

# Rules of the Pittsboro Farmers' Market

1. Annual membership fee is \$45.00. Members are required to pay a \$7.00 daily parking fee. One free parking day will be awarded to market members attending the Spring Business Meeting.
2. New vendors must submit their application, pay the membership fee plus a \$25 non-refundable farm inspection fee, and have their farm inspected at least two weeks prior to their first selling day at the market.
3. The Board reserves the right to re-inspect any member but must give a two week notice.
4. The spring meeting will be held on the first Monday in March and the fall meeting will be held on the first Monday in November.
5. Vacancies on the Board will be filled at the member meetings.
6. The market will open the first Thursday in April and will continue until the Thursday before Thanksgiving.
7. The market will open from 3:30 until 6:30 pm. on Thursdays at the Chatham County Fairgrounds.
8. You must make or produce what you sell within a 50-mile radius of the market.
9. Products that can be sold are:
  - o Vegetables grown from seeds, sets, or seedlings
  - o Fruits, nuts, or berries grown on land owned or leased by the seller
  - o Plants grown by the seller from seed, seedling, transplant or cutting
  - o Bulbs propagated by the seller
  - o Eggs produced from the seller's hens
  - o Meats from animals raised by the seller
  - o Dairy products from animals raised by and made by the seller
  - o Honey produced from the seller's bees
  - o Cut or dried flowers grown by the seller
  - o Firewood cut by the seller
  - o Straw baled by the seller
  - o Preserves, pickles, relishes, jams and jellies made by the seller
  - o Baked goods baked by the seller
  - o Wine or beer produced by licensed sellers
10. No low-acid canned foods such as green beans, corn, peas, carrots, etc., may be sold. In addition, no canned tomato products may be sold.
11. All products must be of top quality.

12. All products produced under certification such as organic, licensed meat, poultry, or dairy products or products requiring inspection, such as baked goods or preserves must display certification or license and have a copy on file with the Market Manager.
13. No live animals may be sold or given away at the market.
14. Prices must be posted for all items.
15. Anyone using scales must have them approved by NCDA&CS.
16. The seller is responsible for cleaning up around his/her vehicle and maintaining safety in that area.
17. No partially constructed crafts should be bought and then resold, such as paint-by-the-number or T-shirts (the exception being items such as T-shirts that promote the Pittsboro Farmers' Market or your own farm or cookbooks by the farmer that have been approved by the Market Committee).
18. Crafts should be traditional farm crafts. Craft items should originate on the farm with at least a portion of the materials coming from the seller's property.
19. Baked goods must follow federal, state, and local health regulations.
20. The number of bakers will be determined by the Market Board each year on a case-by-case basis.
21. Complaints, disputes or concerns about violations of the rules must be submitted in writing to the Market Manager. Anonymous complaints will not be accepted. Board members will be informed of the complaint within 24 hours. Repeated violations of the rules of the Pittsboro Farmers' Market may result in suspension or loss of membership. All rules are open to the interpretation of the Board.
22. All market members must conduct themselves in a professional manner and will maintain a membership of good standing.

Applications will be accepted with a check equal to the annual membership fee. The Board will review, complete inspections, and approve each application. Acceptance to the market depends on approved inspection.

A suggestion box will be available at the market. Any written suggestions will be addressed within 30 days. Any resolution will be up to the Market Manager's discretion.