

Saluda Tailgate Market Rules & Regulations 2019
Fridays, May 3 - Oct 25
4:30-6:30 p.m.

The Saluda Business Association, Inc. sponsors the Saluda Tailgate Market for the City, in conjunction with Polk County Agricultural Economic Development, to provide the community with the highest quality agricultural products that are produced in Polk and surrounding counties. The nominal fees charged will be used to cover expenses and advertising. All vendors must complete the application form and be approved by the committee.

All vendors will abide by the following rules & regulations:

1. The market fee is \$5 which will be collected weekly by the organizers. You may choose to pay \$100 in May for the entire season and every effort will be made, whenever possible, during set up to give those paid in full consistent placement in the lot.
2. Vendor spaces may be shared by two small vendors if agreeable to all parties and approved by the committee.
3. Fresh produce must be grown by the vendor. Vendors must reside, grow, or produce in Polk or surrounding counties. Exceptions may be granted by the market committee in the interest of a balanced market. Purchasing out of county produce for resale is not allowed. Selling your neighbor's product along with your own must be approved by the market committee prior to set up and sale.
4. Other items that may be sold at the Market are eggs, dairy products, wild mushrooms, cut/dried flowers, pickles, relishes, preserves, jams, jellies, honey, baked goods, perennial, annual, and native plants. These items must be locally grown, produced locally, and by using local ingredients whenever possible.
5. All value-added products must be produced by the vendor, contain local content, and be approved by the committee.
6. Vendors are required to comply with all applicable Federal, state and local laws and regulations in the production of food products, such as preserves, pickles, relishes, jams, jellies, baked goods, wine, etc. Processed foods must comply with NCDA regulations and vendors must provide a copy of any certification or license with their application. No low-acid canned foods such as green beans, corn, peas, carrots, etc. may be sold.
7. All vendors will be set up and ready for sales by the start of the appointed Market time of 4:30 p.m. and will stay until the official close time of 6:30 p.m.
8. Only one 10' space per vendor is permitted. The committee designates space location for each market.
9. Each vendor will be responsible for keeping his/her space clean and safe and will make sure it is clean prior to leaving the lot.
10. No flea market, re-sale, or handy-craft items will be sold at the Market except at Special Events, which will be announced by the organizers.
11. Vendors must provide their own equipment, scales, bags, and packaging.

12. Each vendor will be responsible for their own records and any collection and/or payment of applicable sales taxes. Vendors are responsible for staying abreast of all new state and local regulations. **Please re-read the February 14, 2014 press release from the North Carolina Department of Revenue that is attached to your application and provide either a tax number or statement of attestation below that form.**

13. Courtesy and respect by all vendors for each other and the customers are expected at all times. Public intoxication is unacceptable.

14. Any item not deemed suitable for the market by the committee shall be removed immediately. If the vendor does not comply, he/she will be asked to leave and will not be invited back.

15. Smoking is not allowed anywhere on the premises at anytime.

16. Dogs are not permitted in the Market

17. Vendors shall be equipped for all weather conditions and are expected to attend on rainy days.

18. Regular vendors will, if possible, notify the organizers at least a week in advance if unable to attend.

19. All vendors shall have adequate signage with current prices clearly displayed for all products.

20. **This is an agricultural market and vendors are not allowed to solicit for “second causes”. No raffles or information distribution for organizations or other businesses are allowed. No collections of funds for other organizations are allowed. Please abide!**

21. Vendors are encouraged to provide free samples, recipes, and use instructions for products. Please make every effort to avoid non-locally produce products with your samples.

22. The Saluda Tailgate Market committee reserves the right, in the interest of a balanced market, to accept or reject vendors.

Saluda Tailgate Market Organizers:

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