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OLD McDONALD'S FARMERS MARKETS RULES

All markets are held weekly, raine or shine.

Certified Farmers agree to pay 60 cents for the California Dept. of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) fund for each certificate at each market. This fee will be collected at the close of every market. The market will total these payments and remit these payments to the CDFA.

Producers are defined as a person with proper proof that they are selling food or agricultural products that they themselves grew, caught, collected, raised or made. The market sponsorship through the market management will decide whether any individual meets the definition of producer for this market.

When you attend our farmers markets, you must follow all city, county, state and federal laws. All government regulations take precedence over our farmers markets. For example, you must not block a handicapped cutout in the sidewalk or interfere with fire codes while at the Market.

Farmers selling their own products, will take precedence over farmers selling for one another. Employees may sell, without being accompanied by the actual producer with permission of the management and an employee agreement letter.

Farmers must have a current copy of an employment agreement. This must be held by an employee who is not a member of the farmers family. These employee agreements must be renewed at the same time the producers certificate is renewed.

Farmers must not sell any commodity at the farmers market that does not appear on their certificate or that is not of their own production, unless covered by a second certificate. If there is a second certificate, both farm names must appear on the bottom of each certificate.

All containers must be properly labeled with identity, responsibility and quantity.

All scales and other weighing devices must be properly sealed and approved by the pertinent government agency. Scales must be checked, tested and sealed within the previous 12 months from the County Dept. of Weights and Measures (phone 562 940-7803).

Each producers stand must have all current certificates, permits, licenses and other required paperwork posted so as to be visible by each shopper. This includes the sellers permit as well.

Producers who wish to use the work "organic" must follow all pertinent state and federal laws regarding the use of this term.

Each Producers location must have, prominently displayed, their farm name and all products must be clearly marked as to price so as to be easily read by consumers.

It is your responsibility and obligation to comply with the rules and regulations of the Dept. of Agriculture, the Dept. of Health and the Fire Dept. and other government Agencies (city, county, state, and federal) having jurisdiction over the farmers market, and the farmer/vendor. Neither Old McDonalds Farmers Markets or their employees or representatives are responsible(s). Therefore, if Old McDonalds Farmers Markets or its employees or representatives is fined for a violation you committed, you will be obligated to pay the fine or otherwise be subject to termination from the market.

Prices must reflect quality. Lower quality can only be sold at very low prices. The market manager reserves the right to inspect each producers table, stand and vehicle at any time.

If there is a no show at the market, walk-ins will be allowed to attend on a first come, first served basis providing they meet all requirements. Walk-ins will be placed 30 minutes before a market opens. Note, your space maybe given away if you have not arrived 30 minutes before the market opens.

All farmers and vendors must carry the appropriate insurance. Please see insurance guidelines.

Vendors who do not comply with all the market rules may forfeit their privilege of selling at this market or be fined by the management.

Complaints which are received by the market management about any vendor may be grounds to remove that vendor from the market. Substantial, unremedied complaints regarding issues such as quality, producership, rudeness, response to complaints and other items will be considered.

Each market has a designated market manager. Farmers and vendors agree to follow the market managers instructions while participating in the market.

If a vendor continues to violate a rule after a written warning, he may be suspended from selling at that particular market.

The benefit of the doubt will be given to the consumer in any reasonable dispute between a consumer and a vendor at the judgement of the market manager.

Sellers are required to clean up their own customer space and must haul any trash away with them at closing time.

All food must be kept a minimum of 6 inches off the ground, be handled in a healthful manner and comply with all health department regulations.

All farmers and vendors who offer free samples to customers, must use sneeze guards that comply with the health department regulations.

No smoking is allowed on the market premises. Consumption of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs is forbidden.

Each farmers market has designated hours of operation and farmers who participate must arrive early to set up in time for the opening of the market and must not leave prior to market close.

Vendors must inform the market manager before market day if they are unable to attend. In case of emergencies or last minute problems, you must call the manager on his or her cell phone number. Failure to comply may result in cancellation of further reservations or changing of the location.

Any vendors who are seasonal or will not be at the market for an extended period of time (i.e. more than two weeks) must remit in writing to the management the time you will be gone and when you wish to return.

All spaces are assigned by the market manager. A vendor may not change location without the managers approval. No vendor may sell at more than one location in the market on any one day.

Vendors must maintain their selling space, including tables, overhead shade, and vehicle in a clean and safe manner. Their area must be left in the exact same condition or better than when they started. This means you must sweep and completely clean your area of all trash, toothpicks, samples, flower petals, leaves and debris that may be left over in and around the booth space. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DISMISSAL FROM THE MARKET. Bring your own broom and dustpan and dispose of your own trash.

Vendors shall truthfully and completely fill out the weekly load list provided by the market and pay all fees due. The market management reserves the right to render spot audit checks at any time at their discretion.

The Farmers market is a Certified Farmers Market with a Non-Certified section. The Farmers Market may contain the following products: Non Certified Agricultural products (example: jam or juice made from fruit the farmer grew) Non Agricultural products, (example: bakery goods/agricultural products (example: flowers) and Certified Agricultural products (example: potatoes). The Certified and Non-Certified sections are clearly separated.

Farmers with processed agricultural products must carry a certificate showing health department approval of their processing facilities.

Food purveyors cannot sell items which compete with farmers products and all vendors cannot sell items which compete with major items sold by the vendors.

All vendors must have sellers permits from the state department of equalization.

Prepared food vendors must sign the "Requirements for Cooking" form available at Old McDonaldsFarmers Markets.com. Also, they must obey all Health and Fire Department regulations.

For food vendors, you must obtain a Temporary Event Permit (TEP) from the Health Department for each market you participate in, or have a valid yearly permit from the Health Department on your truck or cart.

You may not participate in a market unless a Health Department permit has been obtained prior to the start date. If you obtained a TEP, it must be renewed every 3 months in order for you to remain in the market.

You must provide a current copy of the TEP to the market manager each quarter and post a copy in your booth each week.

Each vendor is required to have the following "safety items" with them at every market on every day of attendance: 4-20 lbs bags filled with sand or rocks-and ties per tent, 4 bungee cords or zip ties, a first aid kit, and fire retardant tent (approved by the fire dept. with the official seal on the tent or with certificate carried with the vendor at all times). If the vendor does not bring any or all of these items, the market manager reserves the right to have the vendor leave the market.

Vendors may be removed from the market under investigation, at the discretion of the market manager.

Market fees are subject to change at any time. Notice will be given to vendors prior to the market day.

Vendors paying by checks that are returned by the bank, will thereafter have to pay by cash or cashiers check. Vendor who have unpaid balances will not be permitted into the market until their accounts are brought current by certified funds.

All market rules will be applied in a fair and equitable manner.

I hereby state that I have read and understand these rules, and agree to follow all rules and procedures outlined here. I also understand that failure to conform to the market rules may result in the privilege of participating in their markets being revoked.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED PERSON

DATE

PRINT NAME OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED PERSON

PRINT COMPANY OR FARM NAME