

Tri-Town Farmers' Market 2023

1. The markets run June-Sept Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday's, Winter Market Shall Run Nov- April on Sunday's
Members should notify the market manager if they will not attend a market so their spot can be filled for that said market day.
2. Every vendor represented at the market must be paid in full before the start of the Market; non-refundable dues (\$150 per season per location for Summer Markets and \$125 per season for Winter Markets) must be paid in full to the Treasurer before selling at the market. Day vendor fee: a fee of \$25 will be charged for a vendor participating in only one market day during the season. Day vendors are subject to the same application process as regular Vendors. If the market is canceled for weather, the market fees will not be refunded. Vendors requesting double space will be subject to approval by the board. Pricing and discounts may vary by vendor type.
3. Vendors must have an application and copies of all appropriate insurance(s) and applicable licenses at their booth and on file with the TTFM before selling at the market. Each vendor is liable for the safety of their own products and their certificate of general liability insurance should list the TTFM: Town of Wells 1434 Post Road Wells, ME 04090. Town of North Berwick 31 Main St. North Berwick, ME 03906 or Central School 197 Main St. South Berwick, ME 03908 as the insured location(s). Winter Market attendee's will need to list Marshwood Greatworks School 49 Academy Street,, South Berwick, ME 03908 All Vendors are to carry \$1,000,000 general liability insurance.
4. All vendors must have a sign displaying their farm or business name and location. Vendors must strive to maintain a clean and attractive display. Vendors must leave their sites "broom clean" at the end of each market day and may not leave or break down before the close of market.
5. Vendors are expected to participate in the market site set up and break down and sign set up and take down.
6. All prices must be displayed clearly and only products listed on their application may be sold or displayed.
7. The State Scale and Product Inspector may inspect your scale and check for safe food handling compliance and licenses at any time.
8. Vendors must adhere to the Maine State statutes governing Farmers' Markets (Title 7, subsection 415) and the TTFM By-laws.
9. Any vendors can be expelled from the market for non-compliance with market rules. Expulsion may be challenged in accordance with TTFM by-laws
10. Vendors may set up no earlier than 2:00pm and must have their vehicles moved to the designated Vendor parking area by 2:45pm for North and South Berwick Markets. Wells Vendors may set up at 12:30pm and must have their vehicles moved by 1:15pm (If there are special circumstances vendors must get an approved change in parking by the market manager in advance. Winter Markets shall run 10am-1pm with set up starting at 9am

11. Vendors must abide by local, state and federal food regulations and acquire licensing or certification required for products sold in Maine. Vendors are responsible for being aware of and complying with regulations relevant to products they are selling.
12. Vendor Pet Policy: With the exception of service animals, due to liability TTFM will ask that all vendors not bring their pets to the market. Customers will be allowed to bring leashed, friendly pets pending on the specific location rules.
13. The market board reserves the right to make changes and exceptions to all rules as they see fit but this is expected to occur rarely.
14. By participating in the Tri-Town market you agree to allow us to use your photograph for market promotion including printed material and social media.

Produce

*All produce, fruit and flowers must be grown or wild gathered by the vendor. Buying products for resale at the market is prohibited. You may bring in local produce that you did not grow only if the following are met:

The product is Maine grown.

The product is less than 25% of the vendors offerings that day

No other member is selling the same product

The Product is clearly labeled where it is sourced from

*All harvest, post-harvest, transportation and display handling must comply with the State guidelines for food safety.

*Any pesticide applications should comply with label directions for application rate, target crop and pest and post application harvest periods in order to maintain the highest quality and safety of our customers. After April 1, 2015, the use of any pesticides on agricultural products intended for human consumption requires that the user hold a valid Maine State pesticide applicator's license.

Plants and Nursery Stock

*All plant material must be grown by the vendor. Buying finished or pre finished product for resale at the market is prohibited

*All vendors selling plant material must have a Maine Nursery License on hand and on file with the TTFM.

*Plant material must be of the highest quality. Products with insects or diseases are prohibited for sale and will be cause for expulsion from the market.

Animal Products

*All meats, seafood, dairy products and eggs must be raised or caught by the vendor. Buying products for resale at the market is prohibited.

*All dairy products must have been processed by the vendor in a compliant facility.

*All meat, seafood, dairy and egg producers must have all appropriate licenses on hand and on file with the TTFM

*All meats, seafood, dairy products and eggs must be packaged, labeled, transported and displayed in accordance to Maine Ag food Safety Guidelines and stored with proper temperature control and monitoring.

Processed Foods

*All baked or processed goods must have been made from scratch by the vendor. No commercially frozen, canned or pre-mixed ingredients are allowed

*All processing facilities or home kitchens must have a Maine State kitchen license. A mobile vendor license must be on hand and on file with the TTFM.

*All products of home-processed or baked items should use fresh products grown by the vendor or harvested by a local farmer whenever possible.

*Honey, cider and maple syrup must be raised or wild gathered by the vendor.

Wool, Fiber and Wood Products

*All wool and fiber raw materials must be raised and produced by the vendor or purchased from a local farm.

*All wood products must be raised by the producer or purchased from a local tree farm.

*All wool, fiber and wood products should be labeled with the source of the product.

Crafts and Homemade Items

*Crafts are not allowed as a true “producer” farmers’ market. However, soaps and skin care products, dried flower wreaths and arrangements, beeswax products and other intermediates may be permissible. The TTFM board will decide on any gray area crafts on a case-by-case basis but should be encouraged to honor the spirit of our market primarily oriented toward the promotion of locally grown and processed foods, firstly.