

Criteria for Attendance at Crediton Farmers' Market

Locally Produced

All produce should originate from within a 30 mile radius of the market. The Committee is to have discretion on this and can make exceptions where deemed appropriate.

Own Produce

Produce should originate from the Producer's holding or premises. No bought in or third party finished products are acceptable.

Specifically -

Meat - at least 50% of the animal's life should be at the producer's holding.

Vegetables - all produce should be grown on the producer's holding.

Fish - to be allowed at the discretion of the Committee.

Eggs - to be produced from the producer's own flock.

Dairy and other processed foods, including cakes and preserves - food should be processed within the defined area from local ingredients where practicable. For cakes no commercial mixes should be used and all ingredients listed.

Drinks - all ingredients should be sourced locally where practicable.

Plants - should be grown from seed or cuttings on the producer's premises.

Craft and land based products - all products should be derived from the land and admission of products is at the discretion of the Committee.

Principle Producer

The stall shall be operated by the principal producer, or someone who is involved in the production.

At the discretion of the Committee, Producer Co-operatives and Community Associations e.g. Country Markets. Allotment Societies may be accepted as principal producers.

Product Information

Information about products should be clearly displayed on the stall.

Other Rules

The market will be open to the public from 10.00 am to 1.00 p.m. Stalls/pitches should not close down or pack up during this time.

All produce should adhere to the rules and regulations of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1970 and the provisions of the Food Safety Act 1995 and any other legal requirements. Full details are available from the Environmental Health Department of Mid Devon District Council.

The market is a no smoking area for producers.

Producers must hold Public, Product and (where relevant) Employee Liability Insurance and should have certificates available on the stall.

Equipment used at the market should comply with current Health and Safety Regulations. A current test certificate is required for all appliances used and should be available when requested by the Market Coordinator or Committee,

No aggressive selling techniques or haranguing should be employed.

Attendance at the Market

The Committee ask that new producers commit to attend the market on a regular basis, either at both or one of the markets each month. Please indicate on your application form whether you would like to attend:

- a) Both markets each month (first and third Saturdays of the month)
- b) Only the first market of the month (first Saturday)
- c) Only the second market of the month (third Saturday)

A new stallholder may wish to have a trial period of one month at the Market. The fee for this will be chargeable on the day rather than in advance. Once the trial period is over, the pitch fee will be payable in advance as detailed below.

Market Fees

Rental fees for the market are payable in advance -

The standard size pitch at the Market is 2 metres the rental fee for which is £20.00 per market.

A limited number of smaller 1 metre pitches are available at a rental fee of £10.00 per market. Other size pitches in excess of 2 metres can be applied for but are only granted under exceptional circumstances at the agreement of the Committee.

The rental fee for a pitch with 2 metre frontage is £80 for two consecutive months which is payable in advance.

The rental fee for a pitch with 1 metre frontage is £40 for two consecutive months, payable in advance.

These fees are for attendance at both markets in the month and are therefore reduced by 50% if a Producer only attends one market per month.

These fees are non-returnable in the case of non-attendance of / absence from the market. There may be exceptional circumstances where the fee can be refunded at the discretion of the Committee.

Please note –

Applications to the market are accepted at the discretion of the Committee whose decision is final. The Committee will do its best to accommodate the wishes of stallholders with regards to size and location of pitches, however, due to the layout of the market within the Town Square, it is not always possible to do so.

If a Producer no longer wishes to attend the Market, the Committee would request, where possible, for a one month 'Notice to Quit' in order for the pitch to be re-let with the minimum void period.

Each producer agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify Crediton Farmers' Market Association and the Co-ordinator from and against all claims, loss, damage, injury, costs, charges, liability or exposure arising from the Producer's participation in the market. I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules. I am aware of my own liability when participating in the Market.

Signed

Date