

## 2025 Silver Lake Beach Farmers' Market Guide

The following rules and regulations have been established to create a market that offers local produce and products to the consumer directly from the producer. The goodwill and consideration of growers and producers to others will ensure the smooth operation of the market. Read these rules and regulations carefully before signing your application and keep this copy for your records. Failure to observe them may result in termination of your market assignment. If you have questions regarding these rules or joining the market, contact the mayor's office at 302-736-7004 or [mayorsoffice@dover.de.us](mailto:mayorsoffice@dover.de.us). **The 2025 season will begin on Wednesday, July 9 and run through Wednesday, October 8 (subject to change) and weather permitting.**

## 2025 Rules and Regulations

### **General Rules/Code of Conduct**

- The market is a Farmers Market. We would like to encourage the sale of farm products, however, crafts, bakery, and other items will be allowed, as market demand dictates.
- Farmers may partner with other local farmers to bring their product to market.
- All vendors are responsible for compliance with any/all requirements of the State of Delaware and the City of Dover.
- All items for sale will be marked as such with clear pricing.
- Any scale used for determining price will display a current legal inspection sticker.
- All vendors will display their products in a clean and safe manner.
- Vendors should always operate their business in a professional manner.
- We **may** permit the sale of some 'greengrocer' items with the understanding that these vendors may not sell anything locally available. (Ex. bananas, citrus, grapes, etc. Are ok. – not sweet corn or tomatoes, etc. when available locally. Greengrocer means someone who owns or works in a shop selling that produce)
- Please remember to be polite to others – including other vendors and City staff. Those who are not may be asked to leave and not return.
- Solicitation for products, services, or charitable contributions, not specifically addressed as a market commodity,
- All Vendors will be responsible for the actions of their employees and/or agents.
- Possession of firearms, fireworks, gambling, use of alcohol or drugs, or disorderly conduct by a vendor or his/her employees or agent also constitutes a violation of Market Rules.

### **1. Hours of Operation**

Wednesdays: 9:00am – 1:00pm

Vendor's arrival and set up: 8:00am – 9:00am

Vendor's breakdown and leaving: 1:00pm – 2:00pm (all vendors must vacate by 2:00pm)

All vehicles must be removed from the market area by 9:00am. Vendors agree to be open for business at 9:00am and to stay open for business until 1:00pm, unless otherwise pre-arranged with the Market Manager

(Jody Simundza). **If you arrive late at the market, you may lose the opportunity to vend for the day.**

## **2. Spaces**

The City of Dover staff will assign all spaces. While we try to locate vendors in the same spot each week, there are no guarantees that they will have the same space each week and will be assigned a location according to space availability. The City of Dover Staff reserves the right to use space if a vendor is absent from the Market or if they fail to arrive onsite by 8:30a.m. without prior notice (24 hours) to the City either by email at [mayorsoffice@dover.de.us](mailto:mayorsoffice@dover.de.us) or by phone at 302-736-7004. There are a total of 22 available spaces. Each spot is approx. 12 feet by 12 feet. No call/no show will remove you from the allowed vendor list and you will not be able to participate.

## **3. Tents**

All vendors may use their own 10x10 pop-up (EZ-Up) tent as there is no shade/rain protection in the parking lot. **All vendors must have weights available in case of strong gusts of wind. Tents with guide/support lines are strictly prohibited.**

## **4. Tables and Chairs**

All vendors are required to supply their own tables and chairs each week. The City of Dover will not store tables for Vendors.

## **5. Salespeople at the Tents**

There must be an adult 18 or over present during market hours.

## **6. Electricity**

Electricity will not be available and/or provided. Generators, except solar generators, are prohibited without prior approval from the city.

## **7. Water**

Water will not be available and/or provided

## **8. Restrooms**

Vendor/customer porta potties will be available on site

## **9. Trash and Refuse**

Vendors will be responsible for removing ALL trash, boxes, refuse, etc. from their assigned spaces and market before leaving the market. If any trash, boxes, refuse, etc. is left behind at the close of the market, the vendor may be denied the privilege to return.

## **10. State of Delaware Food Regulations**

Please familiarize yourself with the State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services website pertaining to food regulations. <https://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/regs.html>

The City of Dover does not enforce the United States Dept. of Agriculture requirements. In the event of a U.S.D.A. inspection, the vendor is held responsible for compliance. For more information, please contact the Delaware Department of Agriculture office, at <https://agriculture.delaware.gov/for-businesses/>. You may also contact the Delaware Food Safety Division at <https://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/hsp/foodsafety.html>.

## From the Department of Public Health

All vendors selling homemade goods must be classified and licensed accordingly as 1 of the 3 following:

### **Cottage Food**



Cottage Food  
Application.pdf

### **Temporary Food Establishment**



tfeapplic.pdf

### **Caterer without Premises**



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