

Hillsborough Farmers' Market 2008 New Member Application

Thank you for your interest in the Hillsborough Farmers' Market.

Please read the accompanying market guidelines, completely fill out this application form and mail it along with a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to: **Beverly Blythe, 1208 Carr Store Road, Cedar Grove, NC 27231**. You will be notified by mail using the envelope you include regarding acceptance or rejection of your application. Your application will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and evaluated on the following criteria: 1.) Determine if your product(s) comply with market guidelines, 2.) Evaluate how your product(s) fits with the needs of the market and 3.) Consider availability of vendor spaces at the market. Priority is given to those applications received by January 15, 2008. Applications received after that deadline will be reviewed and responded to within 30 days.

Newly accepted member vendors must attend the market's annual membership meeting in early spring and pay their annual membership fees (make checks payable to the *Hillsborough Farmers Market*) at that time. Membership fee for the 2008 Market season is \$50.00. Approved new members may begin selling at the first market of the season. 2008 Market Season begins March 22, 2008. *Questions? Call the market manager at (919) 732-8315*

Farm or Business
Name _____

Address of Farm or Business _____

County _____

Name(s) of owner(s) _____

Phone number _____ Cell phone number _____

e-mail address _____

Website URL (if applicable) _____

Mailing Address (if different from above) _____

Names of helpers who may assist you at market _____

Applying for space at? Saturday Market only _____ Wednesday Market only _____ Both _____

When do you intend to start selling? _____ How many weeks do you plan to sell? _____

In signing and submitting an application form to the HFM, the individual vendor is making a commitment to sell at the market every Saturday or Wednesday of the season, with the exception of those Saturdays or Wednesdays for which the member vendor has notified the Market Manager in advance that he or she will not be participating in the market. **Vendors who only intend to sell for part of the season are welcome, but for planning purposes, they must let the Market Manager know in advance when they will not be there.**

Vendor Category: Farm _____ Value –Added Farm _____ Craft _____
(Please review categories as described in the Market Guidelines) Check those applicable and indicate approximate percentage of product that you plan to sell in each category. (Example: Daisy Farm plans to sell eggs, fresh cut daisies and soap all produced on their farm. They may indicate “Farm” 90% and “Value-Added Farm” 10% - indicating that 90% of their product offering will be eggs and daisies, and 10% soaps)

Briefly describe the produce or product (s) you plan to sell at the market. **(Only the products types identified on this application may be sold)** If your product is a craft please consider sending a representative photo of the items you wish to sell.

How much area do you have in production? _____

How long have you been gardening/farming/baking/crafting:

If you are baking or selling other food items is your kitchen approved by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture? Yes ___ No ___ Please submit a copy of your inspection report with this application.

Do you sell or have you sold at other farmers’ markets in the area? (Please identify and advise years of participation)

How do you currently market your products? _____

Please provide a brief marketing description of your business and its products (This will be included on the Hillsborough Farmers market website – www.hillsboroughfarmersmarket.org) _____

I acknowledge I have been provided with a copy of the Membership Guidelines governing the operation of the Hillsborough Farmers' Market and I will abide by these market policies and rules. I further agree to allow representatives of the market to visit the premises where the products I intend to sell are produced if requested.

As a condition of membership, I agree to release and hold harmless the Hillsborough Farmers' Market, its directors, officers and volunteers from all claims relating to property damage or personal injury to myself, my family members and employees arising from such membership.

Signature _____ Date _____

-----**For market use only**-----

Application received by _____ Date _____

Site visit made by _____ **Date** _____

Copies of applicable licenses received _____ Date _____

Approval _____ Date _____