



**Island County Public Health**

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**Food Vendor Farmers Market Permit Matrix**

2022 Farmer's Market Operating Options					
Foods & Beverages	Island County	Washington State Department of Agriculture		Federal or State	Exemptions That May Apply
	Farmers Market Permit	WSDA Food Processor License	WSDA Cottage Food License	Other	Notification or Documentation Required
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<b>Beverages (Iced Drinks, Juices, Smoothies, etc.) – Prepared on site</b>	X				
<b>Beverages – Non-TCS Commercially Packaged</b>					<a href="#">Exempt by definition (Island County Food Code – 0115)</a>
<b>Candy &amp; Frozen Confections</b>					<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>
<b>Coffee/Ciders (Served hot without direct contact)</b>					<a href="#">Exempt by definition (Island County Food Code – 0115)</a>
<b>Canned Specialty Foods</b>		X			<a href="#">WSDA</a>
<b>Cotton Candy</b>					<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>
<b>Dairy – Milk Products, Cheese, Butter</b>	X			X	<a href="#">WSDA</a> or FDA licensed.
<b>Dry Mixes (Soups, cookies, drinks, herbs &amp; spices, etc.) – Packaged</b>			X		<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>
<b>Eggs - Commercial</b>	X	X		X	<a href="#">WSDA or Processed under USDA inspection</a>
<b>Eggs – Farm Fresh</b>				X	<a href="#">WSDA Egg Handler/Dealer</a>
<b>Fish</b>	X	X		X	<a href="#">WDFW, WSDA,</a> or FDA License
<b>Honey</b>		X			<a href="#">WSDA</a> if processed
<b>Jams and Jellies</b>		X	X	X	<a href="#">WSDA</a> or FDA licensed.
<b>Meats (Beef, Pork, Lamb) – Commercially Packaged</b>	X			X	<a href="#">Processed under USDA inspection</a>
<b>Non TCS foods – Commercially Packaged</b>					<a href="#">Exempt by definition (Island County Food Code – 0115)</a>
<b>Non-TCS Foods - Open food handling or sampling</b>	X				<a href="#">Nonprofit bake sale exempt w/placard (Island County Food Code – 0115)</a>
<b>Nuts (Includes on site roasting and candy coating)</b>				X	<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>



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Nursery Stock (Tomato, corn, & cabbage starts, etc.)				X	<a href="#">WSDA Nursery Dealer License</a>
Popcorn					<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>
Produce – Fresh (i.e. Whole, Farm Cut non Ready to Eat)					<a href="#">Exempt by definition (Island County Food Code – 0115)</a>
Produce – Processed (Ready to Eat Cut Leafy Greens, Tomatoes, or Melons, Salad Mixes, etc.)	X				
Poultry – Farm Fresh	X			X	<a href="#">WSDA Special Poultry Permit</a>
Poultry – Commercial	X			X	<a href="#">Processed under USDA inspection</a>
Seafood/Shellfish	X			X	<a href="#">WDFW</a> or FDA License
Shaved Ice or Snow Cones					<a href="#">Exempt with Approval (Island County Food Code – 08305)</a>
Spirits including Beer, Cider, Wine, etc.				X	<a href="#">WSLCB Farmers Market License</a>

**Partner Websites**

- Island County Food Code - <https://www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/EH/Food-Service/Documents/WAC/FoodCodeWAC246-215%201.15.21.pdf>
- FDA Retail Food Establishment Flow Chart - <https://www.fda.gov/files/food/published/Retail-Food-Establishment-Exemption-Flowchart.pdf>
- USDA Inspection Programs - <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/inspection/inspection-programs>
- Washington State Department of Agriculture Small Farm Fact Sheets - <https://agr.wa.gov/departments/business-and-marketing-support/small-farm/the-green-book/regulations-for-specific-products>
- Washington State Department of Agriculture Licensing, Permits, And Certificates - <https://agr.wa.gov/services/licenses-permits-and-certificates>
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Licensing - <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses>
- Washington State Food Worker Card - [www.foodworkercard.wa.gov](http://www.foodworkercard.wa.gov)
- Washington State Liquor Control Board - <https://lcb.wa.gov/licensing/farmers-market-authorizationendorsement>