

Arkansas WIC FMNP Farmer and Farmers Market Authorization Criteria

Farmers must meet the following criteria to be selected and authorized for participation in the Arkansas FMNP:

- Grow at least 50% of the Arkansas/locally grown fruits, vegetables and herbs sold at this market.
- Must accept FMNP coupons only in exchange for unprocessed Arkansas/locally grown fruits, vegetables, and herbs.
- Must be selling produce in a market authorized by the FMNP.
- Must have Arkansas/locally grown fresh, unprocessed fruits, vegetables, and herbs available for sale on a regular and consistent basis during the months of June through October 15.
- Must provide the FMNP with the information contained on the application form and other information requested by the FMNP.
- Must abide by terms of Agreement with the FMNP.

Farmers markets must meet the following criteria to be selected and authorized to participate in the Arkansas FMNP:

- Must be in counties where participants are issued FMNP coupons.
- Must include one (1) or more Arkansas/local farmers who are approved members of the market and who grow at least 50% of the produce sold. At least one of these farmers must be approved to accept WIC FMNP coupons.
- Must have or develop some formal organizational structure, i.e., a market manager or manager elected to represent other farmers. To be considered a farmers market, it must have at least one farmer. A farm stand or roadside stand can be approved for FMNP authorization.
- Must supply information required by the FMNP for the purpose of determining eligibility, monitoring, and reporting.
- Must have regular and sufficient hours of business, days of operation, and a consistent and sufficient number of farmers with produce available for sale.
- Must abide by terms of the Agreement with the FMNP.