TOKENS & COUPONS- FARMERS’ MARKET NUTRITION INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

How does it work?

1. A customer can receive tokens from our market table via a credit card, SNAP Card (food stamps) or an unstamped WIC or Senior Discount coupon.

2. Vendors only accept TWO Truro Farmers’ Market tokens at our market:

   - **TFM SNAP/ CREDIT/ DEBIT TOKEN**
     - Given for SNAP/ Credit/ Debit Cards
     - (can buy SNAP eligible items only—see table below)

   - **TFM FRUIT & VEG TOKEN**
     - Given for BONUS programs (SNAP & WIC/Sr, etc. p)
     - (can buy fruit & veg ONLY)

   • **COUPONS CAN BUY:** ONLY fruits, vegetables, herbs grown on your farm (and Seniors can buy honey).
   • **NO CHANGE** or cash exchanged for either the tokens or coupons.

• How do I get paid? Vendor Reimbursement of Truro Farmer’s Market Tokens/ Coupons:

   1. Please submit your tokens to the Market Manager at the Sustainable CAPE Token Table at the end of each market.
   2. Count your tokens and figure out the amount due, and we’ll take the tokens and give you a receipt.
   3. Token reimbursements will be paid by check mailed out to you at the end of each month.
   4. Send in your coupons directly to the State (see MA Farmers Market Nutrition Program Cheat Sheet).
Truro Farmer’s Market Token Program & Safety Protocol Vendor Agreement

This agreement is between the Truro Farmers’ Market (herein referred to as “TFM”) and ________________________________, an authorized TFM vendor (herein referred to as “VENDOR”).

This agreement allows the above-mentioned VENDOR to participate in the Nutrition Incentive Token Program at the TFM. It also confirms the vendors’ agreement to adhere to the safety rules of the Truro Educational Farmers Market.

The SNAP/CREDIT/DEBIT TOKEN and FRUIT & VEG TOKEN Program will operate in the following manner: SNAP or Credit Card customers may purchase wooden tokens from designated TFM staff. The patron’s card will be debited for the value of the tokens purchased. Patrons will use the tokens for purchase of SNAP eligible foods ONLY (see below) from authorized vendors at the MARKET.

At the discretion of the market and dependent upon funding, FRUIT & VEG TOKENS will be given out as bonus incentive tokens. A $10 bonus will be given to customers who use certain forms of payment (SNAP, coupons, etc) at the market.

At the end of each market day, authorized VENDORS will exchange tokens for a reimbursement receipt from MARKET staff. A reimbursement check will be given to the VENDOR at the first market of every month. VENDOR should keep receipts for verification.

Specific TFM wooden tokens will be used in $2.50 denominations.

VENDOR is bound by this agreement to follow all guidelines, as set forth by Federal and State authorities and the TFM. TFM reserves the right to immediately suspend or terminate VENDOR from the program if TFM observes, or receives evidence of, failure to abide by any of the agreement. VENDOR may voluntarily cease participating in the SNAP program at any time, but must notify the market of such action. VENDOR may not use tokens to pay for a market booth.

**VENDOR:**

- VENDOR agrees to accept only TRURO FARMERS MARKET TOKENS, and will not accept any other market’s tokens.
- VENDOR agrees to accept TFM SNAP/CREDIT/DEBIT TOKENS for the purchase of SNAP eligible foods ONLY, including: bread products, produce, meat, fish, poultry, eggs, dairy products, seeds, and plants which produce food to eat (see attached “For Vendors: Tokens & Coupons—Nutrition Incentive Programs” for more information). No sales of food to be eaten on site or hot foods.
- VENDOR agrees to accept TFM FRUIT & VEG TOKENS for the purchase of fruits & vegetables ONLY.
- VENDOR agrees that no U.S. currency will be returned to the customer as change if payment for product is solely by tokens.
- VENDOR agrees NOT to exchange any tokens for U.S. currency with any person except authorized TFM staff.

___________________________ ________________________________ Date
VENDOR Representative Title ________________________________

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MARKET Representative Title ________________________________