# **Ravenna Farmers Market**

Ravenna Farmers Market is located at 100 E Maple St Ravenna, Texas 75476. The southeast corner of FM 1753 and FM 274 intersection.

#### Schedule and Times

Ravenna Farmers Market is open 7:30AM to 1PM Monday through Friday, 7:30AM to 3PM Saturdays May through October; 7:30AM to 3PM Saturdays November through April.

#### Vendor Space

All vendor spaces will be limited to 10 foot by 10 foot wide; all products and signage must be contained within the selling space unless otherwise approved in writing by the City.

Vendors may start setting up no earlier than 7AM and the space shall be clear and free of trash, canopy and tables no later than 1 hour after close of market hours. Any trash produced by vendor must be taken away by vendor. Carts or trailers may be setup provided it fits in the allotted space unless otherwise authorized by the City.

Vendors shall present a courteous and professional manner at all times in the market.

### **Vendor Rules and Regulations**

Vendors/Sellers may sell farm, garden, and food products including but not limited to vegetables, eggs, fruit, meat, dairy, nuts, flowers and plants, jams/jellies, honey, and baked goods. All items sold must follow all state and local laws and health standards. Small agriculture live animals (chickens, ducks, quail, and rabbits) must approved by the City and must conform to all state and local laws.

All products must be of local origin (Fannin, Grayson, and Lamar Counties only) and be of high quality. Vendors who have repeated complaints about quality and conduct may result in termination of selling privileges.

Vendors are encouraged to sale their own homegrown produce. Vendors who purchase produce for resell shall state that their produce is purchased, and where it came from. Only produce may be resold and must originate locally (Fannin, Grayson, and Lamar counties).

Vendors are prohibited from selling nonagricultural items with the exception of cottage industry items produced in the home (baked goods, jams/jellies, dairy). No garage sale/ flea market type items. No commercially produced items of any kind. No fire arms may be sold. Locally produced blacksmith items will need approval prior to sale. Absolutely no pets for sale. No smoking in Vendor areas, smokers shall move at least 20 feet away from all selling spaces.

After unloading/setting up vehicles shall be moved to a designated parking area. Small trailers/carts used as vendor stations will need prior approval and must fit inside seller's area.

#### **Registration and Fees**

All vendors must complete a vendor's packet and provide to the City prior to setup and selling. Vendors must submit a list of items to be sold as part of the packet and must be approved. Vendor name/farm name must be include for promotion use. Ravenna City Hall is open for normal business on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10AM to 2PM. Vendor packets must be completed once annually.

A processing fee of \$10 will be required upon submission of vendor packet form in cash or check payable to The City of Ravenna.

#### Responsibilities

Vendors are responsible for their children and guest at all time. Children shall not be allowed to run freely through the market or to disrupt other vendors or customers. **Children must be supervised at all times.** 

No alcohol shall be consumed on the grounds of the City of Ravenna's Farmers Market.

All vendors will be responsible for obtaining a sales tax number if required by The State of Texas and shall be responsible for collection and paying any sales tax that may be assessed on their products. The vendor shall be responsible for filing any and all returns required by the State of Texas with respect to sales tax collection.

Vendors shall be responsible for their merchandise, security and liability of their selling space and person. Vendors shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Ravenna for any and all losses or damages that may occur through their participation in the City of Ravenna Farmers Market.

It is the responsibility of each vendor to abide by all state and federal regulations which govern the production, harvest, preparation, preservation, labeling and/or safety of products offered for sale at the market. Vendors are liable for their own products. The City of Ravenna shall not be held liable for products offered by vendors. Product and liability insurance are the sole responsibility of the producer.

#### Other

The City of Ravenna has the right to change the rules and regulations as deemed necessary or discontinue its use as approved. The City of Ravenna shall have supervision and control of the activities of the market and the designated market area, and as such has full responsibility for enforcing all rules and regulations a set forth herein.

Helpful links:

https://www.dshs.texas.gov/retail-food-establishments/texas-farmers-market

https://texascottagefoodlaw.com

https://www.dshs.texas.gov/retail-food-establishments/texas-cottage-food-production

Should a vendor or community participant feel their rights at the Ravenna Farmers Market have been violated in some way, or feel that another vendor or someone else has acted outside their authority or in a way that harms the market as a whole, the following steps should be taken:

- The grievance or concern should be put in writing and including a clear and specific description of the problem and the name(s) of the person involved, a description of the ways in which the person has attempted to resolve the matter (if appropriate), and at least two courses of action that would satisfy the writer (if appropriate). These should include but not limited to:
  - A. Mediation between involved parties;
  - B. Determine that the issue does not warrant formal steps to resolve it and should be handled through other channels.
- Copies of this correspondence should be sent to the City of Ravenna 103 N. Main P.O. Box Ravenna, Texas 75476 and to all persons involved in the grievance or concern. This must be signed correspondence.
- 3. The City administrator has final authority in deciding the outcome of the grievance.

## **City of Ravenna Farmers' Market Application**

2023 Summer (May through October) Season - Ravenna, Texas

Seller: Name:	
Business Name/DBA:	
Mailing Address:	
Address of farm/production:	
City State Zip	
Phone: Email :	
Here are the items I plan to produce and sell: (It is not necessary to write product simply write vegetables, fruits, etc.)	
A \$10 processing fee is required to sell for the season. This fee is requir season (summer season, May through October; winter season, Novemb	

April)

\*Fees are non-refundable.

My signature below affirms that I agree to the following:

1. I certify that all products to be distributed, offered for sale, or sold at the Market by the vendor have been grown, raised, made, crafted, processed, or produced by the vendor in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and from the local area (Fannin, Grayson, and Lamar counties). I understand that only items listed above are approved for sale at the Ravenna City Market. I understand that the City may revoke selling privileges for rule violations or any other cause deemed to be in the best interest of The City of Ravenna.

2. I hereby acknowledge that I have received, carefully read, and agree to be bound by the Ravenna City Farmers Market Rules and Regulations.

3. Further, I shall indemnify, keep and hold harmless The City of Ravenna, and all their agencies and employees from and against any and all claims and demands, whether for injuries to persons or loss of life, damage to property on or off the premises arising out

of the use or occupancy of the premises by vendor, and those injuries and damages arising out of vendor's acts or omissions, and shall defend, at vendor's own expense, any actions brought against The City of Ravenna or any other person, employee, volunteer, agents, or organizations with which The City of Ravenna has a contractual relationship.

Signature:

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

(Vendor)

Submit this application & appropriate fee (made payable to: The City of Ravenna) in person or by mail to:

City of Ravenna, Attn: Farmers Market • 103 N. Main PO Box 88 • Ravenna, TX 75476