

Everyone's Harvest: Certified Farmers' Markets 2012: Rules & Regulations Sign Off-Sheet



The purpose of the 2012 Rules and Regulations is to govern, administer, and manage Everyone's Harvest Certified Farmers' Markets. In issuing these rules, it is not our intent to burden participants, but to ensure the smooth operations. **Please initial and sign below agreeing you and your employees understand the 2012 Rules & Regulations. Note some key points below:**

_____ The Market Manager or Executive Director has the right to fine any Participant for not following Everyone's Harvest Rules and Regulations. Participant fines can range from \$15 to \$150 dollars. Failure to enforce any Rule or Regulation shall not constitute a waiver of enforcement of such Rules and Regulations at any future time.

_____ Participants are responsible to furnish Everyone's Harvest with copies of current required documents from the city, state, county and federal government for applicable activities the Participant conducts at the Market(s). It is the responsibility of every Participant at every Market to post their current required documents.

_____ **VIII. A. CERTIFIED PRODUCER (FARMER AND FISHERMAN) AND SEAFOOD BROKER.**
***Following Agricultural Code 47025 (a): Direct Marketing CCR 1392.9(b). 8. Load Lists, provided by Everyone's Harvest, are to be turned in before the end of each Market day. It is the sole responsibility of the Certified Producer to turn in a completed Load List to the Market Manager before leaving each Market. Load List is due after each Market. Failure to complete and turn in your Load Lists after each Market may result in a fine each time it is not turned into the Market Manager.

_____ **IV.D. PARTICIPANT APPROVAL:** Each Participant must reapply and be approved each year for participation in each Everyone's Harvest Certified Farmers' Market. The decision to approve a Participant to participate in an Everyone's Harvest Certified Farmers' Market is made by the Executive Director or the Board of Directors with recommendations from the Market Manager. Participant's renewal is not guaranteed but is subject to the sole discretion of the Executive Director or the Board of Directors. After the Participant is approved that Participant has one month from approval to pay an Approval Due fee of \$50.00 per market to continue selling at the Market(s)

_____ **V. E. CANCELLATIONS: All Markets run rain or shine.** Cancellations can be submitted by email or phone to the Market Manager, but **MUST** be within 48 hours before market day. Cancellation means a Participant called the Market Manager before for Marina Friday by 9:30am, Pacific Grove Saturday by 3:30pm, Greenfield Thursday by 9:30am, Natividad Monday by 10:30am. After a Participant, fails two times in one calendar year to cancel within this time will result in a fine 1/2 the stall fee. Exceptions include a broken-down car, illness or death in the family. After three cancellations due to a broken-down car, illness or death in the family, records of these incidents must be submitted to the Market Manager to keep canceling on Market days without a fine. To cancel you must call the Market Manager for that Market. A no-show (not calling the Market Manager two hours before and/or not attending the Market) will result in a fine equal to the full stall fee, no matter what the reason is for not showing up and not calling to inform the Market Manager of your absence. When you call to cancel you must give the Market Manager a definite that you will be or not be at the Market. It is the responsibility of the Participant to make calculate about the weather and determine his/her attendance on their own calculation.

_____ **V.F. DISPLAY ALL PERMITS AND LICENSES:** All required documents shall be provided and must accompany all produce and products during transportation. During Market selling hours an original or certified copy of documentation must be displayed prominently.

_____ **V. G. PARTICIPANT SPACE:** 3. Tents and shade set-ups must be tied down by at least 50 pounds on two sides to equal a total of 100 pounds at all times distributed throughout the tent.,. All connecting rods of the shade set-ups and weights must be secure in their fittings. Tarps must be securely fastened.

4. All boxes or crates of produce and other food products must be kept 6 inches off the ground under Section 27831 of the State Health & Safety Code.

31. T-shirt plastic bags and Polystyrene (Styrofoam) are prohibited to be distributed at the Market(s). Encouraging customer to bring their own bag, paper bags, and bio-bags are recommended.

_____ **V. H. SIGNAGE AND PROMOTION:** 1. Prices must be clearly posted on all products. Collusion among Participants to change prices or exertion of any influence, pressure or persuasion to cause a Participant to increase prices is strictly forbidden (state law).

2. Packaged products must be labeled with the name of the farm or Producer, the address and the weight of the contents (state law). Co-op products and labels are not acceptable; use farm/Producer name and adding weight and lot numbers to verify that the product came from the Producer.

3. Organic and Conventional commodities sold in the same stall space need clear, visible and non-confusing signage stating which products are Organic and which products are Conventional. Failure to post these signs will result in non-compliance resulting in one warning and further non-compliance will result in not allowing both types of products to be sold in one booth space.

I _____ (print), understand and will abide by Everyone's Harvest 2012 Rules and Regulations.

_____ (Signature) _____ (Date)