

Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market Affidavit: Verification of Organic Growing Practices

Required for All Non-Certified Applicants to the Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market

I affirm that all land used for production of the crops that I intend to sell at the Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market has been free of synthetic chemical pesticides, herbicides, sewage sludge and fertilizers for at least 3 years prior to the date of this application.

I do not gross over \$5000 annually selling organic products.

I do not have a split vegetable operation, with both organic and non-organic production.

I affirm that the statements in my Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market application are accurate and correct and I intend for the Farmers' Market Coordinator and MOFGA staff to rely upon this, solely with respect to the Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market, for verification of my organic growing practices.

I understand that during the growing season, a member of MOFGA's Staff may visit my production land for verification of organic growing practices and to inspect my records that document my compliance with organic practice.

I have read and understand the guidelines provided in the Farmers' Market application package, including the MOFGA Food Policy, for any value added products.()*

*Although I have chosen not to apply for MOFGA's Organic Certification, I have read and understand the current MOFGA Certification Services' Practice Manual and certification standards. (**)*

If accepted to the Common Ground Country Fair Farmers' Market, I agree to present my crops and products as organic only in that I have, and will, abide by the current standards.

Applicant's Farm Name _____

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

* - MOFGA Food Guidelines and Food Ingredient forms are available on MOFGA's website – www.mofga.org – and from the Fair Office.

** - MOFGA's Organic Certification Standards and applications are available free on MOFGA Certification Services website – http://mofgacertification.org/. Hard copies are available from the MOFGA Certification office.

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