

EAST TEXAS STATE FAIR FARMERS MARKET

Market Location: **Park of East Texas/East Texas State
Fairgrounds, South Pavilion**
2112 W. Front St.
Tyler, TX 75702

Market Opens: First Saturday in May

Market Days: Saturdays and Tuesdays

Market Hours: 7:00am - 1:00pm

Market Closes: Last Saturday in July

RAIN OR SHINE!

REQUIREMENTS OF VENDORS/ BYLAWS

1. **This shall be a growers market only.** All produce sold will be grown by the vendor. All vendors should be residents of Smith County, or an adjacent county.
2. Application fee/member dues, will be \$35.00 paid yearly. A \$10.00 per day usage fee must be paid to the **East Texas State Fair**. This is payable in cash, or check. Checks must be made out to The East Texas State Fair.
 *At the present time, vendors selling non-food, craft items, are exempt from the yearly \$35.00 membership fee. However, they are required to pay the \$10.00 per day usage fee to the State Fair. This fee is for the amenities we use, i.e; restrooms, electricity, water..
3. All vendors must submit a completed signed application. The market reserves the right to refuse participation to an applicant.
4. All produce vendors may be subject to a farm visit/check before being permitted a space at the market. This may not be limited to only one visit. The Market reserves the right to re-visit any farm at the discretion of the Market.
 * Any perennial crop, such as, but not limited to, peaches, plums, blue berries, black berries, apples, pecans, etc... must be grown on property owned by the vendor selling the crop.
5. All vendors should display a sign with their name, city, and county. This information is required if the vendor is accepting the FMNP (WIC) vouchers. All vendor signage, banners and advertising material, must be contained within the 10 x 20 space allotted.
6. All products should be clearly labeled and priced. The prices **must** be marked and visible to accept the FMNP (WIC) vouchers.
7. No hawking of items is allowed.
8. It is the responsibility of each vendor to abide by all state and federal regulations governing the production, harvesting, preparation, preservation, labeling and/or safety of the products they offer. The vendor is solely responsible for any damages resulting from the sale of unsafe, unsound or unapproved goods.
 * There is limited liability covering accidents on the fair grounds.
9. The arts and crafts must be handmade or an original item by the artist. No resale of mass produced items will be allowed.
10. Sale of live animals is prohibited.
11. Fraudulent, dishonest or deceptive merchandising, disruptive behavior, or collusion to set prices among vendors is strictly prohibited, and will result in suspension or termination of selling privileges.

12. Each vendor is required to clean up his/her stall space. All boxes should be broken down and placed in the dumpster with all other garbage.

13. Vendors may bring shelled peas to Market. They must be freshly shelled and maintained on ice.

14. Sale of fresh eggs is permitted. Eggs must be refrigerated at a temperature of 45°F, or less. Eggs must be in new cartons, should be marked “ungraded” and must have the producers name and contact information on each carton.

15. NO COLD STORAGE ITEMS. All produce must be of fresh, merchantable, quality.

16. Items sold under the Cottage Food Act, must be on the approved list. This list is available at; <http://texascottagefoodlaw.com/Frequently-Asked-Questions>. All Cottage Food vendors must comply with all state guidelines and are required to obtain the proper food handlers certification as per the state. Vendors selling cottage food items must have a copy of their food handlers certification available at the market.

17. The Market reserves the right to revise the rules and operation at any time.

18. **All vendors must be set up and ready to sell by 7:00am and must stay until the market closing at 1:00pm. NO EXCEPTIONS! This is due to insurance regulations.** Emergencies will be dealt with as needed.

This is a farmer run market, all volunteer. As a member, it is maintained by us. Please help where and when you can.