

2023 Pierson Township Farmers Market Rules

1. Market will begin **Friday, June 16, 2023 and run until mid-October** (weather permitting).
2. **Market is every Friday from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.** Farmers' market will be held at the Pierson Township Hall parking lot at 21156 Cannonsville Road, just off the 131 North exit.
3. **Free to vend with approved application.**
4. Vendors could be subject to farm visits to verify production of seller's product.
5. Spaces are approximately 10'x20' parking spaces (booth 10x10). Selling area may be set up 1 hour before market opens. No selling is permitted outside of assigned spaces. Selling is permitted only during market hours. All tables, chairs, and supplies will be vendor's responsibility.
6. Items permitted for sale at the market are produce, fruit, flowers, and plants. All must be actually grown by vendor or be grown by local farmer and contact information must be supplied to market master and displayed on table when sold. **AT NO TIME SHALL AUCTION ITEMS BE SOLD AT MARKET unless approved.** All applicable license or certification must be presented before items can be presented for sale (perennials, organic, etc.).
7. All edible homemade goods must comply with Michigan Department of Agriculture Cottage Food Law. Correct labeling is responsibility of vendor. Food samples are prohibited, except as per Cottage Food Laws.
8. Food Truck Vendors are allowed during Market hours and only at the Pierson Township Hall. Insurance and all applicable license and/or certification with the State of Michigan must be provided.
9. Handmade crafts and repurposed items are welcome!
10. Questionable items must be approved by the Pierson Township Farmers' Market committee prior to sale. No commercial or flea market type items will be permitted.
11. All products shall be clean, wholesome, and safe for human consumption. Vendors shall not display or sell spoiled or decayed produce or fruit. Vendors are responsible for cleanliness of their space, both during and after sale times.
12. All items as well as weights and measures are subject to inspection and approval by the Michigan Department of Agriculture.
13. The Pierson Township Coordinator or Township Board shall not be liable or responsible for transactions made between buyer and seller. In addition, shall not be responsible for theft, lost or stolen articles, or accidents.
14. Rules are subject to change at discretion of the Township Board. The Clerk/market coordinator reserves the right to expel or refuse admittance to those who upset the quiet enjoyment of the Farmers' Market activity or violate and of the above rules. We do reserve the right to limit multiples of the same items or items that do not meet the desired criteria.

Market Coordinator: Sara Burkholder, Pierson Township Clerk

PiersonCommunity@gmail.com or 616-560-7927 cell

Pierson Township Hall: M—W 9 to 4 pm at 616-636-8570

Website: www.piersontwp.org

2023 Pierson Township Farmers Market Vendor Application

Name of Company: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Street City State Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Type of Vendor or Items to be sold: _____

Special parking or space required: _____

I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the attached rules of the 2023 Pierson Township Farmers' Market. I understand I am responsible for my own space, materials, insurance and permits. I shall hold harmless from any and all claims, demands, suits, losses, including all costs connected herewith, for any damage which may be asserted, claimed or recovered against or from the Municipality: Pierson Township its elected and appointed officials, employee's, volunteers or all other working on behalf of Pierson Township by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury and death; and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof, which arises out of the alleged negligence of the Sponsor/Pierson Township and/or in anyway connected or associated with the event described above.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Event Date(s):

