



April 23, 2021

To the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit,

The Cobourg Farmers Market Association (CFMA) Board of Directors is writing for permission for the Cobourg Farmers Market 2021 season to operate as an essential service in the current COVID-19 environment.

Our location is in the Rotary Harbourfront Park on Albert St, Cobourg, at the foot of Second St. We have approval from the Town of Cobourg for this location, pending HKPRHU's approval.

Our health and safety protocols were successfully in place during 2020. After a meeting with Richard Ovcharovich of HKPR HU we have amended those for 2021:

- The site will be secured by the use of caution tape or similar so that the entrance and exit to the site is controlled and will have clear "enter market here" and "exit market here" designations.
- The number of shoppers allowed into the market area will be limited for safety. Customers will be directed to line up 6 ft apart at the entrance to await entry.
- All patrons will be requested, upon entry into the market space, to use the hand sanitizer at the hand sanitizer station located at the entrance of the market, to read the Farmers Markets Ontario COVID-19 Fact/Info Sheet and will be asked about their health.
- No seating areas, or 'play areas' will be set-up by the market.
- Vendor stands will be spaced at least 6 ft apart and customer circulation will be directed in one-way movement to maintain social distancing at the market.
- We will ensure there is ample space for lines to form in front of the booths, with customers keeping a 6-foot distance from each other.
- Vendors are required to provide hand sanitizers for themselves and their customers.
- Vendors will sanitize their tables prior to market and at least every hour once market is open.
- Vendors may have table cloths on their market tables, as long as they are able to be sanitized (i.e. vinyl or plastic)
- Masks are required for vendors and customers.

- There is no sampling of food, use of reusable or customer supplied containers, or communal tables or seating located directly on the premises.
- While debit or transfer is preferred, customers can pay by cash.
- Vendors will either prepackage their products or will bag up the customers selections using approved safety methods. The customers will not touch the product prior to purchase.
- Vendors will place the purchase on a table and the customer will pick it up, remaining 6ft apart.
- If customers touch product without purchasing it, vendors will sanitize that item, remove it from stock, or require the customer to purchase it.
- The names of all vendors selling will be recorded for each market day and the records will be maintained by the Market Manager.

Included in this submission is a copy of the FMO COVID-19 Fact/Info Sheet

The Vendors are responsible to follow the measures listed below to protect themselves and our Patrons:

- Confirm with the Market Manager/Volunteer that they have no symptoms (fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat or shortness of breath, diarrhoea and vomiting) have not travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days, and have not been in contact with a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19.
- Wash hands regularly and thoroughly (minimum 20 seconds) with soap and water or use an alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched market stand surfaces (with household cleaners or diluted bleach solution 1-part bleach to 9-parts water).
- Maintain social distancing – keep 6 feet away from others.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover mouth and nose with bent elbow or tissue of coughing or sneezing.
- Not attend the Market if not well.
- Prepackage and box products at a fixed price to reduce contact and labeled with customer names/order numbers.
- Refrigerated and frozen products must be maintained at proper temperatures.
- For vendors selling meat products, the product was processed at a licensed plant and meets labeling requirements.

We ask for your approval of our plan and support in continuing the Cobourg Farmers Market in the 2021 season. If further information is required, please reach out.

With thanks,

The Cobourg Farmers Market Association Board of Directors
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Thank you for supporting our Market and Ontario farmers

HELP PREVENT COVID-19

You are welcome at our Market if you:

- Have **no** symptoms (fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat or shortness of breath).
- Have **not** travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days.
- Have **not** been in close contact with a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19.

Please remember to practice social distancing and keep 2-meter (6 feet) space between you and others.



Please wash your hands before you begin shopping and again if you handle cash, cough, sneeze, blow your nose or touch your face.

Try to make your purchases as quickly as you can.

Do not touch the products - ask the vendor to chose them and package them for you.



Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

How to wash your hands



Wash hands for
at least 15 seconds

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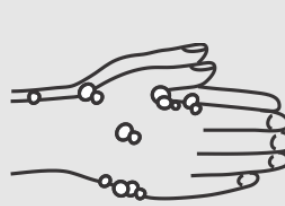
Wet hands with
warm water.

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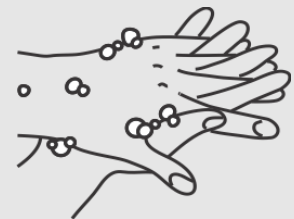
Apply soap.

3



Lather soap and rub
hands palm to palm.

4



Rub in between and
around fingers.

5



Rub back of each hand
with palm of other hand.

6



Rub fingertips of each
hand in opposite palm.

7



Rub each thumb clasped
in opposite hand.

8



Rinse thoroughly under
running water.

9



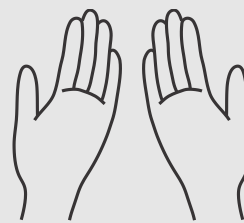
Pat hands dry with
paper towel.

10



Turn off water
using paper towel.

11



Your hands are now
clean.

How to use hand sanitizer



Rub hands for
at least 15 seconds

1



Apply 1 to 2 pumps
of product to palms
of dry hands.

2



Rub hands together,
palm to palm.

3



Rub in between and
around fingers.

4



Rub back of each hand
with palm of other
hand.

5



Rub fingertips of each
hand in opposite palm.

6



Rub each thumb
clasped in opposite
hand.

7



Rub hands until
product is dry. Do not
use paper towels.

8



Once dry, your hands
are clean.

Sources:

Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion (Public Health Ontario), Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee. Best practices for hand hygiene in all health care settings [Internet]. 4th ed. Toronto, ON: Queen's Printer for Ontario; 2014. Available from: <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/documents/bp-hand-hygiene.pdf?la=en>

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