



COVID-19 Vendor Checklist

The following is a simplification of the measures VFM is taking to address COVID-19 and focuses on the bare minimum vendor requirements. Vendors who do not follow the requirements will be subject to VFM's rule violation process. Many vendors will choose to go above and beyond the requirements listed below:

1. Stay Home if Sick

- Must confirm with the market manager that you passed a health check
- Must leave immediately if presenting COVID symptoms

2. Physical Distancing (see Appendix A for details)

- Must use physical barrier to keep distance from shoppers and vendors
- Must post and manage maximum capacity in walk-through stalls
- Must manage shopper physical distancing within 10ft radius of stall
- Must wear face covering at stall when not behind a physical barrier (i.e. restocking, managing shopper capacity, etc).

3. Hand washing

- Must have wash station or hand sanitizer for vendor use
- Must demonstrate food handling and payment separation

4. Sanitizing

- Must have sanitizer present (disinfectant wipes, bleach solution, alcohol, etc.)
- Must wash and sanitize high-touch surfaces regularly

5. Ensure Shoppers Eat Outside Market

- Must provide take-away options for ready-to-eat food
- Must post prominent signage re: not eating in market
- No sampling permitted

NOTE: the COVID-19 Vendor Checklist has been developed in consultation with the Vendor Advisory Committee and will be posted at Market Information Booths as well as at eatlocal.org COVID-19 FAQs

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Appendix A: Physical Distancing at Stalls

Farmers markets must maintain physical distancing between shoppers, vendors and staff - even if they are wearing masks. In order to manage physical distancing between shoppers at stalls, VFM and the VAC have developed the following requirements, depending on stall configuration.

NOTES:

1. Unless otherwise approved by VFM manager, maximum shopper capacity at a 10x10 stall = 1 shopper.
2. VFM expects vendors to have their own WorkSafeBC strategy re: distancing between themselves and their staff and are not monitoring internal vendor distancing.

Scenario A: Stall configuration with shoppers entering stall

REQUIREMENTS (ALL):

- Single flow traffic
- Marked + managed entrance and exit points
- Posted + managed Maximum Shopper Capacity (VFM-provided for vendors to keep)
- Clearly marked 6' spaces within stall
- Physical barrier at cash area (see Scenario B)

Scenario B: Stall configuration with shoppers outside of stall

REQUIREMENTS (1 of 2)

- Physical barrier creating 6ft of space between vendor and shopper (i.e. 2x tables stacked, rope at stall entrance with table spaced 4ft behind rope). Chalk is not sufficient.

OR

- Physical barrier (plexiglass, plastic sheet or curtain) shielding vendor and shopper.