

# Free Speech Rules at our Farmers Markets

**“Free Speech Zones”  
have been designated in each market operated  
by Marin Agricultural Institute.**

- 1) Please go to the information booth at each of our markets and ask for the market manager. He/She will assign you a space for that market on the day requested. Spaces are limited and will be assigned strictly on a first-come, first-serve basis. (The market manager may *not* grant or deny space simply on the basis of your political or religious views.)
- 2) You may set up a card table or folding table no larger than [6' x 3'] in your assigned space. Larger tables are not permitted because they impede the flow of traffic and create safety hazards during emergency evacuations.
- 3) In conducting your free-speech activities, you may not block or impede traffic flow around the entrance to the market, around any designated exits, or in any fire lanes.
- 4) You may not block, restrict access to, or otherwise interfere with the operation of the market or its vendors.
- 5) Because umbrellas and tents can cause injuries if they are not adequately set up and secured, you like all the other vendors are *not* permitted to set them up in the free-speech area without first submitting a complete application to the market manager with evidence of insurance coverage as per application as well as follow all the rules and regulations regarding set-up and tie down requirements for all market vendors equipment during inclement weather. You may obtain an application form at [www.marinfarmersmarkets.org](http://www.marinfarmersmarkets.org)
- 6) We ask that you respect our patrons' right to privacy by not pushing unwanted materials on them.
- 7) We encourage you to restrict your distribution of flyers and other material, both to cut down on waste and to avoid the buildup of trash that could impede the flow of traffic in the market.
- 8) To respect the right of all people in the free-speech zone to be heard and to allow our patrons to hear emergency evacuation alarms, we do not allow amplification equipment in the free-speech zone .
- 9) Commercial activities are not permitted in the free-speech zone.
- 10) The above rules have been instituted to protect the safety of our patrons and to guarantee the free-speech rights of people who visit our markets. Violation of any of the above rules may result in your removal from the market and/or a denial of subsequent access to the free-speech zone.

## 11) Sign-In Sheet

The undersigned person acknowledges they are the responsible party for the group named which is utilizing the Free speech zone on the date indicated.

The undersigned accepts responsibility for all actions and activity of the group in connection with the Marin Farmers Markets activities.

The undersigned agrees that the group which the undersigned represents (or the undersigned, if acting in an individual capacity) will indemnify and hold harmless the Marin Farmers Markets.

The undersigned person additionally acknowledges they have read the rules for the area and agree to comply with those rules.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Group Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Responsible Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ID:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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