

DEXTER WINTER FARMERS MARKET GUIDELINES: 11/02/24-04/12/25.

Dexter Winter Farmers Market welcomes vendors to our Saturday market located at: Huron River Methodist Church, 7643 Huron River Drive, Dexter 48130. Our 2024-25 dates and hours are: Nov. 2, 16; Dec. 7, 21; Jan. 4, 18; Feb. 1, 15; Mar. 1, 15, 29; April 12. Customer hours are from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. Vendors may begin setting up at 7:30 am and be ready for customers by 8:45 am. Vendors are expected to stay until 1:00, unless an earlier departure is approved by the market manager.

PROCEDURES TO BECOME AN APPROVED VENDOR

1. Read and agree to Dexter Winter Farmers Market guidelines.
2. Fill out the application and sign it where indicated.
3. If you e-mail the application, please mail or email copies of your liability policy, IF APPLICABLE, and the risk agreement, by October 1.
4. Make checks out to Dexter Winter Farmers Market and send to: Anne Young 10023 Huron River Drive, Dexter, MI 48130.
5. When I receive your completed application, I will review it and notify you of decision. If approved, you may begin selling November 2. Because our market has become very popular and tends to fill up quickly, please send your application as soon as you know you want to be a vendor.
6. Weekly vendors must agree to sell for at least 4 weeks and pay \$52 in advance. Seasonal vendors will be given priority and need to pay the seasonal fee of \$140 by October 1.
7. Please direct any questions to Anne Young at 734-834-3229.

DEXTER WINTER FARMERS MARKET OPERATING GUIDELINES

We're dedicated to supporting local growers and producers by providing Dexter and surrounding communities with a friendly, welcoming farmers market, which meets the demands of residents for purchasing local, fresh food and artisan products.

MARKET DAY

Please enter the driveway with the sign displayed (north entrance). After unloading items, park cars at the far end of the parking lot. Contact Anne (734-834-3229) if you plan on missing any day signed up for. If you miss two weeks without prior notification your place will be given to another vendor. This is a family-friendly market with many children, so you are expected to dress appropriately.

PRODUCTS

Dexter Winter Farmers Market, Webster Township, and Huron River Methodist Church are not liable for any non-compliance with USDA, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, or Washtenaw County Department of Environmental Health regulations.

Michigan fruits, vegetables, and herbs must be fresh and of high quality.

Produce labeled “organic” should be grown on farms with organic certification or labeled “naturally grown” if using organic methods.

Samples must be in covered containers.

Most produce is to be grown by the vendor. If grown by another vendor, their name and place of origin must be displayed.

Bakers should make their food from “scratch”, with all food labeled properly, as described under the Michigan Cottage Food Law. This can be found on the State of Michigan’s website.

Vendors must grow their own plants and cut flowers. Licenses required: Michigan Sales Tax License; Nursery Stock or Grower’s License (shrubs, perennials, etc.).

MICHIGAN-RAISED MEAT, POULTRY, AND EGGS

Products must be of high quality, properly refrigerated/ frozen, and labeled.

Meat must have been processed at a USDA inspected facility.

Vendors selling eggs must comply with USDA rules, if applicable.

LABELING

Vendors must clearly display their business name.

Product names and prices for all items must be displayed.

If licenses are required (meat vendors), they should be displayed on market day.

APPLICATION

Vendors must complete an application each year, with products for sale listed on the application and approved by the manager. Additional products not listed, must be approved before being sold.

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

No smoking is allowed inside the building.

No political solicitation is allowed. Solicitation and distribution of literature unrelated to the market are not permitted unless they are for non-profit vendors or local business vendors.

Vendors must not engage in disruptive conduct. Any disagreement must be handled in a respectful and professional manner outside the market area. Disagreements between a vendor and customer must be handled professionally so as not to harm the image of the market.

FEES

Seasonal fee is \$140 to be paid by October 1. This covers all 12 markets and is non-refundable. Non-seasonal vendors pay \$52 in advance for 4 weeks by October 1 and \$13 each week after that.

Name: _____ Name of Business: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Website: _____

Home/Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Please indicate all products that will be sold:

Check dates you plan to sell:

2024

- November 2
- November 16
- December 7
- December 21

2025

- January 4
- January 18
- February 1
- February 15
- March 1
- March 15
- March 29
- April 12

License & Inspections: List the license numbers and inspection numbers required for the operation of your business or sale of your product (if applicable):

Michigan Sales Tax License Number: _____

Nursery/Plant Dealer License Number: _____ Inspection date: _____

Note: A health inspection is required on products such as, candy, cider, poultry, honey, etc. Cottage Food exempt. Health agencies that govern this market operation are Washtenaw County Health and Michigan Department of Agriculture.

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. By signing below, I certify that I have read, understand, and will adhere to all applicable guidelines as stated in the Operating Guidelines. I further understand that failure to comply with these specific guidelines may terminate my participation in Dexter Winter Farmers Market.

Name: (printed) _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to hold harmless Huron River Methodist Church, its employees, and volunteers and others working on behalf of the Huron River Methodist Church and Dexter Winter Farmers Market, and Webster Township and all claims, demands, suits, or loss, including all costs and attorney fees connected therewith, and for any damages which may be asserted, claimed, or recovered against or from the Huron River Methodist Church and Dexter Winter Farmers Market, and Webster Township, its employees, volunteers, or others working on behalf of the Huron River Methodist Church and Dexter Winter Farmers Market, and Webster Township, by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury and/or death and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof, which arises out of or is in any way connected or associated with my participation in the Dexter Winter Farmers Market. This document release of liability results in assumption of risk and provides for indemnification and holds harmless Huron River Methodist Church, Dexter Winter Farmers Market, and Webster Township by participant. Please read carefully before signing.

Signature:

Date:
