

WILKES COUNTY FARMERS' MARKET RULES - 2026

1. Vendors must reside and produce items they sell within Wilkes or any adjacent counties.
2. Vendors must allow inspection of their operations (if needed) to confirm that they are growing the produce they sell.
3. Vendors must be the original producers of all items being sold. No buying and reselling of produce or other products is permitted.
4. Vendors must submit an application before they will be allowed to sell at the market. Applications are available to anyone interested in selling at the market.
5. Applicants must pay an annual application fee of \$10. This fee is payable to the Wilkes County Farmers' Market upon application, prior to the first market attended for the season, and is non-refundable.
6. Vendors will be required to pay a one-time seasonal fee of \$60 (approx. 40 market days). More information about payment can be found on the application.
7. The market operates at the Yadkin Valley Marketplace, 842 CBD Loop, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659. Market hours are from 7:30 AM until noon on Saturdays (April 18 - October 31) and from 3:30 to 5:30 PM on Tuesdays (June 2 - September 29). These times must be strictly adhered to, and any deviation from these times without notifying the Market Manager could result in the seller being suspended from the market.
8. Vendors must be set up and ready to sell by 7:30 AM. Please do not arrive at the market early with the intention of **selling** before 7:30 AM.
9. Vendor spaces are assigned by the Market Manager. Vendors may only set up in the space they are assigned at the beginning of the season and not move around to other empty spaces unless approved by the Market Manager.
10. Returning vendor applications must be received by Friday, March 27th, in order to secure vendor space preference.
11. Vendors who are absent three Saturdays in a row and do not contact the Market Manager prior to the missed absences will forfeit their assigned space.
12. Vendors who do not attend at least 50% of Saturday Markets will forfeit their assigned space.
13. Products that can be sold include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Any vegetables grown from seeds, sets, or seedlings
 - b. Any fruits, nuts, or berries grown from trees, bushes, or vines on the seller's farm

- c. Any plant grown from seed, seedling, transplant, or cutting
- d. Honey
- e. Preserves, pickles, relishes, jams, and jellies.
- f. Meat, seafood, and poultry products
- g. Cut or dried flowers
- h. Bulbs
- i. Locally made arts and crafts

14. Vendors may not sell any product containing alcohol, including:

- a. Distilled (spirits and liquor)
- b. Undistilled (beer, wine, cider, mead)

15. All food must meet state and local health regulations and must be top quality. Please note the following

- a. No "low acid" canned food, such as green beans, corn, peas, carrots, or canned tomato products, may be sold.
- b. Meat, seafood, and poultry products must meet health department standards for transportation, handling, storage, and display.
- c. Eggs must be packaged/labeled according to the NC Egg Law.
- d. All value-added and prepared foods must be prepared in accordance with NCDA regulations in a certified home kitchen or commercial kitchen. A copy of regulatory agency paperwork must be given to the market manager to keep on file.

16. All scales used to weigh and sell products by weight at the market must pass state inspection to be certified.

17. No animals may be sold or given away at the market.

18. Prices must be posted for all items.

19. Vendors are responsible for cleaning up the area in and around their location.

The market requires that all vendors comply with standards of professionalism that promote open communication, mutual respect, and the best interests of the market. Disruptive actions or remarks that undermine the shared success of any or all of our community of vendors are unprofessional and unacceptable. Failure to comply with these standards could result in suspension or removal from the market.

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