

RULES OF THE BISCOE FARM & PLAY EXCHANGE

Vendors must pay an annual participation fee of \$20 to sell at the market. Fees should be paid before the first visit to the market and is valid through the end of the 2023 season. A daily booth fee of \$5 must be paid on each visit to the market manager prior to setting up. Spaces (8'x 10') will be released to vendors on a first come first served basis through the market manager. **ALL vendors must be set up before the opening time of the market, 2 pm.** Exchange Memberships will be sold beginning February 27th at the Vendor Meeting.

No NEW vendors will be allowed to register for a spot the “day of ” the market. They must come through Biscoe Town Hall and be approved before the Market Manager will allow them to participate.

Each vendor must adhere to the North Carolina Department of Revenue requirements to either state that they are only selling produce they grow or register with NCDOR and record your sales so that you are paying the proper tax for all applicable items. Farmers Markets will be inspected so we will be keeping a copy of either a statement or the registration number for every vendor who is selling their product.

The market will be open on **Monday, April 17, 2023**, and will remain open on Mondays through **September 25, 2023**. Market hours will be 2 pm – 6 pm. Vendors can begin setting up at 1 pm.

All items for sale must be grown or produced within a 100 mile radius of Biscoe **OR** provide verification of a **Got to be NC** Certified Product. Product that is sourced (not grown or created by the vendor) must be labeled as such so that customers can easily determine what is being grown by the vendor and what is being resold.

Violators will be asked to label the product sufficiently or to leave the market for the remainder of the season.

Low-risk packaged foods are the only products allowed to be produced at home. These can include Baked goods; Jams and jellies; Candies; Dried mixes; Some sauces and liquids; Pickles and acidified foods. *Please contact NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services at (919) 733-7366 for information with the regards to the production of shelf stable sauces, dressings, salsas, pickles, and acidified foods. All of these products will require laboratory testing. Additional regulations are required for pickled (acidified) foods. You must submit an application for Home Processor Inspection through the NC Department of Agriculture and if you are not certain your canned goods are low-acid or acidified, contact a Food Compliance Officer at 919-733-7366 for guidance. Any products to be sold to consumers must be packaged to protect them from contamination. A label must be affixed to the package with:

1. Product name
2. Manufacturers name and address
3. Net weight of the product in ounces/pounds and the gram weight equivalent
4. Complete list of ingredients in order of predominance by weight
5. Honey and molasses must bear a label consistent with North Carolina Department of Agriculture and consumer Services (NCDA&CS) requirements.

A vendor selling meat, seafood, dairy, or poultry products regulated by North Carolina Department of Agriculture and consumer Services (NCDA&CS) is responsible for satisfying any regulatory requirements prior to selling product. Please contact NCDA&CS at 919-733-7366.

All products must be of high quality. Products should be displayed in an appealing manner on a portable table provided by the vendor. Baskets or other appropriate containers for fruits and vegetables may be displayed around the table on the floor. Larger items, such as pumpkins or potted plants, may be displayed directly on the floor.

Prices must be posted for all items. Vendors can sell products for any price they choose. Vendors are not to ask others to increase their prices, as this is a "Free Market", and items can be sold at the price deemed appropriate by each vendor.

Anyone using scales must have them approved annually by North Carolina Department of Agriculture and consumer Services (NCDA&CS). North Carolina requires NTEP (National Type Evaluation Program) approved scales. Please contact NCDA&CS for inspections 919-733-3313.

Crafts should be traditional handmade items; cultural and heritage arts are encouraged. No paint by numbers, models, or pre-assembled kits. No flea market items should be sold.

NO live animals may be sold or given away at the market.

NO alcoholic beverages allowed.

NO motorized vehicles allowed.

Pets are allowed. They must be on a leash and must be controlled at all times. This rule is at the discretion of the market manager.

The use of chewing tobacco is permitted; however, sputum must be collected in an enclosed container that is hidden from customer view. Anyone caught improperly dispensing tobacco juice or tobacco wads in the market or parking lot will be asked to leave the premises. In addition, cigarette butts must be properly disposed of in the provided receptacles. Please do not throw cigarette butts in the parking lot or market area. Smoking is not permitted under the covered shelter area.

All vendors must conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner. Profanity will not be tolerated. The market manager shall ask anyone not complying with stated rules to leave the premises.

Any concerns and/or issues regarding the rules may be taken by voice or in writing to Parks & Recreation Director Delana Cagle at 910.428.4112. The Town of Biscoe does not condone, endorse, or support any practices that are not in compliance with the Rules of the NC Dept. of Agriculture & Consumer Services. All liability is waived in regard to any vendor not in compliance with these standards.

Food trucks will be allowed at a maximum of 2 trucks per Biscoe Farm & Play Exchange Event. If there is enough participation, we will create a schedule so all trucks will be able to participate on a rotating basis. The fee for Food Trucks will be \$25 per day. Food Truck set-up will be at noon.



TOWN OF BISCOE

Farm & Play Exchange

The Biscoe Farmer's Market at the Park

GROWERS CERTIFICATION



This is to certify that: (please type or print)

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Appeared before me this _____ day of the (month) _____, (year) _____ and affirm that he/she is a farm in _____ County and produces the crops and acreage indicated below.

AFFIRMED _____
 Farmer's Signature

CERTIFIED _____
 County Extension Agent Signature

VEGETABLES: Crop Acreage(estimate)

- Arugula _____
- Asparagus _____
- Bok Choi _____
- Beets _____
- Broccoli _____
- Cabbage _____
- Cantaloupe _____
- Carrots _____
- Cauliflower _____
- Celery _____
- Collards _____
- Celery _____
- Corn _____
- Cucumber _____
- Eggplant _____
- Garden Peas _____
- Garlic _____
- Kohlrabi _____
- Lettuce _____
- Lima Beans _____
- Okra _____
- Onions, bulb _____
- Onions, green _____
- Peas _____
- Pepper, Hot _____
- Pepper, Sweet _____
- Potatoes, Irish _____
- Pumpkins _____
- Radishes _____
- Snap Peas _____

- Spinach _____
- Squash, winter _____
- Squash, yellow _____
- Sweet Potatoes _____
- Tomato, cherry _____
- Tomato, field _____
- Tomato, greenhouse _____
- Turnips _____
- Watermelon _____
- Zucchini _____
- Other _____

Eggs, Cheese, Honey & Wheat

- Beef: _____
- Cheese: _____
- Eggs: (# of hens) _____
- Honey (# of hives) _____
- Pork _____
- Poultry: _____

Fruits & Nuts Crop Acreage (estimate)

- Apples _____
- Blackberries _____
- Blueberries _____
- Grapes, bunch _____
- Grapes, muscadine _____
- Melon (other) _____
- Peaches _____
- Pears _____
- Pecans _____

- Plums _____
- Strawberries _____
- Other _____

Miscellaneous

- Baked Goods _____
- Date Kitchen Inspected _____
- Crafts/Handmade items _____
- Cut Flowers _____
- Jams/Jellies _____
- Date Kitchen Inspected _____
- Mushrooms _____
- Pickles _____
- Date Kitchen Inspected _____
- Plants _____
- Nursery Certificate # _____
- Other _____

Herbs

- Basil _____
- Chives _____
- Cilantro _____
- Dill _____
- Garlic Chives _____
- Parsley (curly leaf) _____
- Parsley (flat leaf) _____
- Thyme _____
- Other _____

Certified Organic _____ Acreage _____

GAP Training _____

GAP Certified _____

Food Safety Plan? _____



DEATON-MONROE PARK

221 Mill Street, Biscoe NC 27209

Welcome to the 2023 Biscoe Farm & Play Exchange Farmer's Market. In order that we might keep our files current, please provide the following information:

Artisan Farmer Food Truck Other
 Annual Fee Paid Amount Paid _____
 Farm Visit Date of Visit _____
 Kitchen Inspected Date of Visit _____

Name: _____

Farm Name (If Applicable): _____

Phone # _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Products Grown and/or Made: _____

**2023 Biscoe Farm & Play Exchange Farmer's Market
Rules & Regulations**

I have read and understand the Rules & Regulations for the 2023 Biscoe Farm & Play Exchange Farmer's Market. I also understand that failure to comply with the rules will result in suspension or loss of selling privileges at the market.

Vendor's Signature

Date

Biscoe Parks & Recreation Director Signature

Date