

### South Carolina DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET

1354 Rutherford Road, Greenville, SC 29609

Hugh E. Weathers, Commissioner

## GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET VENDOR POLICIES & PROCEDURES

The Greenville State Farmers Market is operated year-round by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture. The focus of the market is to provide plants, fresh fruits, and vegetables to local businesses and residents. Due to changes in the marketing of fresh produce, the market is pursuing a much wider product offering for our visitors which includes a variety of handmade crafts and gift items.

### DAILY VENDOR PROCEDURES

- A daily rate of \$15 applies based on availability for a 10'
   × 10' space and one 8' table (additional tables may be available for \$5. Please request in advance).
- A vendor application must be completed and approved before leasing a space and is kept on file for the season which is April – December.
- A weekly email will be sent on Tuesdays. Please reply by Wednesday evening to be considered for a space. You will be notified by email if you will or will not have a space for that Saturday.
- Stop by the office Saturday morning to pay your fee and be assigned a table number. Cash or check only are accepted. We do not accept payments in advance. Someone is in the office by 6:30 am to accept payment and assign spaces.
- You must be set up and ready to sell by 7:45 am. Late arrivals may be denied space. After 2 late arrivals, you may be asked not to return.

- Unless prior arrangements are made, please do not break down before 1:00 pm.
- Parking for vendors is in the lot across the fence after unloading.
- It is the responsibility of the vendor to be knowledgeable of and in compliance with any and all state laws and/or regulations that may apply to the sale of their product.
- Each space must be left clean and free of any trash or vendor property.
- Please be sure not to block the sight line of any other vendors with racks, displays, etc. No racks or displays over 4 feet are allowed.
- The market reserves the right to limit the number of same-product vendors.
- Vendors of food products must follow proper food safety guidelines.
- Vendors are responsible for collecting and remitting any applicable sales taxes associated with the sale of their products.
- No smoking is permitted in the market or on market property.
- No yard sale type items or direct selling companies are allowed.



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## GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET INFORMATION

### HISTORY

From its beginning as a tailgate market along the Court Street curbside in the heart of downtown, the Greenville Farmers Market has been an integral part of the community. The market moved to its present location in 1949 and transitioned to a South Carolina Department of Agriculture facility in 1980. Today the Greenville State Farmers Market continues its proud heritage of services to the Piedmont region of South Carolina.

### **PROVIDING SERVICE**

The Greenville State Farmers Market offers individuals and families a consistent source of fruits, vegetables, dairy products, handmade crafts, plants, and flowers throughout the year. Specialty products, such as pumpkins and Christmas items are also available seasonally.

Surrounding counties in South Carolina, North Carolina, and Northeast Georgia contribute some of their freshest and best to the variety offered at the Greenville Market.

#### FESTIVALS

With the growth of local horticulture, seasonal festivals in the Spring and Fall are important events at the market. Local nurseries and growers as well as individual gardeners offer a variety of plants and flowers at each festival. The Piedmont Plant and Flower Festival is held annually in early late April/early May, and AutumnFest at the Market follows in late September. Master Gardeners, gardening products and supplies, home and yard decor, native plants, and quality crafts round out the offerings. In December, the Saturdays before Christmas feature a variety of craft vendors, baked goods, pet treats, Christmas trees, and greenery. Free admission and parking.

#### HOURS OF OPERATION

#### **RETAIL HOURS**

Monday – Saturday | 8 am – 6 pm Year-round, closing only on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

#### SEASONAL VENDORS

Saturdays | 8 am – 1 pm April through December



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Received/Approved	
Date	

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### **GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET VENDOR APPLICATION**

Name			
Business Name (Required)			
Mailing Address			
City State	ZIP County		
Phone Number	Emergency Number		
Email	Website		
Facebook	Instagram		
Commodities offered for sale must be listed: (only approved products will be permitted for sale)			
Fresh Fruits and/or Vegetables			
Horticulture/Live Plants	Nursery Registration #		
□ Eggs SC Egg License #			
Baked Goods	SCDA RVC #		
□ Honey/Jams/Jellies			
Pet Food/Treats Must be registered with SCDA			
Handcrafted Items     List and describe. Attach signed Craft Vendor Certification Form.			
Other (Describe)			

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the registration information and requirements. I agree to operate in accordance with the procedures and policies of the Greenville State Farmers Market. I agree to be set up by 7:45 am and not break down before 1:00 pm. I also understand that my failure to abide by these procedures and policies may result in temporary or permanent dismissal from the market.

Signature



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# **CRAFT VENDOR CERTIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am the maker of original craft items. I also certify that I am not purchasing and reselling any craft items and that all items are handmade by me or a member of my immediate family. I understand that commercially produced crafts are prohibited from sale at the Greenville State Farmers Market. No commercial items, no imported items, no secondhand items shall be resold. I further understand and agree that all craft items are subject to approval by the market management and that management gives space priority to produce vendors. Management also has the authority to limit craft vendors based on the subject matter, i.e. limiting the number of vendors selling the same product. I understand that if I do not comply with the market rules and regulations, I am subject to dismissal and will not be able to apply for rental space until a review has been conducted by the market management.

Signature

Print Name

Date

Business name if different from above