WAC 246-780-020 How does an applicant farmers' market become authorized to participate in the farmer's market nutrition program? (1) To become authorized to participate in the FMNP, an applicant must:

- (a) Apply as a farmers' market on a form provided by the department;
- (b) Meet the selection criteria in subsection (2) of this section;
 - (c) Complete training on FMNP requirements; and
- (d) Receive a contract from the department signed by both the department and the applicant.
 - (2) Farmers' market selection criteria. The applicant must:
- (a) Have a designated market manager on-site during operating hours;
- (b) Have been in operation at least one year. The one-year requirement may be waived by the department based on capacity and need;
 - (c) Be located within twenty miles of the local WIC agency;
- (d) Have at least five authorized growers participating in the farmers' market each year;
- (e) Agree to comply with training sessions and monitor visits; and
- (f) Agree to comply with all terms and conditions specified in the contract.
- (3) The department is not required to authorize all applications. Selection is also based on community need.
- (4) An authorized farmers' market must reapply at the end of the current contract; however, neither the department nor the participant has an obligation to renew a contract.

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