

## Brooksville Farmers' Market 2026 Season

Application Form for All Vendors (Farmers, Artists, Foodies Etc)

Please fill out the form below:

Email to Windy Dayton at – bfmmanager2016@gmail.com

Mail it to Windy Dayton 310 Cape Rosier road Harborside ME 04642

The Brooksville Farmers' Market will convene every Wednesday in the parking lot adjacent to the Brooksville Community Center. The hours for the 2026 season will be 9:00am to 11:30 AM, with the Market beginning on June 10 and ending on September 16th. That is a 14-week market. Please reach out to Windy with any questions!

What you are selling: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Dates you will participate in the Market:

Permanent member: Full Season (June 10-Sept 16) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Vendor: Partial Season (list the dates)

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### Business Information

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your address (mailing/summer): \_\_\_\_\_

Your business or farm name \_\_\_\_\_

Your website and social media addresses: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Completion and submission of this application implies your agreement with the 2026 BROOKSVILLE FARMERS' MARKET GUIDELINES (below)

## BROOKSVILLE FARMERS' MARKET GUIDELINES 2026

MISSION STATEMENT: To support, encourage and promote sustainable living communities by helping directly connect local farmers and food producers with local customers, and in the process, foster an appreciation and better awareness of Maine's rural resources.

### I. PARTICIPATION

A. The Brooksville Farmers' Market focuses primarily on local growers of fruits, vegetables and other agricultural products; local producers of "added value" items such as baked goods, pickles, preserves, local people involved in raising and processing poultry and livestock, and local fishermen involved in catching and processing Maine seafood products from nearby waters. Our secondary focus is on Brooksville area non profits and groups as well as local kid entrepreneurs. Space is also made available for local crafts people, writers, artists, prioritizing Brooksville area residents.

B. Any local vendor interested in joining the Brooksville Farmers' Market for the 2026 season must complete and submit the Vendor Application Form. The Farmers' Market Manager will reply to each vendor with a decision, confirming the vendor as a member of the 2026 Farmers' Market or with any further questions if additional information is needed in order to make a final decision based on the guidelines or on market need for product(s) to be sold. Priority will be given to Brooksville-based vendors. Stall location is determined on a first come first serve basis, once the above information has been received and vendor confirmation has been made. Preference will be given to those vendors who are returning in 2026, based on the same spot they had the previous year.

C. It is recognized that although members sell as individuals, the market is a cohesive unit - its success depends on the cooperation and joint effort of all the vendors as a whole. Our goal is to have a vibrant and successful Farmers' Market with an array of products that helps benefit the Brooksville community and is an enjoyable experience for vendors and consumers alike.

D. Vendors or their family members, must make, grow, raise or catch 100 percent of the products they sell at the Brooksville Farmers' Market. Items purchased for resale are strictly forbidden, as are any items that do not meet the above vendor description. If you have a question about whether an item fits the above requirements, please ask the market manager first before attempting to sell it at the market. Local farms are allowed to partner together on selling each others' items should they wish to do so, but only if it is done without any resale price mark up of products sold.

E. The Farmers' Market will take place every Wednesday next to the Brooksville Community Center with hours for the 2026 season as follows: 9:00am to 11:30pm, beginning on June 10th and ending on September 16th, for a total of 14weeks.

F. Dues:

Collected by the On Site Manager Checks payable to: Brooksville Farmers Market

**Permanent vendors:** \$70.00 for the entire season, due at the first market unless another plan is coordinated with the market manager.

**Guest Vendors:** \$10 per market

Dues support the market, including advertising, and supplies etc. These funds will be kept at Camden National Bank under The Brooksville Farmers Market account, and managed by the Treasurer.

G. Attendance: Permanent Members are expected to attend at least 12 of the 14 markets, barring unexpected circumstances. Please alert the Market Manager of any potential schedule conflicts as soon as possible, as there are guest vendors waiting for an opening. We want to have all stalls filled each week.

H. Please arrive no later than 8:30 am to set up or we are not able to guarantee your spot. Please do not break down your stall until the close of market at 11:30. In order to provide a safe environment for vendors and customers, no vehicles may move in the parking lot from 8:45-11:45

## II. MARKET MANAGER

A. There will be an onsite Manager for each Market day. The On Site Manager will make any decisions relating to the market when the need arises. Such decisions by the On site Manager include the allocation of spots for each vendor and ensuring compliance of vendors with the market guidelines. The aim of the market is to provide vendors with an opportunity to sell their local products as described above under "Participation" in a friendly and positive manner, and to provide visitors to the market with an opportunity to purchase fresh farm produce and other local products, in a pleasant and enjoyable atmosphere.

## III. MARKET SITE

A. Layout of the Market will be determined by the Market Manager in consultation with the property owners where the market is held.

B. Parking arrangements are subject to approval by the property owners.

C. The Community Center Building is available for use during the Farmers' Market on rainy days, provided it has not been already booked by someone else on that day. It must be left in at least as good a condition as it is found when used by the Farmers' Market. No vendor may remove anything from the Community Center (chairs, tables, etc.) without the permission of the Community Center Committee. Community Center rest rooms are available for use by vendors and visitors during market hours.

D. Market Map will be determined by the Market Manager and members of the Steering Committee. All vendors are invited to put in requests for location, however we cannot guarantee each request can be satisfied, as we need to take into account multiple variables and what is best for the market as a whole. Returning, permanent vendors have placement priority. All members agree to follow the map once approved by the membership.

#### IV. MARKET OPERATION

A. No sales may be made before the opening of the market at 9:00 a.m. This is per the agreement of vendors at the conclusion of the 2011 season.

B. Knowledge of and compliance with all state regulations, rules and recommendations, including liability insurance, regarding the production, labeling, display and sale of all products at the Farmers' Market is the sole responsibility of the participating individual vendor. Sales tax must be collected as required by Maine State law. Maine's sales and use tax law requires tax collection on non-edibles such as crafts. It is the responsibility of each vendor to obtain their own tax numbers, and be familiar with which of their items are taxable, and to collect such taxes and forward them to the State Treasurer.

C. Processors of homemade foods such as pickles, jams, baked goods etc. must comply with Chapter 345 of the Department of Agriculture requirements and assume responsibility for licensing, inspection, etc. For the sale of baked goods (defined as breads, rolls, buns, flatbreads, cakes, cookies, pies, and other pastries) and in accordance with Maine State regulations, such baked goods must be displayed unpackaged in a manner that allows customers to directly select their choice of the baked goods for purchase.

D. Eggs, fish, meat, dairy products, and any prepared local food items for sale, must be handled in a manner according to and acceptable to Maine STATE REGULATIONS which is the responsibility of the individual vendor to be fully informed about (e.g. product must be kept in a clean cooler or on ice or under refrigeration, among other State requirements).

E. Department of Agriculture law requires that fresh produce must be displayed at least 6 inches off the floor.

F. All produce sold by weight must be weighed for the customer at the Market site. Only scales carrying current certification by the Department of Weights and Measures will be allowed, in compliance with State of Maine law.

G. Vendors engaged in growing and selling plants of all kinds must obtain a license from the Maine State Department of Agriculture.

H. Individual vendors are responsible for knowing and abiding by any applicable state and federal laws, and for keeping abreast of any changes to those laws from season to season and during the season.

## V. APPEARANCE AND CONDUCT

A. Vendors will deal with the public in a courteous and appropriate manner, exercising consideration for the other vendors and the general public. No shouting or hawking of products.

B. Vendors are responsible for their own areas, and will supply all necessary trash containers, and will leave their site clean and in a condition suitable to the Market and property owner.

C. We encourage all vendors to set up in such a way as to make the Farmers' Market visually appealing to visitors, as a nice way to buy local products and socialize in the community.

D. No pets are allowed at the market

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