

Community Use Area Rules

The Fairfax County Farmers Markets provide the Fairfax community with a wide array of locally grown produce and locally made products. As a gathering place, these markets also provide an opportunity for individuals and groups to engage with market goers. To minimize disruptions to market activity and to avoid safety concerns, the Fairfax County Park Authority has established Community Use Areas where individuals, nonprofits and other community groups may conduct non-commercial expressive activities. We kindly request those using the Community Use Areas to be considerate of the nearby market activity so that everyone can enjoy these Farmers Markets. The following rules have been established to ensure that market function will not be interrupted:

- 1. The Community Use Areas are not reserved, and space is available on a first come, first served basis. Neither the Farmers Market staff nor Market Manager volunteers coordinate the use of this space. You may visit online to see specific areas at https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/community-use-areas.
- 2. Each individual or small group may set up a table in the designated space. Please bring your own tables, chairs, tents, and other equipment. Any such equipment must be removed within one hour after the Farmers Market closes.
- 3. No more than five people are permitted in one Community Use Area space generally, however at this time COVID-19 precautions must be followed with social distancing; therefore, only one or possibly two people may be in that area depending on the size of the space. Please contact 703-324-8662 for specific information.
- 4. Signs may not be larger than 4' X 4' and may not be appended to trees, prevent access to the sites, or interfere in any way with pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- 5. The following items are prohibited within the Farmers Market and Community Use Area: (a) Firearms as set forth in Virginia Code § 18.2-287.4; or (b) any bat, shield, pole, brick, stone, rock, piece of asphalt or concrete, knife, hatchet, ax, saw, slingshot, blackjack, metal knuckles, mace, metal buckle, chain, crowbar, hammer, club, bludgeon, or other such item that may be used as a weapon.
- 6. No amplified sound is permitted.
- 7. The Community Use Areas are reserved for individuals, community groups, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. The areas are not intended for business transactions.

Questions about the FCPA Farmers Markets:

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