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Memo

To: Dedham Farmers Market Food Vendors
From: Kylee Sullivan, Health Director
Date: February 13, 2024
RE: General Food Vendor Requirements at the Farmers Market

Dear Dedham Farmers Market Food Vendors,

The enclosed Dedham Farmers Market application must be completed and submitted to the Dedham Health Department with a \$50 permit fee no later than Friday, May 17, 2024 to be eligible for the first Farmers Market on Wednesday, June 12, 2024. Vendors submitting applications for start dates after June 12th must submit applications at least two weeks prior to their anticipated start date.

As a reminder, below are general food safety practices that must also be followed during the Farmers Market:

- Food vendors must ensure they have working thermometers to take temperatures of temperature-controlled food. Time/temperature controlled for safety food must be maintained at 41°F or below, or at 135°F or above, during transportation to the Market and throughout the duration of the Market.
- Gloves and hand-washing facilities must be available and used. Gloves must be changed, and hands must be washed when switching between tasks (i.e., serving food and handling payments).
- If using ice, the ice cannot directly touch food product and there must be enough ice available for the duration of the Market.
- Product ingredients must be available for public review either through labeled packages or a list of ingredients posted at the vendor booth.

Permitted vendors can provide food samples during the Farmers Market. Below please find best practices that must be followed when providing food samples.

- Prepare samples in your permitted kitchen prior to arriving at the Market. For example, cut baked goods into pieces at your permitted kitchen, place them on a tray, insert a toothpick in each piece, and keep the tray covered for transport to, and while at, the Market.
- Protect food samples from customer contamination. No customer self-service.
- Use toothpicks, wax paper, paper sampling cups, or disposable utensils to distribute samples and prevent direct contact with food products.
- Temperature control must be maintained for items needing refrigeration until the food is consumed or discarded.
- Sauces and condiments must be self-contained squeeze bottles, sealed packs, or in single-service containers with lids.
- Sample product ingredient lists must be available for public review.
- Leftover food samples must be discarded at the end of the Market.

Questions or concerns can be directed to the Dedham Health Department at (781) 751-9220.



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Farmer's Market Permit

Fee: \$50.00

Establishment's:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone #: _____
 Contact person: _____
 Phone #: _____
 Emergency #: _____

Applicants:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone #: _____
 Emergency #: _____

Dates of Operation: _____

If a corporation or partnership, provide name, title, and home address of officers or partners:

Name	Title	E-mail

The following must be submitted with the application:

- Product label
- Allergen Awareness
- Serve Safe Certification
- Copy of establishment's license/permit
- List of items to be sold
- Information of how hand washing and temperature will be maintained
- How and where restrooms will be provided

By signing you are confirming that you have read and understand the Town of Dedham regulations pertaining to the food code (105 CMR 590.000). You also agree to abide by these regulations set forth by the Town of Dedham Board of Health. If your establishment is in non-compliance of these regulations you may have your permit suspended indefinitely.

 Applicant/Owners Signature

 Date

 FID# or SS#