



South Carolina
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
MARKETING DEPARTMENT
 1200 Senate Street, Columbia, SC 29201

Hugh E. Weathers, Commissioner

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CERTIFIED ROADSIDE MARKET APPLICATION

The South Carolina Department of Agriculture’s Certified Roadside Market Program was designed to create, establish, and improve the quality of roadside markets throughout the state while promoting fair and sanitary marketing and business practices.

Qualifying markets must be permanent structures (no tents) with safe and easy access to public road(s) and primarily sell agricultural commodities to the public. A portion of the products offered for sale must include those grown or produced in South Carolina. Approved members will receive a 4’x4’ metal double-sided sign (pictured at right) and will be listed on the SCDA’s Certified Roadside Market directory that is printed annually and distributed statewide to the Welcome Centers, as well as listed on SCDA’s website.



Photographs of your roadside market facility must be included with your application. Photographs should include images of the structure used to display, sell, and store produce, entrances to the facility, driveways, parking, and signage. They can be mailed, emailed, or texted to 803-707-5418.

Name of Market _____

Market Mailing Address _____

Market Physical Address (if different) _____

County Where Market is Located _____

Contact Person(s) _____

Phone # _____ Alternate # _____

Email _____ Market Website _____

Months Open _____

Days Open _____

Hours of Operation _____

List the principal farm products that you grow and sell

List items that you buy and re-sell, the months available, and where you source/procure the products (i.e. name of farm/business)

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Methods of Payment (check all that apply)

- Cash Debit Credit Farmer's Market Nutrition Program Vouchers SNAP WIC

List all other non-agricultural or specialty food items you plan to sell at your market

List any additional agritourism services or attractions that you offer to the public (i.e. hayrides, farm festivals, corn maizes, etc.)

Memberships (check all that apply)

- Member of the Certified SC Grown Program | *For membership info, visit certifiedscgrown.com*
- Member of South Carolina Agritourism Association | *For membership info, visit scagritourism.org*
- Member of the South Carolina Specialty Crop Growers Association | *For membership info, visit scsfa.org*

CERTIFIED ROADSIDE MARKET PROGRAM

I, _____, hereby apply for membership in the South Carolina Department of Agriculture's Certified Roadside Market Program. It is understood that membership is subject to the approval of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. Approval is based upon my establishment meeting the standards that relate to design, external and internal appearance, location, sanitation and cleanliness, product quality, fair and honest marketing practices and any other factors designed to promote traffic safety, fair marketing, roadside appearances and the promotion of South Carolina agricultural products. Inspectors of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture will make periodic inspections of the market and any failure to meet prescribed standards shall be sufficient cause for membership in the Certified Roadside Market Program to be revoked.

Signature

Date

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ROADSIDE MARKET INCENTIVE PROGRAM
AND IT'S MEMBERS**

The following AGREEMENT between the undersigned parties represents a clear understanding on the part of both parties toward the most successful and effective operation of the "Roadside Market Incentive Program" in South Carolina. The objects of the program as given in the Rules and Regulations are primarily to promote the sale of South Carolina farm products through reputable farm markets for increased confidence of the consuming public. Toward this end, the two parties agree as follows:

THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGREES:

1. THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGREES to furnish one sign—an official emblem designating that such person is a member of the "Roadside Market Incentive Program." This sign is furnished with the understanding that the member will maintain the qualifications prescribed by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture.
2. THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGREES to help promote, publicize and advertise the emblem of the association for benefit of the members, as the finances permit.
3. THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGREES to arrange for the periodic inspection of the products offered on the market by a qualified inspector and to regularly inspect the cleanliness and neatness of the Market, appearance and attitude of employees, and any other specifications which the South Carolina Department of Agriculture may require.

THE MEMBER AGREES:

1. THE MEMBER AGREES to accept the sign and any other South Carolina Department of Agriculture identification with the understanding that it is owned by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture and may be withdrawn if the member does not maintain the standards for membership.
2. THE MEMBER AGREES not to alter, mutilate, or destroy any of the signs or other identification of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. The member must display the Certified Roadside Market sign that is provided by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. The member agrees to display signs in a manner approved by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture and agrees to surrender the sign upon request by the Department of Agriculture.
3. THE MEMBER AGREES to cooperate with the inspector and with the South Carolina Department of Agriculture employees.

IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture and by the member that this Agreement may be terminated for failure to comply with the Rules and Regulations covering the operation of the Roadside Market Incentive Program or any other state law applicable to this operation.

By the SC Department of Agriculture

By the Member

Date

Date