



**CARENCRO CULTURAL DISTRICT
Carencro Farmers Market
Rules, Policies & Procedures
2015**

Location: Behind City Hall (210 E. St. Peter St., Carencro, La 70520)

Day/Dates: Last Saturday of the month, May - October, 2015

Time: 3-6pm rain or shine (Cancellations for hazardous weather only)

The purpose of this document is to help insure a well-run and successful market.

These rules, policies and procedures are intended to clarify how we operate.

A signed and dated copy of this document must accompany all vendor applications.

1. The CCDFM is open to both home and commercial growers.
2. Cancellations: The Market will cancel only in the event of hazardous weather conditions. Every effort will be made to notify vendors of a cancellation, but notification cannot be guaranteed. In the event of a cancellation vendors may, at their discretion, choose to operate with the understanding that no administrative support will be available and that they do so at their own risk.
3. All produce must be locally grown and picked by a person of the household or employed by the vendor. Products not grown by the seller must be clearly marked as to place picked and must be approved by the Market Manager or his/her representative.
 - Plants, flowers, eggs, honey and fresh cider, meat and seafood are permitted.
 - No reselling of wholesale purchases, excepting seafood, is permitted without express permission of the Market Manager or his/her designee (see Carried Items, #13).
4. The Executive Committee or designated representatives of the CCDFM may make inspections of both farm and non-farm vendor facilities.
5. Seafood. Selling of seafood purchased at wholesale is permitted.
 - Permitted origins: Louisiana
 - Labeling: origin is required; boat from which purchased is desired.
6. Sellers will register with the Market Manager or her/his designee before setting up. Sellers must arrive for set up early enough to commence business at the Market opening (3 PM.) and must clean their area thoroughly after closing. Late arrivals may be denied permission to set up, if safety concerns are involved.
7. All scales shall have a current seal from an approved Sealer of Weights and Measures.
8. Each seller will be responsible for displaying good products in a clean area.
 - All prices must be clearly marked.

9. Canopies must be in good working condition, with satisfactory appearance and properly weighted.

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- Vendors not in compliance may be denied permission to set up.

10. Selling Space: Vendors must keep their products within their rented and assigned space.

- Rented vendor spaces are 10'x10' areas, or multiples thereof, and the allowable space for displaying and selling is defined as the area contained within that rented space. **The Fee for the space is \$25.00, additional space will be offered at \$15.00.**
- Displaying or selling products outside the Market's perimeter is prohibited without the approval of the Market Manager or his/her designee.

11. All members agree to be helpful and informative to customers and respectful of each other.

- The practice of making loud sales pitches to customers not at one's own tent, or 'Hawking,' is not appropriate at the CCDFM.

12. "Carried items." Vendors are allowed to carry a token number or amount of products that they have not grown, produced or made. All such items must be directly related to a vendor's product line and be approved in advance by the Market Manager or his/her designee.

13. Non-Food or Plant (NFP) vendors are limited to a maximum of 5 spaces per Market session and are governed separately. All new NFP applications are subject to a CCDFM "Jury Review," the jury being comprised of non-vendor Board of CCD members.

- Jury decisions are based on the product's appropriateness and suitability for the CCDFM.
- Soap is defined as a NFP product.
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14. Partial Season Vendors: The CCDFM will strive to accommodate those vendors whose products are only available during part of the Market's season. Arrangements must be coordinated with the Market Manager and acceptance is subject to space availability.

- No electrical power is available; you must be self-contained/self-sufficient.

15. Each vendor is responsible for conformation with any applicable federal, state or local laws and regulations pertaining to the products being sold.

16. Solicitors, manufactured product demonstrations and other such activities will only be allowed by prior approval of the Market Manager or his/her designee.

17. The CCDFM is a "No Smoking" market.

18. Violations of rules may result in the violator being denied from further participation at the Carencro Cultural District Farmers Market.



**CARENCRO CULTURAL DISTRICT
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Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures**

One of the goals of the CCDFM is to provide a positive, cooperative and respectful atmosphere for all Market participants. Occasionally, Rules/Policies violations and disputes will arise. Please be aware that Market set-up is a very busy time. If the dispute is not urgent please wait until the Manager can give you his/her full attention. Rules/Policies Violations: The Market Manager or his/her designee will deal with violations of CCDFM Rules and Policies at the time of their discovery. Those decisions are final, and penalties include warnings and/or suspension or, in the case of multiple offenses, expulsion. Disputes: Vendors are expected to resolve any minor disputes with one another with respect and without the involvement of CCDFM administrators.

However, should that not be possible, please refer to the following guidelines:

- If a dispute is with another vendor that cannot be resolved, bring it to the attention of the Manager.
- If the dispute is with a patron and it IMPACTS THE MARKET OR MARKET POLICY immediately contact the Manager. The Manager will attempt to resolve it and will notify the Board if any action needs to be taken or policies need to be reviewed.
- If the person the dispute is with requests that the Board review the dispute, please respect that wish and drop the matter until Board mediation can be accomplished. Appeals: Any vendor may appeal the Market Manager's decision about a Rules/Policy violation or dispute by notifying, in writing, the CCDFM's administration at:
- Include the following: The date and time of the dispute. The individual(s) involved. The nature of the dispute. The outcome/decision of the Manager. Why you feel that the incident needs further review.
- A sub-committee of the CCDFM Board, comprised of non-vendors and excluding the on-site Operations Team members, will review the appeal and make its recommendation to the entire Board. The Board's decision will be final. Please do not contact Board members by personal email or other methods.
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I have read and agree to abide by the Carencro Cultural Districts Farmers Market, Rules, Policies & Procedures (2015). I further agree that I shall hold CCDFM and its agents and employees harmless from all loss or damage occasioned by anything occurring during or related to market operations unless caused by the gross negligence or misconduct of CCDFM and its agents and employees and from all loss or damage wherever occurring occasioned by any omission, fault, neglect or other misconduct on my part or on the part of any agent or employee of mine.

____ I accept and agree to abide by "Carencro Cultural District Farmers Market, Rules, Policies & Procedures, 2015."

Signature: _____

Name (Please print) _____