2019 Rules and Regulations of the Bethlehem Farmers’ Market

1. “Producer-only Farmer’s Market”: The Bethlehem Farmers’ Market (the “Farmers’ Market”) is a “producer-only farmers’ market.”

   a. Participants must produce or grow their own items. Resale of items purchased by the Participant is prohibited without prior approval of the Farmers’ Market Manager.

   b. If the Farmers’ Market Manager permits a Participant to sell a product that the Participant has not produced or grown (a “Supplemental Product”), the Supplemental Product must be clearly labeled. The label must indicate the name of the farm/business from which the item was purchased, the producer/farm’s name, and the producer/farm’s address. The Farmers’ Market Manager reserves the right to prohibit Participants from selling such products (even if previously approved) if he or she determines that such products will harm the integrity of the Farmers’ Market.

      i. All Supplemental Products MUST be produced locally – in the Greater Lehigh Valley.

2. Local: As part of the Farmers’ Market’s partnership with the Lehigh Valley chapter of Buy Fresh Buy Local, all products must be raised, grown, or made locally (in the Greater Lehigh Valley). Our intention is to represent the local farming and business community.

   a. Products may consist of the following: fruits and vegetables; plants, herbs, and flowers; honey and bee products; jams, jellies, and preserves; dairy products; eggs; grains; maple syrup; meat and poultry; cider and fruit juices; dried fruits; breads and other baked goods; and approved handmade clothing, crafts, and artistry.

   b. Baked goods or lunch items must be made from scratch. Any such items containing fruits or vegetables must utilize locally grown produce whenever possible, if in season.

3. Attendance and Participation:

   a. Attendance on Market Days: Participants who agree to join the Bethlehem Farmers’ Market are required to attend the market each week that it is open. The 2019 Farmers’ Market season runs each Thursday from May 2 through October 31.

      i. Participants are limited to three (3) excused absences during the course of the season. Since the market operates rain or shine, missing the market due to inclement weather will not be considered an excused absence.

      ii. Absences may not take place on Opening and Closing Days.

      iii. In the event that a Participant must miss a market day [for a non-emergency], (s)he must inform the Market Manager at least a week prior.

   b. In the event of an emergency, the Participant must inform the Market Manager as soon as possible.

   c. Unexcused absences may result in the termination of the Participant’s Participation Agreement, loss of deposit, and termination of its ability to operate at the Farmers’ Market.
b. **Set-up and Clean-up:** The Farmers’ Market opens at 10:00 am and closes at 2:00 pm.
   
i. Participants are expected to be set-up and ready for business by 10:00 am. Participants are limited to three late arrivals or set-ups per season. If Participant is later than 11:00am, it will count as an unexcused absence.
   
ii. Participants are not permitted to clean-up before the market is officially closed at 2:00 pm without written permission from the Farmers’ Market Manager or if the Farmers’ Market Manager approves closure based on inclement weather. At Farmers’ Market Manager’s sole discretion, an exception may be made if the Participant must leave to sell at Macungie Farmers Market.

c. **Inclement Weather:** The Farmers’ Market is open **rain or shine** and is rarely cancelled for inclement weather. Unless specifically instructed by the Farmers’ Market Manager, Participants must show up for the market regardless of the forecast. In the event of inclement weather, the Market Manager will decide whether or not the market will be held.

4. **Required Equipment:** Participants are required to have:
   
a. A Tent, measuring 10’x10’
   
b. Tent weights or ties used at all times and for windy conditions
   
c. A banner displaying the name of their business
   
d. Clearly labeled products and prices
   
e. An approved hand washing station if handling prepared foods

5. **Required Permits:** Participants are responsible for obtaining any special permits or approvals necessary for the sale of its Goods and are required to have the following permits/licenses from the City of Bethlehem:
   
a. Health Department
   
b. Fire Department
      
i. Needed only if cooking or heating food.
      
ii. Requires a Certificate of Insurance naming the City of Bethlehem as additionally insured.
   
c. Bethlehem City Tax License

6. **Participant Space(s):** Upon signing the Participation Agreement, the Farmers’ Market Manager will, in his or her sole discretion, assign the Participant a specific space in Farrington Square. The Farmers’ Market Manager may move or relocate Participant spaces, as needed, during the Farmers’ Market season.

7. **Standards of Behavior:**
   
a. Participants and their employees and/or representative shall at all times conduct themselves in a civil manner, respectful of other Participants, customers, Farmers’ Market Manager, and others.
   
b. Participants and their employees and/or representatives may not smoke at the Farmers’ Market, including during set-up and clean-up, or within 15 feet of any Lehigh University building.
   
c. Participants and their employees and/or representatives may not consume alcoholic beverages at the Farmers’ Market, including during set-up and clean-up.
   
d. Participants and their employees and/or representatives may not inappropriately approach, intimidate, or question the selling, growing, or production practices of another participant or its employees or representatives. Any and all concerns about or between participants should be brought to the immediate attention of the Farmers’ Market Manager.
LEHIGH UNIVERSITY: PARTICIPANT:

By: ______________________

By: ______________________

Name: _____________________

Name: _____________________

Title: ______________________

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