MARTIN FARMERS MARKET

INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

Purpose: To give local gardeners and farmers a nearby market for their homegrown produce, and to give consumers an opportunity to purchase fresh produce at a reasonable price from those who grow it. **This is a producer only market.**

Location: The Martin Farmers Market is located in Historic Downtown Martin. The structure is between the train tracks and the Lindell St. businesses. The City of Martin provided the new market structure that is equip with electricity, fans, and lighting.

Days and Times of Sales: Monday and Wednesday from 2:00 - 5:00pm Saturday from 8:00am - 12:00pm Vendors may leave as they sell out.

Cost of Participation: Each seller will pay a fee of \$2.00 during the week days and \$4.00 on Saturdays during peak market season each time they set up.

(Peak Season June Through August) Yearly fee available upon request

Annual Meeting: Each seller must participate in at least 20 market days to be reviewed and considered for the Market Advisory Board, if vacancy is available. Once approved, you may remain on the board while actively selling at the Martin Farmers Market. There will be no more than 8 members on the board at any time. Members of the advisory board hold an annual meeting in the spring to discuss the previous year, advertising, and any other actions.

Guidelines for sellers:

- 1. The Martin Farmers Market is open to all local ALL farmers, gardeners and artisans who live within 25 miles of the actual market structure.
- 2. NO bought items can be sold whatsoever. **No exceptions**
- 3. Parking spaces are on a first come basis unless marked for a specific purpose. If you need help parking, assistance is available.
- 4. Products sold must meet state guidelines. Guidelines are available upon request.

- 5. No crafts, flea market, yard sale items or livestock will be allowed unless otherwise noted.
- 6. Sellers must bring their own produce bags and legal for trade scales.
- 7. The City of Martin asks that we do not use the on site dumpsters. Sellers are responsible for cleaning up and taking any trash or vegetable waste with you when you leave.
- 8. No seller is to begin until opening time is called. No produce is to be bagged before opening time is called, with some exceptions for things like corn and beans or peas. Those items are often sold as multiples requiring pre bagging.
- Each seller is required to provide a complete name, address, phone number or email for the market records and is responsible for following all food safety regulations.
- 10. Penalty for failure to abide by these guidelines:
 - First Offense: a warning will be issued
 - Second Offense: you will be asked not to sell and leave the market. If you do not cooperate we will have you removed.
- 11. The Martin Farmers Market Manager reserves the right to inspect vendors growing areas at any time to confirm that the market guidelines are being followed. Failure to allow an inspection will result in loss of market privilege. Any conduct that could potentially harm the Martin Farmers Market will result in loss of market privilege.

 Liability is not the responsibility of the Martin Farmers Market and lies solely with each individual vendor.

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