



2024 DATES:

May 18
July 20
September 21

June 15
August 17
October 19

Dear Friend,

The Village of Spring Grove Community Engagement Committee would love to have you join us for a Farmers' Market. *The cost of a booth is \$150 for the year or \$25 for single market visits. Sign up before January 1, 2024 to get the discounted yearly fee of \$100.* The market will be held at Main Street Park - 2008 Main Street, Spring Grove, Illinois 60081 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **New in 2024 will be The Grove offering breakfast and beverages (non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages) during market hours.**

The approximate booth size is 10' x 10'. **The fee includes the booth space only and does not include tent, tables, chairs or electric. Electricity is not available and generators are allowed.** Due to our low booth fees, we may not be able to accommodate vendors by prorating the booth fee if you are unable to attend all dates.

Please complete and return the enclosed application, along with your payment to the address provided.

Be sure to read the rules and regulations. Directions and further information will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

We look forward to your participation in the 2024 Village of Spring Grove Farmers Market. If you have any questions, please contact **Kelly Popelka at 815-675-2121** or email info@springgrovevillage.com.

Best Regards,

Village of Spring Grove
Community Engagement Committee

Farmers' Market Rules & Regulations

ALL VENDORS AGREE THE OPERATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE'S FARMERS MARKET IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING RULES AND FURTHER AGREE THAT THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE HAS FULL AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET AND ENFORCE THE RULES TO ENSURE A SUCCESSFUL MARKET.



1. **LOCATION:** Summer market will be located at Main Street Park - 2008 Main Street, Spring Grove, Illinois 60081.
2. **HOURS OF OPERATION:** Hours of Operation for summer market are from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or as amended by the Village. Vendor set-up times will begin at 8:00 am in May through October. Vendors must be in their space by ½ hour before market opening and be set up by market opening. Vendors will need to unload their vehicles and move them before setting up their booths. All vendors must keep their booths open until the market closes. If unable to attend, contact the market manager.
3. **SPACES:** The Village has sole discretion in deciding which applications fit with the "market's needs" and reserve the right to deny an applicant. No multi-level marketing or manufactured items will be allowed. All spaces will be marked and assigned by the Village and will be the same every month during the duration of the summer market. Each space is 10' x 10'. Vendors are responsible for providing their own display materials, tents or canopies which must be free standing, tables, and chairs. There is no access to electricity and generators are allowed. There will be no sub-letting of market spaces by producers.
4. **BOOTH OPERATION:** Vendors are expected to stay until the end of market hours. If they are sold out, they should leave their tent and tables set up. Booths should be staffed at all times by someone 16 years of age or older, except for bathroom breaks. All children under the age of 8 years old must stay within the boundary of the vendors booth space from arrival to departure of the vendor unless under the direct supervision of an adult. Any activity that is disruptive to the Market by the vendors will not be permitted.
5. **SPACE RENTAL/FEES:** The Village will review all applications. Payment is due with the application. Refunds will not be given for dates the producer fails to show up for the market or in case of rain.
6. **TENTS:** All tents and coverings must be secured against wind. No stakes are permitted. Those vendors with inadequately secured tents or coverings may be required to dismantle and remove them.
7. **INCLEMENT WEATHER.** All vendors are expected to come rain or shine.
8. **GOODS OFFERED FOR SALE:** Vendors may sell produce, eggs, baked goods, canned goods, honey, teas, herbs, spices, fresh flowers, soap and bath products, candles, dog treats, or other hand-crafted goods or value added specialty products as determined by the Village. This is NOT the appropriate venue for any type of manufactured items (new, used, or resale), MLM or home-based product sales business, service providers and other businesses to set up a marketing booth. No vendor has an exclusive on what is sold. We will do our best to not place like vendors next to each other. No Guarantees. **If a vendor wishes to add a new item at the beginning or any time during the season, the Village must approve the addition.**
 - A. **Eggs.** Vendors must have a USDA permit to sell eggs at the market. Pullets must be owned for 30 days before eggs can be sold. Refrigeration must meet the McHenry County Health Department requirements. Refrigeration is required if more than 20 dozen eggs are brought to the market.

- B. *Baked Goods.* Bakers must bake in a licensed kitchen and have their certified food handler license. Sampling must be by McHenry County Department of Health rules. Please call McHenry County Health Department for a food vendor application and more information at 815-334-4510.
 - C. *Those vendors selling “Organic” products* must provide Certification information to the market.
 - D. *Produce Sales.* Producers cannot sell indirectly through stores, restaurants, or other wholesale venues. Non-perishable items can be shipped within Illinois. Producers need to register with the McHenry County Health Department before they can sell. Please call McHenry County Health Department for more information at 815-334-4510.
9. **COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS:** All producers are responsible for obtaining all necessary county or state health and/or other permits and are responsible for compliance with all state and federal food and drug laws including proper labeling.
 10. **SALES TAX:** Vendors retain all proceeds from sales and are responsible for collecting and reporting any/all sales tax.
 11. **INSURANCE.** The Village of Spring Grove expects participants to carry liability insurance for their own protection. Vendors are not covered under any Village insurance including worker’s compensation, medical, liability, etc.
 12. **MARKET ETIQUETTE:** Vendors are expected to wear attire that maintains the wholesome atmosphere of a farm market (i.e., must wear shirts and shoes, etc.). Vendors are prohibited from hawking, crying out, or engaging in activity designed to attract attention to their products. In the interest of fair trade, vendors disparaging other vendors’ goods or the Village risk expulsion from the market and forfeiture of their space rental fees including full season fee payments. Concerns about other producers’ products should be kept confidential and directed to the Village.
 13. **SMOKING:** Vendors and their associates cannot smoke in the sales area during market hours.
 14. **PARKING:** Vendors will need to relocate their personal vehicles to offsite parking at the Spring Grove Grade School after unloading for the convenience of customers.
 15. **TRASH:** Trash receptacles will be located throughout the site but they may not be brought into individual booths.
 16. **CLEAN-UP:** Each vendor is responsible for the removal of all waste, garbage and refuse from his or her space at the closing hour of each market day.
 17. Rules are subject to change; other rules may apply.



Farmers' Market/Vendor Application (Please Print Clearly)

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ City, Zip _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell/Evening Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Website or Facebook Address: _____

Description of items at show (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Candles | <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing | <input type="checkbox"/> Leather | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood | <input type="checkbox"/> Ceramics/Pottery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toys/Dolls | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Living | <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eggs | <input type="checkbox"/> Plants | <input type="checkbox"/> Soaps/Scents | <input type="checkbox"/> Wreaths | <input type="checkbox"/> Textile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Glass | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Food | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Other: Please describe: _____

Payment and cancellation Information: Check payable to The Village of Spring Grove. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS of booth space fees for any reason.**

Waiver and Acceptance Information (Signature Required)

I/We agree to accept all risk related to its sales at the Village of Spring Grove ("Village") Farmers Market and agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Village and the Village's elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, consultants, volunteers, and the like ("Covered Entities") relative to any claim for loss, damage or personal injury relating to or arising from Vendor's activities at the Village's Farmers Market. Vendor does hereby fully release and discharge the Village and its Covered Entities from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damage, or loss which it may have or which may accrue to it or any person on account of the sale of its products, the Village's Farmers Market and its use of Village property, and Vendor covenants not to sue the Village or any of the Covered Entities.

I/We have read and agree to the waiver information above and will abide by the rules and regulations for the 2023 Farmers' Market.

Signature(s)

Date

Mail Completed Application and Payment to: Village of Spring Grove, 7401 Meyer Road, Spring Grove, IL 60081
for questions/further info: Kelly Popelka at 815-675-2121 or email info@springgrovevillage.com