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Market Season 2010

Dear Growers,

The Moscow Food Co-op is again hosting the Tuesday Growers' Market in the Co-op parking lot. We would like to invite you to participate. As in the past, nine spots are available for growers to sell their locally produced goods. This year's growers' market will begin May 4, weather permitting. Outside music and dining will probably begin June 2. The market will run through the end of October.

Season passes will be available at the same cost as last year, \$75. We would like to remind you that a season pass is a single parking space. If you feel you need two spaces, we ask that you buy a "double-space season pass". We would like to be fair to all vendors, by allotting the same amount of space. Half-spaces are also available.

The market will operate from 4:30 to 6:30, with setup beginning at 4:00pm. Keep in mind that you may load and unload in the alley, but need to move your vehicle as quickly as possible after you are finished. The Moscow City Police have requested that we keep the alley clear for emergency traffic.

If you are interested in participating in the 2010 Growers' Market, please review the attached procedures and guidelines, and return the application with your fee. You can either mail to the coop, or deliver in person when you are there. It would be best to leave it with Annie Hubble so that it can be forwarded to me. It might also be good to give me a quick call or email, so I know to look for it at the store. I will make sure to get you a receipt.

This year the market is inviting growers to sell value-added food items. Products must be made locally and include at least one item grown by the seller. We are not accepting craft items.

Also, Nancy Becker of the Health Department would like all vendors to meet with her to update their Food Risk Assessment forms. This basically means filling out the form and stating what you intend to sell (i.e. fresh fruit and veggies; eggs; no prepared foods). Eggs are not regulated, but there are minimum handling standards, and she would like to make sure people are aware of the minimum requirements for safe handling. Meat vendors would need to apply for a permit with the health department. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

Please feel to contact me with questions or comments at [growersmarket@moscowfood.coop](mailto:growersmarket@moscowfood.coop) , [bheisel@uidaho.edu](mailto:bheisel@uidaho.edu) or 892-1817.

I am looking forward to another great season of Tuesday Growers' Market. We appreciate your participation, and you taking the time and energy to grow on the Palouse!

Sincerely,

Britt Heisel  
Tuesday Growers' Market Coordinator

# Moscow Food Co-op Tuesday Growers' Market

## Market Times

- ❖ Tuesday Growers' Market begins May 4, 2010 weather allowing (food and music outside will begin June 2).
- ❖ The market is open 4:30 to 6:30. Setup begins at 4:00 pm.

## Fees and Procedures

- ❖ One parking space per grower (unless you have paid for two spaces). We have more interested growers than parking spaces, and in order to be fair, we need to insist that you use only one space if that is what you have paid for.
- ❖ A half space \$40 Season Pass (approximately 24 weeks), single space \$75, or two spaces for \$150. If you'll be attending 13 or more markets using a half-space or 16 or more markets using a full space, a season pass is more economical.
- ❖ Growers may purchase up to two full spaces, \$75 each.
- ❖ Growers may participate intermittently; \$5 per space or \$3 for \_ parking space.
- ❖ Applications and fees are due by the first market that the grower is in attendance.
- ❖ Season passes will be issued on a first come, first serve basis.
- ❖ Season-pass holders are guaranteed their spot. A part-time participant may be "bumped" by a grower who purchases a season pass.
- ❖ If a regular grower will not be using their space, and has contacted me in advance, I will call growers on the wait list to offer a spot.
- ❖ Growers interested in participating must schedule prior to Market Day. Please do not show up without prior registration.
- ❖ Completed applications must be on file to be placed on the wait list.

## Guidelines

- ❖ All products must be grown by organic standards, although organic certification is not required.
- ❖ All products must be grown locally.
- ❖ Reselling purchased products is not permitted.
- ❖ Products must have at least one item grown by seller. For example, seller-grown flowers, herbs or vegetables may be sold in a purchased container.
- ❖ Value-Added Food items are allowed. Products must be locally made and include at least one item grown by seller.
- ❖ Sellers are responsible for set-up, clean-up and safe operation of their space. Using on-site dumpsters or leaving trash is not permitted.
- ❖ Sellers are invited to unload/reload from the alley between 4:00 and 4:30, and 6:30 and 7:00, but may not park in the alley or Co-op parking lot during market hours.
- ❖ Sellers must keep pets quiet and contained.
- ❖ Sellers must be courteous and professional during set-up, market and clean-up.
- ❖ The Moscow Food Co-op reserves the right to prohibit anyone from selling at the market and to prohibit certain items from being sold at the market.

- ❖ The North Central District Health Department “Guidelines for Selling or Dispensing of Food at Farmer’s Markets must be followed. A Food Risk Assessment form should be on file at the Health Department.

## **Selling Food at Farmer’s Markets Guidelines** (per the North Central District Health Department)

Fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers:

- ❖ No cut melon, otherwise no special requirements.

Eggs:

- ❖ Need to be kept in cooler with ice (to keep them at 45<sup>0</sup> F or colder).
- ❖ May be put in reused cartons, but the original label must be crossed out and a new label must be affixed with the first and last name of the egg producer, and city and state where eggs were laid.
- ❖ Restaurants may not purchase eggs from facilities that have not been state inspected.

Meat:

- ❖ All meat sellers must have a permit on file with the North Central District Health Department before selling. For a permit, contact Nancy Becker, Environmental Health Specialist at 208-882-7506, 333 E. Palouse River Drive in Moscow.

Value Added Food:

- ❖ Seller must follow City of Moscow Farmers’ Market Guidelines and any other county, state, or federal food handling and health requirements that apply.

Please direct questions regarding the Tuesday Growers’ Market to Britt Heisel, Tuesday Growers’ Market 2010 Coordinator at [growersmarket@moscowfood.coop](mailto:growersmarket@moscowfood.coop), or 892-1817.

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