



DENTON COMMUNITY MARKET

DENTON'S LOCAL ART & FARMER'S MARKET

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Denton Community Market COVID-19 Health and Safety Policy

The following Health and Safety Policy complies with the Denton City Council Order requiring all commercial and nonprofit entities in the city of Denton that provide goods or services directly to the public to develop and implement a Health and Safety Policy in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). This Policy takes effect immediately and will be in place until such time as the Order of Council is lifted *and* the Denton Community Market (DCM) Board of Directors approves a plan to resume normal DCM market rules. Where this Policy conflicts with the Vendor Handbook or other DCM policies, this Policy supersedes.

A. Applicability

This policy applies to all DCM Staff, Volunteers, Board Members, Vendors, Visitors, and Customers. By attending the market, all individuals are agreeing to abide by this Policy. Those who do not wish to comply will be asked to leave the market.

DCM vendors are covered by this policy and per city guidance are not required to develop or post additional individual business policies unless they wish to do so.

B. Mask/Face Coverings

- All individuals over the age of 10 must wear face coverings that cover the nose and mouth when within the market boundaries or conducting DCM activities.
- Individuals with an operational or personal need to remove a face covering may do so as long as they are not interacting with customers, vendors, staff or volunteers.
- The requirement of a face covering does not apply if covering the nose and mouth poses a significant mental or physical health risk to the individual; however, these individuals must still comply with all other safety measures (see below).

C. Social Distancing

- Vendors shall avoid all unnecessary hand to hand contact with customers. Items should be placed on the table or bagged for customers to pick up. Payment should be placed on the table.
- Vendors shall limit opportunities for customers to handle products that are not being purchased. This includes artisan crafts on display.
- All booths will be 6+ feet apart to maximize space and minimize clustering from each other; market layout will reflect this.
- No one is allowed to occupy the 6-foot spaces between booths.
- Individuals waiting in line in front of a vendor booth will stand 6+ feet apart.
- Individuals waiting to enter the market boundaries will stand 6+ feet apart.

D. Other Mitigation Measures

- DCM Staff and Volunteers reserve the right to limit the number of customers allowed in the Market boundary in order to comply with social distancing. Once the determined capacity has been reached, customers will be asked to wait outside the entrance, along the sidewalk, spaced 6 feet apart.
- Vendors are required to wear gloves or wash/sanitize their hands regularly between customers. Everyone should wash hands regularly.
- Vendors shall not provide food or drink samples of any kind; there shall be no communal, self-serve areas.

- Vendors are highly encouraged to offer a touchless payment option like Venmo or Apple Pay.
- Vendors should limit the number of people working their booth to 2 or less, whenever possible.
- Food and drinks prepared on site may only be sold if packaged in to-go or carry out containers. Purchased food should not be consumed within the market boundaries.
- Individuals will be asked to avoid lingering and congregating within the market boundaries.
- Only plastic or easily wipeable tablecloths shall be allowed on vendor tables; vendors shall sanitize surfaces at least once per hour.
- Hand Sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol content) shall be provided at every booth.
- DCM shall provide a handwashing station, open to all.
- Anyone who is feeling unwell should stay home – staff, volunteers or vendors will be sent home if they exhibit internal body temperature of 100.4 °F or higher.
- Any individual who is at higher risk, including individuals over 65 and/or with underlying health conditions, are encouraged to stay home.
- Any individual who has been exposed to COVID-19, or who is living with someone who has been exposed, should stay home.

E. Positive or Possible COVID Cases at Market

- Anyone noticing possible symptoms or developing concerns about their health, should contact their primary care provider immediately.
- If a vendor, staff member or volunteer tests positive for, is diagnosed with, or believes they have COVID-19, even if they have no symptoms:
 - Immediately inform the Vendor Coordinator (vendorcoordinator@dentonmarket.org). All identifying information will remain confidential. The individual should remain in self isolation and follow healthcare provider's advice.
 - The DCM Board reserves the right to close the market temporarily in response to a positive case at the market.
 - The individual may return to the market only if they show no symptoms **and**:
 - It has been at least 14 days since symptoms first appeared and they have a negative COVID-19 test result; **or**
 - They have received two negative test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart.
- If a vendor, staff member or volunteer lives with or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, they should:
 - Immediately inform the Vendor Coordinator (vendorcoordinator@dentonmarket.org). All identifying information will remain confidential.
 - The individual may return to the market only after remaining symptom free for 14 days after last contact with the COVID-19 positive patient.

F. Communication and Enforcement

- This Policy shall be posted at or near the DCM entrance, in clear view of any staff, vendors, or members of the public entering the market boundaries.
- This Policy shall be posted on the DCM Website and made available upon request.
- This Policy shall be emailed to all vendors, staff and volunteers.
- Individuals who decline to follow this policy will be asked to leave the market boundaries.

*Approved by Denton Community Market Board of Directors
June 30th, 2020*