**2017 RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**BRUSSELS FARMERS' MARKET**

Farmers’ Market - The Brussels Farmers’ Market runs from 2 pm to 6 pm every Friday on Turnberry St. opposite the Post Office from May 19 until Sept. 1.

**The following regulations apply to ALL Food vendors.**

All Food vendors, including fruit and vegetable vendors, at the Brussels Farmers’ Market must fill out and are responsible for sending a completed (Health Unit) Market Vendor Application Form directly to the Health Unit two weeks prior to vending. ( Form attached. )

If you do not have an application form and you are a **FOOD** vendor who plans to attend in 2017, please contact the Huron County Health Unit at 519-482-3416 or 1-877 837 6143.

 **Attention ALL Vendors.**

1. All vendors are required to bring their own 10ft. x 10 ft. canopy.
2. All vendors are required to bring suitable water containers or sand bags to hold their canopy in place.

**Due to the International Plowing Match the Market season has been shortened to 16 weeks. The seasonal rates have been changed to reflect this shortened season. See page 3 for daily and seasonal rates.**

**PRODUCTS ALLOWED FOR SALE AT THE FARMER'S:**

1. Homemade baked goods (with production date on packaging)
2. Eggs
3. Honey
4. Maple Syrup
5. Flowers, plants and small shrubs
6. Fruits & Vegetables
7. Homemade Preserves (all food products which are canned, including jams, jellies, pickles, etc. must be packed in new jars sealed with new vacuum lids). All homemade foods must be in appropriate packaging as determined by the Health Unit.
8. Homemade locally produced arts & crafts
9. Fresh Meat, poultry, fish and cheese (from approved and inspected source; refrigerated at less than 5 degrees Celsius and properly maintained and handled while stored, on display and sold, according to Huron County Health Unit requirements).
10. Local value added products

**ALLOCATION OF SPACE**

For vendors who have paid for the season in full, we will do our best to offer designated spots, provided that vendors arrive at least one hour prior to Market opening.

However, there may be factors beyond our control such as inclement weather or special events that may force the market manager to relocate vendors. Space allocation is at the discretion of the Market Coordinator.

**COST OF SPACE**

1. Daily rate for Farmers: $15 per 10 feet by 10 feet space. The minimum daily rate is $15.
2. Vendors who require hydro will be charged $20
3. Seasonal rate for the Farmers’ or Flea Market is $180 per 10 ft. x 10ft. space or $240 with hydro.
4. Please make cheque payable to **BRUSSELS FARMER'S MARKET**
5. One space cannot be shared by two vendors

**VENDOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Vendors are responsible for keeping their market space free from refuse.
2. Empty containers and equipment shall be kept in an orderly fashion and confined to vendor’s market space.
3. It is the vendor’s responsibility to meet the requirements of local health authorities. \* Please refer to the Huron County Health Unit Information Package and Application for Farmers’ Market Food Vendors. If you do not have these they can be obtained by contacting the Huron County Health Unit at the number on page one.
4. Vendors’ are responsible for removing their own garbage after each market day.
5. Do not use public or private trash bins without permission of the owner.
6. Food vendors are required to provide garbage receptacles for patrons.
7. Vendors are required to vacate their space within one hour of the close of the Market.

**MARKET COORDINATOR’S DUTIES**

1. The Market Coordinator will oversee the activities of the Farmers’ Market and collect the fees for space on behalf of the Board. Please give the Market Coordinator your full cooperation. In his/her absence, the acting coordinator will have the same responsibilities.
2. If a vegetable, fruit or other product is not clean and of good quality, the Market Coordinator has the right to advise the vendor that his/her product cannot be offered for sale.
3. Disrespectful and unseemly behavior directed toward the Market Coordinator, other vendors, or customers will not be tolerated.
4. The Market Coordinator, or their designate are empowered to dismiss a vendor from the Market without refund.
5. Property damage caused by a vendor will be paid for at the vendor’s own expense.

**Market Coordinator Contact Information**

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