## **Rise Farm CSA Member Agreement**

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a partnership between the farmer and you, the shareholder, with both parties sharing the bounty, as well as some risks of agricultural production. This agreement outlines our shared commitments to that relationship.

### Section 1: Introduction of Rise Farm CSA

## A) Becoming a member - Farm Pick Up

Members will receive a weekly share as described below. Members are responsible for picking up shares each week at the farm store after 9am (409 Osborne Corner Road, Dawson Settlement, NB E4H 2A7). Variety and quantity of shares will vary each week depending on the season and weather conditions.

## B) Becoming a member - Home Delivery

Members will receive a weekly share as described below. Members are responsible upon registration to provide contact information and the requested delivery location. Deliveries will occur once per week on Fridays beginning at 9am. We can not guarantee what time we will be in your area, so if you are not able to be home at the time of delivery you are responsible to communicate with us and leave a cooler out.

### C) Rise Farm's Growing Practices

Rise Farm is committed to using regenerative, sustainable practices. We are a human-scale farm, meaning all the field work is done with hand tools. The farm celebrates the satisfaction of human work and in return benefits from the increased care and attention to detail it provides. Row covers are used on crops to protect them against insects and pests so we do not have to spray our crops with harmful chemicals. Crop variation and rotation is used to encourage biodiversity on the farm so we can have symbiotic relationships between microorganisms, plants, and animals.

We believe you have the right to know how your food is grown and get from our field to your table. If you have any questions, we are here for you. We also welcome our members to visit the farm and take a tour upon request. Let us know if you would like to schedule a visit.

#### Section 2: CSA Details

A) Harvest Season for CSA - 16 weeks - Starting late June until mid-October.

- B) Members are able to select their products Monday and Tuesday every week via our email newsletter. If members do not select specific items by Tuesday at midnight, we will pick a selection for you.
- C) Box Contents:

Please refer to our CSA Harvest Calendar.

### Section 3: Our Shared Commitments

A) Sharing the risk of crop failure:

We promise to do our best to provide you with a bountiful share each week. We use irrigation, row covers, integrated pest management, and other sustainable practices to minimize the risk of crop loss. Despite these efforts, the quantity of produce may vary from week to week throughout the season due to extreme weather, insects or other production factors. By joining our CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us.

If only a small portion of crops fail, other crops grown on the farm will be available for our CSA members. In the unlikely event that a large portion of crops fail (due to hail damage, for example) we may not be able to deliver any produce for an unknown time period.

B) Sharing the reward of crop surplus:

With our diversified crop portfolio and a good harvest season, you can expect to receive additional products in your order.

### Section 4: Communication

A) Please contact us with any news of the following: Changes to contact information, any week you are unable to pick up your share/won't be home if delivery, dissatisfaction with your share, or anything else you need us for - The best way to reach us is via text or call (506) 232-1032 or (506) 878-0519, or email <a href="mailto:risefarminfo@gmail.com">risefarminfo@gmail.com</a>. We will respond within 24 hours.

We will primarily communicate with you by email. When you register for your CSA, you will automatically be registered for our weekly newsletter, which we will use to communicate important information for CSAs, events, and other farm related news. In the weekly newsletter, we will list the vegetable options available for that week for your selection.

# Section 5: Agreement

A) Upon placing your order for the CSA membership, you agree to the terms listed above.

Thank you for becoming a member of our farm and supporting local food security!