



Rules, Terms and Conditions

The following conditions apply to all members of the market and exist to ensure the quality of the produce is maintained at the highest possible standards.

Eligibility Criteria for participants/stall holders

Only produce from within County Clare or a 30-mile radius of the Market shall be eligible, except where that product is not available locally and is deemed appropriate by the Farmers Market Committee

All produce sold must be grown, reared, caught, brewed, pickled, baked, smoked or processed by the stall holder

The stall must be attended by the principal producer or a representative directly involved in the production process. Persons under 18 must be supervised at all times by an adult.

The percentage of stalls carrying crafts shall not exceed 20% of the total number of stalls at the farmers market on any market day

Location&Time:

The location of the farmers market will be St John's Village Hall, Ballyvaughan.

The Market will take place between 10am and 2pm Saturday mornings.

Stall will be fully set up by 9.45am. The litter around the stalls, the parking bollards and the stalls will be completely cleared away by 2.30 sharp.

In order to make the market more consistent, participation should be weekly where at all possible.

Registration&Fees:

Participation in the market shall be limited to those registered and approved by the Farmers' Market Committee

An annual registration fee of €30 renewable at the beginning of each season is required of all participants

Each stall holder present shall pay a fee of €5 on each market day.

General Guiding Principals:

Where possible stall holders will utilise quality local inputs & raw materials in products sold in the farmers market

No genetically modified crops organisms shall be knowingly traded within the farmers market

The success of the Farmers Market is dependent on the honesty and integrity of its members.

All stall holders should strive towards the following:
The care & enhancement of the natural environment of County Clare
The minimisation of artificial/chemical inputs in production
The maintenance of excellent animal welfare standards

Information on the rules of the market and the production methods of the producers should be available to the customers at the market. The market should publicise the availability of this information.

The rules, terms & conditions as set out here may only be modified by a quorum of the committee of the Farmers Market.

Standards & quality control:

Stall holders are required to make the following basic provisions for their displays:

Cloth covered table/bench (no produce on the ground)
Canopy/umbrella
Signs - denoting suppliers name, product & pricing
Scales where necessary
Bags (for produce & litter)
Dust pan & brush

A market controller, appointed by the Farmers Market Committee, will be present at all markets to insure all products displayed &/or sold in the market are of a consistently high quality & standard

All stall holders are required to register with the appropriate authority for the range of products they carry at the farmers market. This information can be obtained from the local area Health Service Executive, Environmental Health Office, Ennistymon (065) 7071143

The committee will be notified in advance of an existing stall holder introducing a new product, particularly where this product may have increased food hygiene implications

Only producers with certification from a recognised organic body are allowed to display organic signs on their produce

All stall holders are required to become familiar and adhere to Food Safety Requirement as set out in Guidance note no.16 issued by Food Safety Authority of Ireland www.fsai.ie/publications.

Committee Procedure:

The following decisions will require a majority vote by a quorum of at least 6 committee members including a minimum of two of the elected officers (Chair/Secretary/Treasurer):

The removal of any existing members from the Farmers' Market

The modification of any of the rules, terms and conditions of the market as outlined above

2.The approval of new members will be required from a minimum of three committee members.

BALLYVAUGHAN FARMERS' MARKET