

Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION (MLCC)

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Farmer's Market Permit Requirements and General Information (MCL 436.1415)

A Farmer's Market Permit:

- Permit issued by the Liquor Control Commission to a qualified Small Wine Maker to conduct wine tastings and may also sell, at retail, wine produced by that Small Wine Maker at a Farmer's Market.
- A qualified Small Wine Maker means a small wine maker who manufactures or bottles a total production combined from all locations owned by the same entity, not more than 5,000 gallons of wine in one calendar year. May also include an out of state winery.
- One (1) permit may be issued in a county where the Farmer's Market is located for <u>each</u> 1,500 of population
- Tastings and sales shall be limited to an exclusive area, that is well defined and clearly marked, and under control of the permit holder
- The application must include an authorized signature from the local police agency and Farmer's Market manager approving the tastings and sales of wine at that location
- Tasting samples provided to a customer shall not exceed 3 servings of not more than 2 ounces of wine in a 24-hour period.
- All wine sold or used for tastings shall be furnished by the small wine maker and removed from the farmer's market premises upon conclusion of the farmer's market
- All tastings and sales shall be conducted by employees of the Farmer's Market Permit who have completed a server training program approved by the Commission.
- A licensed Wholesaler is prohibited from conducting or participating in any tastings or sales under this permit.
- The permit holder must renew the permit each year by April 30 by paying the \$25.00 permit fee.

How to apply for a Farmer's Market permit:

- 1.) Submit a Farmer's Market Permit Application (LCC-250) along with the following:
 - a.) Application must include signatures from the local police agency who has jurisdiction where the Farmers Market is located and the Farmer's Market manager approving the activities.
 - b.) \$25.00 permit fee along with a \$70.00 application fee. Please make <u>one</u> check or money order payable to the "State of Michigan".
 - c.) A map of the Farmer's Market which clearly shows all booths, stalls, or other designated locations where tastings and sales of wine may be conducted by a small wine maker.

d.) Out of state wineries please include a copy of your Federal Basic Permit and copy of state license.

How To Contact The Michigan Liquor Control Commission:

Michigan Liquor Control Commission P.O. Box 30005 Lansing, MI 48909 Toll –Free: 1-866-813-0011 Email: <u>MLCCMWapplications@michigan.gov</u> Website: <u>www.michigan.gov/lcc</u>