

# Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market 2009 Vendor Information

## 2009 DATES

Every Thursday evening June through August from 5-7pm.

## SET-UP

Set up time is 4:30 - 5:00pm. Vendors must check in for stall assignments prior to set up

## EQUIPMENT

Vendors are responsible for their own tables, chairs, shade devices, change, bags, coolers, ice, etc. We are not responsible for lost or damaged equipment.

## PRICES

### Non-Commercial stalls

\$80 for the season or \$10 each week.

### Commercial stalls

\$160 for the season or \$20 per week.

## VENDOR STALLS

You will receive stall assignment upon arrival at the Market. Vendors accepted weekly on a first come, first served basis where space is available.

Vendor's signature on the application verifies that the vendor has carefully read and understands and agrees to all provisions of this Agreement. Any violations of the Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market rules and responsibilities will result in the following sanctions:

- First violation results in a warning.
- Second violation for same offense results in expulsion from the Market on that day, with no stall refunds.
- Third violation results in expulsion from the Market for balance of season with no refund of vendor fees.
- Checks returned by your bank will incur a \$20 fee and must be redeemed in cash. A second returned check will result in a \$30 fee in addition to the check, and any remaining fees must be paid in cash.

## LOCATION

On 5<sup>th</sup> Street between High and Elk Streets (between the Middle School and Charles Park).

## MANAGEMENT

This Farmers Market is managed by Main Street Beatrice, Inc. Stall assignments, determination of suitability of items offered for sale, and collection of stall rental fees are the sole responsibility of the Farmers Market Management Committee. You will not receive a confirmation of acceptance into this Farmers Market but will be notified in the event no stall space is available for the dates you requested.

Main Street Beatrice, Inc. reserves the right to be the exclusive seller of beverages at the Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

No guarantees of exclusivity of products is made or implied.

The Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market will not discriminate against any applicant for stall space because of race, color, religion, disability, sex, national origin, age, or marital status.

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# Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market 2009 Vendor Information, Rules, & Regulations

**All produce must be grown by the vendor, unless pre-approved by the management committee.**

## PRODUCE/BAKED AND ALL OTHER GOODS

No item offered for sale will be commercially made, created or produced without value added by the vendor. Produce offered for sale must be free from all harmful pesticide residues, and any applications must have been made according to manufacturer's directions. All food items must be free from insects and spoilage and must be washed. Cut produce is not allowed.

Perishable produce and food items must be maintained at appropriate temperatures with heating and cooling devices. Eggs must be kept in a cooler at 45 degrees. It is the vendor's responsibility to have an egg license. Licenses are available free of charge by calling 402-471-2536. An empty egg carton may be kept on view so customers know you have eggs for sale. Mark through brand names or grades on used egg cartons. Disallowed bakery products include pecan, pumpkin, custard, and cream pies. All meat must come from an approved source. Jams and jellies are allowed only if they have been water-processed. No pickles, relish, or salsa are allowed.

Only products in compliance with the regulations of the State of Nebraska Department of Health may be sold at the Market. You may reach the State of Nebraska's Department of Agriculture in Lincoln at 402-471-2536.

## PACKAGING

Prepackaged produce must be in new food-grade plastic bags or plastic food wrap. Produce sold by piece or per quantity may be sold in new paper or plastic bags. Bread bags, trash bags, garbage or leaf bags, or used produce bags from the grocery store may not be used for produce or other food stuffs.

## PROCEDURES

Vehicles are not allowed to operate in this Market area during its hours of operation of 5:00 - 7:00pm. In case of emergency, notify the Market manager so pedestrian traffic can be cleared and your vehicle escorted safely from the Market area.

Goods cannot be sold prior to 5:00pm. A signal will open the Market. The Market will be open "rain or shine" with the exception of a storm Warning during Market operation hours. It is left to the vendor's discretion to set up in case of inclement weather.

## CLEAN UP

Each vendor will be responsible for keeping their area clean and free of trash and clutter during and after the market. Designated trash receptacles will be available.

## FEES

Refunds and fee transfers to subsequent weeks will not be allowed unless the Market is closed at the determination of the management committee. **SUBLETTING OF STALL SPACE IS PROHIBITED.**

## SALES TAX

NON-PRODUCE vendors are responsible for collection, reporting, and paying sales tax to the State of Nebraska. Beatrice's tax rate is 6.5%. Vendors must provide proof of application for sales tax number.

## SCALES

Only legal scales with the state permit sticker are allowed at the Market. Vendors without legal scales must sell by the piece or per quantity. If you wish to sell product by weight but do not have a legal scale, you may weigh and package items at home, but sell by the bag or package at the Market.

## SIGNAGE

Vendors are required to have a sign with their name and city of location, and growers must list prices. Signs can be simple or elaborate and can have a business name (i.e. "Valley View Farm") rather than your personal name. Street addresses are not necessary. We suggest using black or white boards that can be changed throughout the season to reflect produce availability.

## PARKING

If vending from a table stall, unload your car then move car to a designated parking area. **DO NOT PARK IN CUSTOMER PARKING.**

## RIGHT OF REFUSAL

Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market Management Committee reserves the right to restrict the sale of any product or the use of any stall space to any vendor at any time.

# Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market 2009 Vendor Application Form

## PLEASE PRINT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Individual Name or Business Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tax ID Number

Products to be Sold:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate how you sell your products:

- Side of Vehicle  Rear of Vehicle  
 Table only; no vehicle

If you use an awning, please list its dimensions:

\_\_\_\_\_height \_\_\_\_\_width \_\_\_\_\_length

Please check the 2009 dates you plan to sell at the Market:

Full season (June 04 - August 27)

June 4     July 2     Aug 6

June 11     July 9     Aug 13

June 18     July 16     Aug 20

June 25     July 23     Aug 27

July 30

## REGISTRATION

- \$10 per week non-commercial  
 \$80 non-commercial stall (season)  
 \$20 per week commercial stall  
 \$160 Commercial stall (season)

## TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to:  
MAIN STREET BEATRICE, INC.  
and return completed form & check to:  
Main Street Beatrice, Inc.  
P.O. Box 125  
Beatrice, NE 68310**

Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market, Main Street Beatrice, Inc., the City of Beatrice, Beatrice Public Schools, and their employees and volunteers from any and all causes of action which may arise from the operation of this Farmers Market, not caused by negligence of the Main Street Beatrice Farmers Market, Main Street Beatrice, Inc., the City of Beatrice, Beatrice Public School, and their employees or volunteers.

**By signing this application, I acknowledge that the Agreement has been read and is understood, and I will abide by the terms presented in the Information Rules and Regulations.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor Signature Date

**Office use only**

Date Application Received \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment Type \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
Stall # \_\_\_\_\_ Processed by \_\_\_\_\_