



The Thurman Station Farmers' Market will provide an affordable venue for people in Thurman and the surrounding area to sell products grown or created in this area and also to draw visitors to the other events and attractions that exist in our town.

MARKET RULES

It is the purpose of these market rules to ensure that all sellers and shoppers have a pleasant, safe experience, and that the facilities used are properly maintained during market hours. These rules will be reviewed annually. Those who wish to offer suggestions for changes in procedures or rules should submit ideas in writing, preferably signed, to the Market Manager.

1. Sellers in the Thurman Station Farmers' Market are to park only in vendor parking areas, not in the vending area or in shopper parking area. The traffic lane that runs from one end of the market to the other must be left open at all times to allow the passage of cars and emergency vehicles.
2. Sellers may sell only during the announced days and times of the market, Wednesdays from 12:30 to 5 p.m. (with extended hours on certain special event days as decided by the committee and approved by the county) during June, July, August, September and October. [June 2 – October 13 in 2010]. They may set up during the **one hour** preceding the market and **will not be prohibited from selling before the market opens should a customer request an item.** They should cease selling at the conclusion of the **market.**
3. Fees for spaces, ten feet by ten feet (multiple spaces may be sold if space permits):
 - **2010 season (June through October) - \$70**
 - **2010 – One week - \$10 - Must pay one week in advance**
 - **Thurman not-for-profit groups:** 1 free space under the pavilion is offered at no charge on a week by week basis, space permitting. Organizer should apply in advance, the earlier the better.
4. Weekly fees must be paid the week before the market. Seasonal vendors should pay in full before the market season begins. The Market Manager may shut down a vendor who has not paid his/her booth fee.
5. Sellers' booths shall be sturdy and secure, neat and organized, with no stakes driven into pavement. Any power cords must be secured by tape. At end of market, sellers must remove from market premises all refuse, boxes and garbage, completely cleaning their vending spaces. Seller should clearly display:
 - Prices for all items
 - A Certificate of Authority to Collect Sales Tax and all other licenses, permits and certificates that are legally required by N.Y. State and Ag Markets, as well as proof of any vendors insurance if you have it.
6. No seller will be permitted to set up unless he/she has previously filed with the manager a signed application and two copies of all legally required permits, certificates, proof of insurance and licenses.
7. Only the applicant vendor or his representative (selling the applicant vendor's products) may set up in the assigned space. Vendors unable to attend the market may not lend or sell their spaces to another.

8. No live animals are permitted at the market. Those in violation will be shut down. Vendors with children at the market must diligently monitor their behavior and guard their safety, due to shopper traffic and the presence of the railroad tracks.
9. All sellers are expected to observe rules of common courtesy toward fellow vendors and shoppers, and to behave in a manner that is not disruptive.
10. The market manager is empowered to settle disputes between vendors or between vendors and shoppers and enforce the rules. Serious or repeated action may result in a seller's name being presented to the Thurman Station Market committee. The committee will evaluate the situation, and may terminate the seller's contract, refunding a prorated portion of his/her fee. Reinstatement will be at the discretion of the committee upon recommendations by the market manager.

Please make sure you read and understand these rules before signing acceptance of them on your vendor application form. Questions may be addressed to: Cheryl Kenyon, 90 Bear Pond Road, Athol, NY 12810; 518-623-9718, AdkGoldMaple@verizon.net

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