2020 Saturday Market Busking Policy

Thanks for your interest in performing at the City of Bloomington Community Farmers’ Market. On Saturdays, in addition to the scheduled performances on the circular stage and Showers Plaza, buskers are permitted to engage in performing arts, henna and face painting in designated areas in and around Market, adding to the community and cultural experience. In order to provide an atmosphere in which these activities can occur without disrupting the other activities of Market, follow the guidelines below.

There are six designated busking spaces within Showers Common (the black topped area) and Showers Plaza. The space numbers are marked on the pavement as well. Two spaces (designated with an uppercase ‘B’) are designated as group (two or more people) spaces and four spaces (designated with a lowercase ‘b’) are designated as individual spaces. Individual buskers may perform in the group spaces, if no individual spaces are available. Depending on farm vending space needs, the number of designated busking spaces may be reduced to accommodate additional farm vending spaces.

A busking sign up sheet is located at the Market Info Table and will be available each Market day by 8 am. Individual buskers may sign up for a maximum of one hour in any one space and a maximum of two hours total for the day, on the following schedule: 8:30–9:30 am, 9:30–10:30 am, 10:30–11:30 am and 11:30 am–12:30 pm. Busking groups may sign up for a maximum of 1 ½ hours in any one space and a maximum of three hours for the day on the following schedule: 8:15 – 9:45 am, 9:45 – 11:15 am and 11:15 am – 12:45 pm. Buskers may not reserve spaces for other buskers. If a busker is not in the space by their reserved time, the space may be reassigned to another busker.

Busking is permitted anywhere outside Showers Common, as long as buskers have signed the busking agreement, follow the additional guidelines below, and are considerate of other nearby buskers and Market vendors.

Vehicles and Parking:
There is no vehicle access for buskers to the Market area. Buskers should park their vehicles during Market hours in the I.U. EM-S Permit lot, which is accessed from the alley between 9th and 10th Streets off Morton Street and is free of charge. City parking is enforced on Saturdays.

Additional Guidelines:
• Buskers may not actively solicit donations at the Market. A passive donation jar/hat/instrument case for tips is permitted.
• Buskers may not amplify sound.
• Buskers may not use or distribute balloons.
• Buskers may display and offer for sale CDs or other recordings of their music, but may not actively solicit sales.
• Buskers shall engage in activities that are appropriate for all ages and enhance the character of the Market.
• Pets are not permitted in Showers Common (the blacktop area where farm vendors sell), the B-Line Café and the fee area of Info Alley.
• Smoking and vaping are not permitted in Showers Common, Showers Plaza if events are taking place, the B-Line Café and the fee area of Info Alley.
• Distribution of items intended for human consumption is not permitted within the boundaries of the Market.
• Weather Policy:
  In the event of thunder, lightning, high winds, tornado, hail or other severe weather at the Market site, participants are advised to take shelter on the lower level of City Hall. In the case of heavy rain, thunder or lightning, if participants cannot take cover in the building, then move to an enclosed vehicle with a metal roof and closed windows, taking care not to touch the metal frame of the vehicle until the threat has passed.

The Monroe County emergency sirens sound with a steady tone in the event that the National Weather Service has issued a tornado warning for the county or if emergency personnel have sighted a funnel cloud or tornado. At the time of the siren sounding, the Market Master will alert Market patrons that the downstairs interior hallway of City Hall is the safest nearby location to seek shelter until the threat has passed. The tornado siren will sound for 5 minutes, but the cessation of the siren
does not necessarily mean that the threat of tornado has passed. Market staff will notify participants in City Hall when it is safe to return to the Market.

An individual busker or a busking group representative must complete and return the attached agreement before performing at Market and is responsible for ensuring this information is shared with all members of the group who may be performing with them.

If you have any questions or concerns or are interested in scheduling a performance, please contact Sarah Mullin at (812) 349-3738 or mullins@bloomington.in.gov.
I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY
THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY FARMERS’ MARKET
2020 BUSKING PERFORMANCE POLICY

Group Name__________________________________________

Contact Person__________________________________________

Phone__________________________Email____________________

Address________________________________________________

City________________________State________Zip________________

Signature________________________Date____________________

Return to:

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