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Dear Farmers' Market Applicant,

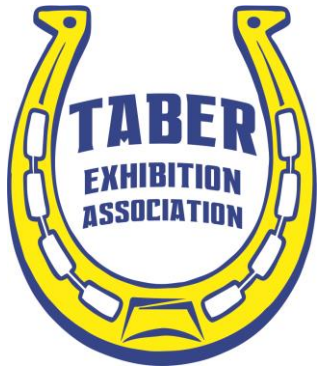
Thank you for your interest in the 2017 Taber Exhibition Association Alberta Approved Farmers' Market. The 2017 season begins on June 15th and concludes on September 14th.

We will do our best to accommodate as many applicants as possible while still providing a good market mix. It is necessary that the rules from the Alberta Farmers' Market Association are adhered to strictly when selecting vendors. Whether you are a returning vendor or a new applicant we ask that you read through the applicant's package thoroughly.

Sincerely,

Amanda Valgardson
Market Manager
Taber Exhibition Association





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**A PROUD ALBERTA APPROVED FARMERS' MARKET WHERE YOU
MAKE IT, BAKE IT, GROW IT AND SELL IT!**

Objectives of an Alberta Approved Farmers' Market are:

- To maintain and provide the opportunity for profitable and direct market access of safe and high quality Alberta Agricultural and Agri-Food products to the consumer.
- To provide a framework allowing for a direct sales outlet for safe and high quality handcrafted goods and processed foods, produced in accordance with provincial and federal regulations.
- To enhance community development and build community relationships for Albertans within Alberta's rural and urban settings.
- To provide an opportunity for vendors and managers to acquire the knowledge and to develop the skills needed to maximize the potential success of an Alberta Approved Farmers' Market.

Who is eligible to sell at an Alberta Approved Farmers' Market?

- Alberta residents;
- Alberta agricultural producers;
- Individual Albertans that make, bake or grow their own products.

What may be sold at an Alberta Approved Farmers' Market?

- Vendors at the Taber Exhibition Association Farmers' Market are classed according to the 80/20 rule.
- 80% of the vendors must sell products that they have made, baked, grown or produced in Alberta.
- 20% of the vendors must sell products that will complement the market mix. The sale of products by distributors, franchises, existing storefront owners or the resale of any products is discouraged. Sales by agricultural, commodity or Agri-Food Association are allowed provided that their products complement the existing market mix and they meet the requirements of who may sell. The sale of used goods or flea market products is strictly prohibited at an Alberta Approved Farmers' Market.

Alberta Farmers' Market Association: www.albertamarkets.com

Rules & Regulations

The Taber Exhibition Association reserves the right to deny any vendor space and may require vendors to leave the market in the event that the said vendor fails to or refuses to abide by the following rules and regulations set out below.

- Vendors will not be spaced without:
 1. Payment
 2. Completed & Signed Contract
 3. Copy of Liability Insurance (if applicable)
 4. A Complete List of All Items Being Sold
 5. Food Handling Permit (if applicable)

Initials _____

- Vendor payment is due in full by June 1st, 2017. NO Refunds will be given at any time.

Initials _____

- No vendor shall be granted more space than the space paid for.

- Vendors must visually display a business name and phone number at their booth.

(Some sort of professional looking signage is required. Business cards are not sufficient enough.)

- Vendors must cover their table(s) with a clean table cloth provided by the vendor.

- Vendors are responsible for keeping their booth clean & tidy during and after the market.

- Vendors are responsible for providing their own clean up after the Market.

- Vendors must include a list of ingredients and allergens on all food products being sold.

- Prices must be displayed visually for all products.

- Certification must be included with contracts (if applicable)
 - o Certification of Government Inspected Meats
 - o Certification of Organic Products
 - o Taber Exhibition Association Vendor Declaration
 - o Food Handling Permits – every vendor who handles food will need to be certified by June to remain in good standing. Food Handling Courses are offered by Alberta Health Services and are free of charge. If you are not certified please call your local AHS Office to register for your course.

Initials _____

- All producers must display grade, date packaged and best before date on their product.

- Previously frozen products must be labeled with the original date of freezing.

- Weighed items must be weighed on a scale that has been inspected and approved by federal authorities. The inspection sticker “legal for trade” must be displayed on the scale.

- Full product guarantee is to be offered by all vendors. The vendor will replace the product free of charge or return the money to the customer.

Initials _____

- In the case a vendor sells out, they must display a professional sold out sign and leave their table covered until the end of the market. However, vendors are expected to provide enough product to last throughout the market.
- There will be no price undercutting. Prices are to be visually marked.
- Vendors may offer a discount to volume buyers only.
- New products to be introduced must be requested in writing and approved by the Market Manager.
- Setup may begin at 4:00PM. No vendor shall pack up before 7:00 P.M.
- Subletting and sharing of booth space will not be permitted without Market Manager approval.
- After payment has been received by the Taber Exhibition Association, your contact information will appear on our exhibitor lists. By signing the rules and regulations sheet, you give permission to the Taber Exhibition Association to give out your information on the exhibitor lists and to distribute these lists as the Market Manager deems appropriate.

Initials _____

- No vendor will offer food(s) that run in direct competition of the Taber Exhibition Association Concession/Kitchen.
- Vendors must provide a regulation fire extinguisher in their booth if they are providing cooked products.
- The sale of food products in the Taber Exhibition Association Farmers' Market is strictly controlled by Alberta Health Services. Information can be obtained by calling your local AHS office.
- The Public Health Act Food Regulations will be adhered to.

Initials _____

- No raw milk products in accordance with Federal Law.
- No internationally imported fruits or vegetables will be permitted.
- Raffle draws, free draws and other draws must be approved by the Market Manager.
- Taber Exhibition Association reserves the right to make changes, additions or deletions to the Taber Exhibition Association Farmers' Market contract at any time.
- No smoking within the facilities.
- Propane cylinders will not be allowed within the building.
- No signage representing the Taber Exhibition Association or any Taber Exhibition Association sponsors can be covered or removed.
- In the event that a vendor damages or causes to be damaged, any property or equipment belonging to the Taber Exhibition Association, the Taber Exhibition Association may repair the damage and charge the cost to the vendor.

Initials _____

- Taber Exhibition Association is not responsible for any lost, damaged or stolen property.

Initials _____

- **Vendors MUST carry and show proof with their contract of personal liability insurance for all contracts listing food items as being sold by the vendor.** For non-edible products it is recommended that the vendor have insurance for their own protection.

Initials _____

- Offensive behavior displayed to either fellow vendors, members of the public, Taber Exhibition Association staff or volunteers will not be tolerated.
- The Taber Exhibition Association deems the right to deny any vendor space.
- Any infraction to Farmers' Market rules and regulations by the vendor may result in immediate dismissal at the Market Manager's discretion.
- The Market Manager has full control of operations and conduct in the market.

Name (printed): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Market Manager Approval: _____

Farmers' Market Dates *Vendors – please check off the dates you will be attending*

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

All Markets are held INDOORS at the Taber Agri-Plex, excluding the August 24th date.

____ June 15, 2016

____ June 22, 2016

____ June 29, 2016

____ July 6, 2016

____ July 13, 2016

____ July 20, 2016

____ July 27, 2016

____ August 3, 2016

____ August 10, 2016

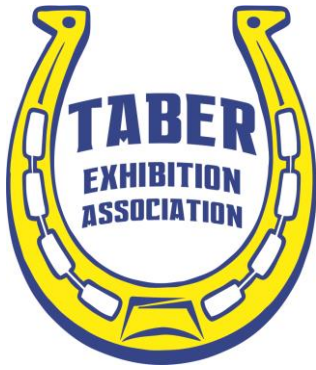
____ August 17, 2016

____ **August 24, 2016 **CORNFEST** Location: Town of Taber Admin Building Parking Lot
This will be an OUTDOOR Market.**

____ August 31, 2016

____ September 7, 2016

____ September 14, 2016



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2017 Farmers' Market Vendor Declaration

Eligibility Criteria

- Priority will be given to Primary Producers.
- Vendors are chosen to represent a good market mix.
- Vendors must be in good standing with the Taber Exhibition Association and Alberta Health Services.
- Priority will be given to Vendors who commit to the entire market season.

The Vendor

1. Is your product sold wholesale or available at a retail outlet? YES NO
If YES, please indicate where _____

2. Do you attend other Farmers' Markets? YES NO
If YES, please indicate where _____

I certify that I personally make, bake, grow or raise all products in Alberta. YES NO

Meat Vendors

Are you the primary producer of the meat for sale? (Raised on your land) YES NO
Land Location _____

B.C. Fruit Vendors

Are you the primary producer of the fruit for sale? (Grown on your land) YES NO
Land Location _____ Total Acres _____

Using items listed on the product listing, please indicate which products you buy from other orchards and/or Berry Co-Ops and bring to the Market if applicable. By not filling out this portion you are indicating that you are the primary grower of ALL fruit listed and displayed at the Market.

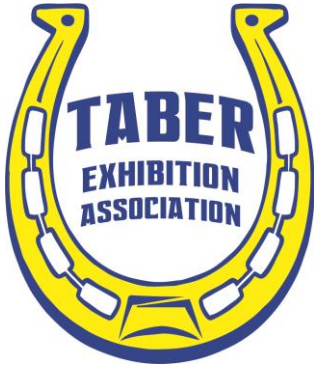
The Taber Exhibition Association reserves the right to verify all product sources as deemed necessary to maintain consistency and individuality of the Market for the benefit of all served by the Market.

I hereby certify that all the information I have provided in this application is accurate and true, and that I have read and agree to comply by the rules and regulations set forth by the Taber Exhibition Association.



**Farmers'
Market**

Signature of the Applicant _____ Date _____



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2017 Farmers' Market Application Form

Items are Made, Baked, Grown or Produced in Alberta? _____ YES _____ NO

2017 Season Vendor Table (Thursday's, June 15-Sept 14, 2017) \$ 157.50 x _____ = \$ _____

Additional Tables \$ 136.50 x _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Casual Vendor Table (Week by week) \$ 20.00 x _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Do you require power? _____ YES _____ NO

Products Sold

(List all products. You must indicate which items are purchased from other producers.
For produce and food items, you must be specific.)

Vendor Name _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ Town _____ Prov _____ Postal Code _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Signature _____ Date _____

PAID \$ _____ on the _____ day of _____ 20_____

Payment method (please circle) CASH CHQ # _____

T.E.A. Market Manager Approval _____ Vendor # _____