateness, or licensing rules.
3. The Market Master has the right to inspect a vendor's product prior to being accepted as a qualified vendor.

4. The following are not permitted: pets, **vendor smoking**, alcohol, loud music, disruptive behavior, religious and political materials.
5. Vendors will only sell what they have made, baked, grown, or processed themselves (i.e. honey, maple syrup, sorghum, molasses).
6. Produce vendors may sell excess produce from a non-vendor's garden. A non-vendor must reside in Miami County. The Market Master reserves the right to inspect any non-vendor's production practices.
7. A vendor will notify the Market Master when their load contains non-vendor produce.
8. No flea market, yard sale, or items for resale will be sold. No live animals will be sold (chickens, pigs, rabbits, ferrets, birds, etc.). No dairy products (cheeses, raw milk, etc).
9. Butchered frozen poultry or domestic rabbits can be sold in accordance with **Title 410 IAC 7-25** and **IC 16-42-5-29**.
10. Only processed foods packaged and complying with sections **A** and **B** of **IC 16-41-5-29** will be allowed (copy attached).
11. A few commercial vendors may be allowed with Miami County food permits. **12.** Vendors who bring minors to the market will be responsible for their conduct.
13. Each vendor will be responsible for policing their area of any trash.
14. Weather will be monitored before and during the Market day. If weather poses a threat, the market will move inside the Miami County Museum. This information will be posted on our Facebook page.
15. Personal liability insurance is not required, but is strongly suggested. However; the Miami County Chamber of Commerce will procure liability insurance for the Market.
16. A vendor may change their level of participation once during the Market year.
17. It is recommended that each vendor display signage, business card, or placard displaying your name/business, address.
18. Although the Market doesn't pay any rent, we have been asked to provide a donation at the end of the season. The Market Master will collect \$1.00 weekly from each vendor space. Only those vendors in weekly attendance will be collected. This procedure is to ensure a fair donation for all.