

**WAC 246-780-025 How does an applicant grower become authorized to participate in the farmers' market nutrition program?** (1) To become authorized to participate in the FMNP an applicant must:

(a) Apply as a grower on a form provided by the department;  
(b) Meet the grower selection criteria in subsection (2) of this section;

(c) Complete training on FMNP requirements provided by either an authorized farmers' market manager or the department; and

(d) Receive a contract from the department signed by both the department and the applicant.

(2) Grower selection criteria. The applicant must:

(a) Grow a portion of the produce they have for sale;

(b) Sell locally grown produce at either the authorized farmers' market or the authorized farm store, or both as identified on the completed application; and

(c) Agree to follow the terms and conditions of the grower contract.

(3) The department is not required to authorize all applications. Selection is also based on community need.

(4) An authorized grower 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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