WAC 246-780-022 What is expected of an authorized farmers' market? The authorized farmers' market must:

(1) Comply with the FMNP requirements and the terms and conditions of their contract;

(2) Accept training and technical assistance on FMNP requirements from department staff;

(3) Provide in person training to authorized growers, market employees and volunteers on FMNP requirements including, but not limited to: Eligible foods, check redemption procedures, civil rights requirements and the complaint process;

(4) Be accountable for the actions of employees and volunteers;

(5) Keep a current list of authorized growers, including the authorized grower's name, business address, telephone number, and crops to be sold during the farmers' market season. The authorized farmers' market must provide this list to the department on request;

(6) Ensure that FMNP checks are accepted only by authorized growers for locally grown eligible foods;

(7) Report to the department anyone that accepts FMNP checks without authorization from the department;

(8) Refuse to process any FMNP checks taken by unauthorized individuals;

(9) Ensure FMNP checks are stamped with the appropriate market and authorized grower identification numbers;

(10) Ensure authorized growers have and display the "WIC Farmers' Market Checks Welcome Here" sign each day;

(11) Comply with federal and state nondiscrimination laws;

(12) Ensure that clients receive the same courtesies as other customers;

(13) Provide the department, upon request, with any information it has available regarding its participation in the FMNP;

(14) Keep client information confidential;

(15) Allow the department to monitor the authorized farmers' market for compliance with FMNP requirements;

(16) Notify the department immediately if authorized farmers' market operations cease; and

(17) Notify the department immediately of any authorized farmers' market, authorized grower or authorized farm store suspected of noncompliance with FMNP requirements.

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