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# **New Farmer Application**

Thank you for considering the Community Food Co-op to retail your product(s). New Farmer Applications/Packets must be delivered or mailed to:

Community Food Co-op Attn: **Merchandising Manager** 405 E Holly St, Suite 101 Bellingham, WA 98225

Please also mark the packet **ATTENTION: NEW ITEM (or) NEW VENDOR**. Submit to the Customer Service desk when dropping off your packet in person. Please fill out the new farmer application on the next pages and include any supplemental information asked for below. If you have questions about this process, please send an email to <u>vendor@communityfood.coop</u>.



# **CHECKLIST FOR NEW FARMER APPLICATION**

The following information must be included in your New Farmer Application:

Vendor application, including insurance information.

List of products available, including seasonal information if possible.

Acknowledgment of Production Agreement for Farmers (by signing this application you are agreeing to the production agreement as outlined in the New Vendor Packet).

Any supplemental information on your farm that you feel would be helpful.

Sample of invoice.



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Submit your farm information below. We will use this information to decide if your products are a good fit for our stores and customers. Please visit both stores to look at our existing product mix to ensure that you are submitting a product that is either missing or underrepresented in any given produce category (see Category Management and Local Products section of New Vendor Packet).

# **Contact/Billing Information**

Business Name:

**Billing Contact Person:** 

Phone:

Email:

Ordering Contact Person:

Phone:

Email:

Website:

**Physical Address:** 

City:

State:

Zip:

Billing Address (if different from physical location):

## **Business Information**

Federal Tax ID Number:

Farm Location (City, County):

**Total Acres Farmed:** 

Liability Insurance Provider (required): Dollar Amount:

**Certified Organic:** 

If Yes, Certification number:

Issue Date and Certifying Agency:

If **No**, list any pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, pest management system, etc. that are used on your products, and describe the conditions under which they are applied. Please feel free to submit on a separate document if you need to supply more detailed information:



# Food Safety

Does your farm have GAP (Good Agricultural Practices) or other food safety certification? If **Yes**, please list your certification number and certifying agency:

## Field

Do you compost your own manure, or have livestock on site? If **Yes**, please describe the measures in place to ensure the prevention of contamination of vegetable fields from runoff:

Do you have preventative measures in place to keep contamination of on-site chemicals or fertilizers out of your fields and water supply?

## **Facilities**

Do you have a covered, clean, pest-free area to wash and pack produce prior to delivery?

Do you reuse wax produce boxes?

Do you have reusable packaging used in the delivery of produce to the Co-op?

If Yes, please describe how these are cleaned.

Do you have clean, dry, pest-free storage areas for packing materials?

Are fertilizers, chemicals, and other potential contaminants kept in storage areas separate from food packing or prep areas?

Do you have a toilet and hand washing facilities on site?

Are smoking and eating confined to designated areas separate from product handling?

Do you have refrigeration on site for your products?

Are any chemicals used in the processing of your products prior to delivery to the Co-op?

lf **Yes,** please list:

Do you process food, cut, alter, or wash for consumer consumption? (If no, skip to next section) Do you have a health department inspected and approved space to cut, or process food?

Are food-grade packaging materials used (when applicable)?

Do you produce any "potentially hazardous" foods, i.e. salad mix, loose leaf greens, or sprouts?

Is a cold chain required in the transportation of these products to the Co-op?

If Yes, please describe your facility, processing, and handling procedures for these products.



## Transportation

Do you have a clean, food-safe means of transporting your food products to the Co-op? Does your vehicle have refrigeration?

## Worker Health and Hygiene

We support, and choose to do business with farms and producers that treat all employees with fairness and respect. Are your employees paid a fair wage, have safe working conditions, and access to support if needed? Is there an effective and ongoing worker food safety training program in place?

If Yes, please describe:

I confirm that the information provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that my production and/or farming practices are in accordance with state law. I also confirm that I have read and agree to the conditions set forth in the Production Agreement for Farmers in the Co-op's New Vendor Packet.

Signature of Seller:\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Note: If you have additional information you would like to provide, please use another sheet of paper.