



GUEST FARMER POLICY (MARCH, 2015)

Definition of a guest farmer

If a particular product is not grown locally, participation at the Market may be extended to a guest farmer who has been invited by the committee to sell their product at the market. A guest farmer must meet the criteria described in rule 9(2)(b-e) (Qualifications for Membership) of the Farmers Market Constitution, but is not required to be a member of BFMInc. A guest farmer arrangement will only be permitted in one-off circumstances, not on a regular basis, and where it is not in conflict with an existing member. Guest farmers may only sell the type of produce or value added product which has been approved by BFMInc for sale by that guest farmer.

Principles

Guest Farmers may only sell approved produce for the period approved and thereafter no further produce from that farmer shall be allowed to be sold, as this would be in breach of our committed position stated to customers that our markets ethic was to support seasonal, fresh, local produce.

Guest farmers shall not be approved to sell any produce that is already in the market (even if their version is value added) and that no guest farmers value added product can continue to be offered after the guest farmer period of approval has ended, as this is considered on-selling. Guest farmers reapply each year, (Application Fee of \$110 applies), and stipulate the time frame that their produce will be available.