

Dickson County Farmers Market Association

2018 Vendor Application Open Application Period April 24-August 15

Please read and complete the entire application. If there is a part that does not apply to your operation please mark as N/A.

Submit completed application and applicable certificates via one of the following methods:

1. *In person* to a board member of the Dickson County Farmers Market Association at the market currently located at Country View Market, 3368 Hwy 48 N, Charlotte, TN. Board member names are listed at the end of the application.
2. *Email to* DicksonCtyFarmersMarketAssoc@gmail.com

Applications will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and the applicant will be notified regarding approval status and payment can be made. Vendor fees will be **\$75 for the 2018 season.**

Name _____

Farm/Business Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ County _____

Home Phone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Have you been a vendor at the DCFMA Market before? If yes please include the last year you participated.
_____ **yes, in 20** _____ **No, this is my first application.** _____

If yes, what did you sell in previous years at the market? _____

Address where products are grown/produced if different than home address.

(All products must come from Dickson County or a bordering county. (Houston, Humphreys, Montgomery, Williamson, Hickman, Cheatham)

What specific items do you intend to sell at the market? (Attach additional page if needed.)

There are many regulations and laws associated with the sale of farm based products. Have you made an effort to familiarize yourself with any laws or regulations that may apply to your products?

_____ **Yes I have.** _____ **No I haven't**

The following link has Tennessee Department of Agriculture State Compliance Guide for Farmers Markets:

<https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/agriculture/documents/agadvancement/AgFarFMRules.pdf>

Individual liability insurance is strongly *recommended* for all vendors by the Dickson County Farmers Market Association. A policy that covers incidents off the farm in case of injury or property damage would benefit all parties involved at the market.

Please list anyone who will represent/assist you with sales at the market.

List any of your products that are certified organic: _____

Release, waiver, and assumption of risk:

I FURTHER AGREE NOT to hold the Dickson County Farmers Market Association or its representatives responsible for any damages arising out of sales of my product(s) or from my presence on the market site.

All vendors participating in the Dickson County Farmers Market Association shall be individually and severally responsible to Dickson County Farmers Market Association, its board, officers, members, and volunteers for any loss, personal injury, deaths, and/or any other damage that may occur as a result of the vendor's participation in the market, or that of its representatives, agents, etc.

All vendors hereby agree to indemnify and save Dickson County Farmers Market Association harmless from any loss, cost, damages, and other expenses, including attorney fees, suffered or incurred by reason of the vendors' participation in the market.

By signing this document I certify that I have read the rules and procedures attached to this application, and the above waiver. I understand the rules and procedures and agree to abide by them.

Signed _____ Date _____

Board Members for the 2018 Market Season are:

1. David Dewese- Maple Springs Farm
2. Meg Edwards- Heritage Glen Farm
3. Susan Harbison – Peach Creek Nursery
4. Brian Eash - BKFarm
5. Jerry Pangle – Pangle's Produce

If you have additional questions please contact one of the following people and they will be happy to help.

Meg Edwards- 615 740-5254 or email to heritageglenfarm@aol.com

Jerry Pangle 931 296-3446 or email to patpangle@yahoo.com

Dickson County Farmers Market Association (DCFMA)

2018 Rules and Procedures – Please detach this page and keep for reference.

1. DCFMA is a producer only market. No products can be bought and re-sold. A vendor must agree to allow a representative of the DCFMA rules committee accompanied by either an officer or a board member to inspect the farm or home upon request to verify that the vendor is growing/producing all products offered for sale.
2. All vendors must submit an application to be approved by the board. Upon approval a \$75.00 season fee will be deposited in the DCFMA account at Regions Bank. Vendor booth location assignment will be made by the board.
3. A current state certification and a copy of your last inspection must be attached for any of the following certificates. Certificates are required for the following:

a) plants

b) organically grown produce

c) meat (beef, lamb, pork, goat, etc), including pet food

d) low acid and acidified foods (including pickles,
other pickled vegetables and salsa)

The application is incomplete without these and will not be processed. You must comply with state regulations as follows or you will not be permitted to sell.

4. Vendors who manufacture non-potentially hazardous foods such as baked goods, candy, jams and jellies must label products with:
 - The name and place of business of the manufacturer
 - An accurate statement of the quantity of contents in term of weight, measure or count.
 - The common name of the food.
 - In case it is fabricated from two or more ingredients, the common or usual name of ingredients in descending order of weight.
 - If the food product contains one of the eight major food allergens (milk, eggs, fish, Crustacean Shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat and soy) that ingredient must be shown on the label.

This does not include low acid canned vegetables or acidified food which cannot be sold without proper certification.

It is the responsibility of the vendor to adhere to all food safety rules and regulations both state and federal.

5. A vendor or their registered representative must sell all products. A vendor may not act as a broker for another vendor and thus sell another producers products.
6. Only individuals may apply for active participation as a vendor (no co-ops, partnerships, etc)
7. Each vendor will be required to participate in the functioning and maintenance of market business by serving on a committee.
8. At market close vendors are responsible for cleaning up the immediate area around their space. Due to the nature of our outside market, vendors may not leave until closing time.
9. Vendors will not reduce prices or give away free products at the end of the market day unless it is to other vendors.
10. Scales will be certified to be accurate by an official of the Weights and Measures Division of Tennessee Department of Agriculture. All scales must be 'for trade' scales in order to pass certification.
11. Vendor displays should be professional, appropriate and aesthetically pleasing.
12. Live animals of any kind cannot be sold at the market.
13. Vendor spaces will be assigned by the board based on the type of product sold, to enhance a beneficial flow of customers to all market vendors. The vendor booth assignments are non-negotiable.
14. Use of alcohol, tobacco or E-cigs/vaping is prohibited in vendor stalls.
15. Vendors who choose to bring minors to the market assume all responsibility for the safety and behavior of those minors. **Failure to comply with any of the above rules may result in exclusion from the market.**