

Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market

Market Rules and Guidelines

Application Process:

- Participants in the Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market are selected by the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce.
 - Selection to participate is done on an annual basis and applications must be completed annually.
 - Submission of an application does not guarantee participation in the Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market and acceptance of an application is not a guarantee or promise for future participation.
 - Applications must include all products to be sold at the market.
 - Payment is required with application submission.
- Fees: All fees must be paid in advance.
 - The annual fee will be set by the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce each year.
 - Vendor Fees are not refundable after June 15 of the current market year.

Location and Season:

- Mickman Brothers 14630 Highway 65 Ham Lake, MN
- Mailing address: Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce 15544 Central Ave. NE Ham Lake, MN 55304
- Attention: Farmers Market
- Email: kari@hamlakeecc.org
- Phone: 763-434-3011
- www.facebook.com/hamlakefarmersmarket
- www.instagram/hamlakefarmersmarket
- The Ham Lake Farmers and Artisan Market will be open Wednesdays 3-7pm, July -September. Closing date for the season is subject to change depending on weather.

Market Goods/Items for Sale:

- The Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market shall be open to producers and vendors that live within a 75 mile radius of Ham Lake, Minnesota or as approved by the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce.
 - A producer refers to a person or company that makes, grows, or supplies goods for sale.
 - A vendor is the retail seller at a stall or booth. Both farmers and non-farmers selling at a farmers' market are vendors.
- A limited number of direct sale vendors will be approved to sell.
- If a vendor is absent for more than two weeks in a row without notice, their spot will be forfeited and given to somebody else.
- Non-profits or businesses without goods for sale should contact the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce for information about a booth.
- Vendors may not sell any items not approved or listed in their market application.
 - It is the vendors responsibility to ensure that all products comply with current county, state and federal regulations and are properly identified and labeled.
- The Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to ask a vendor to remove products.

Booth/Stall Space:

- **Booth space will be assigned and is subject to change depending on number of vendors.**
- The Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce or Market Coordinator has the authority to move and reassign vendor spots to enhance or facilitate market operations.
- Booth space will be approximately 10 feet wide and 15 feet deep or approximately 1 parking space. Each vendor is responsible for keeping their products, canopy, table, signage, etc. in their designated space.
- Each vendor is responsible for providing their own table, canopy, weights, display materials, change, etc.
- Booth space is not transferrable.
- Limited electric sites are available. Please let the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce if electric is needed.
- Canopies must be sufficiently and safely secured by attaching the canopy to weights on the ground. Weights should be smooth without rough edges or sharp corners. High wind is to be expected and prepared for by vendors.
- Lost or damaged booth items or product is the responsibility of the vendor.
- Customer walkways must be kept open.
- Sandwich board or yard signs advertising specific items for sale may be used at the Market Coordinator's discretion depending on space and availability. If you have a sign, please talk with the Market Coordinator.

Set-Up and Take Down:

- Vendors may begin setting up at 1:30pm. The Market Coordinator will be available at 2:00pm to answer questions.
- Vendors must have vehicles out of the walkway by 2:50pm. Space permitting, vehicles may be parked behind each vendor's canopy.
- Vendors must be ready to sell at 3:00pm. **Please limit sales prior to 3:00pm.**
- **Vendors must remain until the market closes at 7:00pm and should not begin teardown before closing time unless approved by Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce or Market Coordinator.**
- Vehicles will be allowed in the market area after the market closes for tear down.
- Vendors must remove all materials including bags, boxes and debris by 7:30pm. All trash must be disposed of properly.

Incident Report:

- Any accident, injury or other complaint that is made know to the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce or Market Coordinator shall result in an Incident Report being completed and filed. The report will include the date and time of the incident, location, witnesses, description, action taken and contact information for individual.

Insurance:

- Vendor are recommended to carry general liability and product liability insurance as the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce does not provide this coverage.

Licenses, Permits, Labeling and Taxes:

- All permits and licenses required by Anoka County, Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) are the sole responsibility of the vendors.
 - If you are required to have a permit or license, please submit a copy with your market application.
- Complete a copy of the ST19 form and submit with your market application. This form is required. If not submitted, your vendor application cannot be completed. This form must be submitted each year.
- Any vendors required by law to carry a food handler's license or other licensing must have them posted at their vendor stall.
- Labeling, packaging or identification required by the Minnesota Department of Health, MDA or USDA are the responsibility of the vendor.
- Each vendor is responsible for sales tax collection, where applicable.

Weather:

- It is up to each individual vendor to make their own decision about attending on days when the weather is questionable.
- The Market will be open rain or shine.
- In the event of severe weather, the market coordinator will monitor the news/weather and notify vendors of potential high winds, thunderstorm or tornado. On days with inclement weather, the Market Coordinator will decide to close the event.
- Mickman Brothers is the tornado shelter for the Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market.

Market Policies:

- The market will open at 3:00pm.
- The Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market will not accept any food assistance benefits.
- Because of food safety concerns, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture allows only service animals and police dogs within a farmers market.
- Persons working at or associated with a vendor space shall not smoke in the sales area. Vendors reserve the right to ask customers to not smoke around their booth/stall.
- No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the market area.
- The general cleanliness of the market area is everyone's responsibility.
- Prices and terms of sale are solely between buyer and seller.
- Any required sales tax collections and remittance are the sole responsibility of the sellers.
- Sellers assume full liability for the products they market or sell and hereby agree to hold the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and Mickman Brothers, Inc. harmless against any claim of injury, damage by any buyer, seller, or other persons resulting from the use, consumption, dispositions, display or market of seller's products.
- Market vendors may not set up a booth or signage outside of the regular market season and hours.
- The sale or giving away of live animals on market grounds is prohibited.
- The Rules and Guidelines for the Ham Lake Farmers & Artisan Market are subject to change. Changes will be communicated to vendors in writing.