

# Almonte Farmers' Market Vendor Application Form 2023

Vendor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Types of sales: (please check all that apply)**

Produce  Preserves  Crafts  Meat  Prepared food  Baking  Plants  Other

Please provide a detailed list of what you intend to sell. If you wish to add to this list mid-season, you must bring this request to an Executive member. Approval will depend on input from market vendors.

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## **I am applying as a:**

[ ] Seasonal vendor (e.g. raspberry season, pumpkins, perennials in the Spring)

[ ] Full-time vendor (Every week from May 21 to Thanksgiving)

[ ] Occasional vendor Please specify how often \_\_\_\_\_

## **Please review the following list of rules carefully before signing.**

**The Almonte Farmers' Market will give preference to producers who live in Lanark County. Exceptions will be made on a case by case basis.**

- 1) The market is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday of the season. Vendors are expected to be set up for 8:30 a.m. and cannot start breaking down their stall until 12:30 p.m. Selling goods before 8:30 a.m. is prohibited.
- 2) Each vendor is responsible for the safety of market patrons. If a vendor wishes to erect a canopy or umbrella, it must be sufficiently weighted to ensure it does not blow away during high winds. Vendors are also responsible for the security of displays, signs, cords, etc. Anyone using gas fueled appliances must have a fire extinguisher on site. The Almonte Farmers Market is insured through Farmers Markets Ontario, in case of accident.
- 3) Each vendor is responsible for the cleanup of their stall area at the end of each day.
- 4) Full time vendors will pay their seasonal fee of \$175 at the first market. Seasonal vendors will pay \$25/day to the Treasurer, at the beginning of each market.

- 5) There is a probation period of 4 weeks for new vendors. At this point, the Executive shall review the status of each new vendor. The Executive has the authority to dismiss a vendor at this point, providing reason for their dismissal. The applicant will receive a reimbursement less \$25/day for the days attended.
- 6) A maximum of two businesses are allowed per stall. Those sharing a stall will pay an total annual fee of \$290.
- 7) Directors of the Almonte Farmers Market have the right to inspect the premise of each applicant.
- 8) Vendors are not allowed to smoke at their stall.
- 9) We are a producer based market. This means that the producer(s) must be present at market. This means that employees, friends, relatives are not allowed to vend on behalf of the producer(s). Exceptions will be made for sickness, special occasions or other extenuating circumstances.
- 10) A vendor can only re-sell farm goods (i.e fruit, honey, syrup) if no other vendor at the market has the same goods of their own for sale. If re-selling, the goods being sold must be purchased directly from the producer. Crafts and non-perishable items (excluding honey) cannot be re-sold.
- 11) Returning vendors must commit to their attendance in the upcoming market season by February 28.

### **Code of Conduct:**

Each vendor warrants, by virtue of this application, that all produce, crafts, horticultural products and all other products being offered for sale have been produced by them. This warranty is a condition precedent for the acceptance of any vendor.

The Almonte Farmers' Market holds a Basket Draw once a month. Vendors each donate an item of their choice, or a voucher to be redeemed at their stall, to go into the basket.

"Market Bucks", issued by Lanark Local Flavour, are accepted at the Almonte Farmers' Market. These are vouchers worth \$5. Vendors accept these Bucks as cash. At the end of the day, any vendor who has received a Market Buck will trade in their coupons for cash through the Treasurer.

Vendors are expected to show up at market on a consistent basis. Vendors are expected to give as much notice as possible, if they are going to be absent. Regular absences may result in that vendor not returning in the following season.

No vendor or patron of the Almonte Farmers' Market will be subject to harassment, threatening or inappropriate behaviour of any kind. Participants in this behaviour will be given a written warning. If the behaviour continues, that person will be asked to leave the market and not return.

I/We have read and understand the rules and Code of Conduct for vendors of the Almonte Farmers' Market. I/we sign this application accepting that I/we are responsible for abiding by these rules and the Code of Conduct.

I/ We understand that this application will be reviewed by the market, after which time I/we will be notified of my/our acceptance or decline.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

