

North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Robert G. Shaw Piedmont Triad Farmers Market 2914 Sandy Ridge Road, Colfax NC 27523 (336) 605-9157 / <u>www.triadfarmersmarket.com</u> Open every day 7:00 am – 6:00 pm, except Christmas Day

2025 Non-Farmer Operational Guidelines Addendum Effective January 1, 2025

Welcome to the Piedmont Triad Farmers Market! We thank you for choosing the Market to sell your products. The following guidelines have been developed to permit fair and equal opportunity for all vendors and to ensure quality products for buyers. If you have any questions regarding these guidelines, please ask Market Management. Market Management will always take time to address your questions and any concerns you have.

Please know that should any vendor violate these guidelines; Market Management may deny that vendor's operating privileges. The process for addressing violations is outlined in your 2025 All Vendor Guidelines. It is our belief that through the collective endeavor of growers, vendors, customers, management, and staff, we can all enjoy a thriving and prosperous 2025 season. Cheers to a great year ahead!

1) Vendor Application and Certification:

- To obtain Certified Non-Farmer Vendor status, each vendor must apply to Market Management between January 1st and April 30th each year.
 - Applications must specify each product to be sold.
 - When requested by Market Management, potential vendors must provide Market Management with product samples to acquire approval for selling them.
- Following-application submissions, qualifying prospective non-farmer vendors will be contacted to schedule a meeting with Market Management. This meeting is required. The primary purposes of the meeting include:
 - Provide you and Management the opportunity to discuss these guidelines and general information related to the Market in a conversational format.
 - Provide you the opportunity to ask questions directly with Market Management.
 - Provide you the opportunity to learn from Management whether your application is approved.

2) <u>Renting Space:</u>

- Non-Farmer Vendors are *not* assigned space before 7:00 am. If you arrive before 7:00 am, you must remain in the designated waiting area in the gravel parking lot until space assignment rentals begin through the Gatehouse. *If you do not remain in the designated area, you will lose your place in line.*
- After 7:00 AM, any unrented, unoccupied selling space on the Market may be rented by Non-Farmer Vendors.
- After 7:00 AM, Non-Farmer Vendors CANNOT be bumped from any selling space.
- Concession Non-Farmer Vendors are required to rent spaces in the gravel lot west of Farmers' Area 2.