

2022 Vendor Agreement

FULL SEASON DEADLINE: April 14, 2022

WEEKLY DEADLINE: Wednesday



The Bluffton Farmers Market (Ohio) provides a venue for selling locally-grown produce and cottage foods directly to the consumer. We rely on the honesty, integrity, and courtesy of the growers and producers to provide high quality, fairly-priced products in a safe and attractive environment.

Vendor Registration Checklist

- Completed, signed registration form.
- Fees: Full year discount \$220. Weekly \$12. Make checks payable to Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Certificate of Insurance with Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce listed as certificate holder.
- If products require refrigeration, proof of mobile food vendor license.
- If applicable, proof of home baker's license.

Mail all documents and payment to Greg Probst, Bluffton Farmers Market Manager, 3463 SR 103, Bluffton, OH 45817.

Questions? Email Greg at blufftonfarmersmarket@embarqmail.com.

A program of the Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce

WEBSITE explorebluffton.com/farmers-market

FACEBOOK "Bluffton Farmers Market - Ohio"

GOOGLE [g.page/BlufftonOhFarmersMarket?share](https://www.google.com/page/BlufftonOhFarmersMarket?share)

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1. Fresh, high quality fruits, vegetables, herbs, cut flowers, bedding plants, potted plants, and other agricultural products may be sold. All home-produced products (jams, jellies, baked goods, etc.) must comply with all State of Ohio cottage foods rules. See Cottage Foods Production Operation fact sheet bit.ly/3oHTcq3
 2. Vendors must clearly display the name of the farm or business and post prices for all items being sold, or individual products must be priced. All edible home-produced products must be individually labeled following cottage food rules.
 3. The majority of products should be grown or produced by the vendor in Ohio. At the discretion of the market management, exceptions may be made. Vendors who grow and/or produce their own product will have priority over those who sell products made or grown elsewhere.
 4. Vendors must provide a certificate of insurance with a minimum \$300,000.00 liability before participating in the market. The certificate must be submitted by April 14, 2022 for full-year vendors (or Wednesday prior to attending). Certificate holder is Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 142, Bluffton, OH 45817. Email to blufftonfarmersmarket@embarqmail.com or mailed to Greg Probst, 3463 SR 103, Bluffton, OH 45817.
 5. The insured adult must be listed as an applicant and be present at the market with underage staff.
 6. All vendors must describe products to be sold during the 2022 Market Season on the registration form.
 7. Vendors with products requiring refrigeration must provide their own refrigeration. They must also purchase a mobile food vendor license from the health department in the county where they reside.
 8. The 2022 season will begin Saturday, May 7, 2022 and end Saturday, October 29, 2022. The market will be open from 8:30 a.m. until noon.
 9. Fees for 2022 will be \$12.00 per week. The full year discounted fee is \$220.00 if paid by April 14, 2022. The annual fee secures a specific spot for the year. If you are unable to use your annual reservation for any reason, fees are not refundable.
- Make checks payable to Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce. Weekly fees may be paid with cash or check at the market.
10. Set up begins at 7:30 a.m. Vendors are not permitted in the parking lot before that time. Cones will be placed on reserved spots and the remainder of spots will be on a first come, first served basis.
 11. Stands must be operated in a safe, sanitary, and neat manner.
 - Canopies may only be used if tied or weighted down. Vendors will be asked to remove unsecured canopies.
 - Sales areas must be clear of garbage. Sellers must clean their spaces after each market. Please leave the space as clean as you found it.
 12. No smoking, vaping, or chewing tobacco in the vendor area. No pets in the vendor area.

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13. All vendors must be set up by 8:30 a.m. and stay until noon. Please see the manager if an emergency requires you to leave early.

14. Vendors who purchase a full-year reservation and are unable to make a market day, should contact the manager at blufftonfarmersmarket@embarqmail.com no later than 6:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. Failure to notify the manager may void the reservation for the remainder of the year. Please help us make the space available for another vendor for that day only. First absence without notice, we will remind you. Second and additional unannounced absences, \$6 penalty.

15. As always, a cordial attitude at the market and online is required. The success of the Market is based on your treatment of your customers and fellow vendors.

Any mishandled disagreements between either vendors or customers may lead to a dismissal from the Market. Any problems or concerns should be brought to the market manager for resolution.

The market manager and the Bluffton Area Chamber of Commerce are here to help you with any issues.

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New contact information for a returning vendor? Check if yes! _____

Full Season _____

Weekly Vendor _____

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Business Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell (if different): _____

E-Mail (to receive updates): _____

Website or Facebook: _____

Describe items you plan to sell at the Bluffton Farmers Market (use back for more space):

Items include: ___ Locally grown produce ___ Cottage foods ___ Baked good

___ Foods that require refrigeration _____

Permit / County issued

___ Foods that require home baker's license _____

License / County issued

Do you grow, make, and produce all items? If not, briefly list products and their origin:

I, the undersigned, have read and will comply with the 2022 Bluffton Farmers Market Rules and Regulations:

Vendor Signature

Date

Received by Greg Probst, Market Manager

Date

Received by Bluffton Chamber Director

Date