



Farmers Market Dog Policy

We love seeing our community enjoy the market, and that includes our four-legged friends! To keep the market safe, enjoyable, and hygienic for everyone, please follow our dog guidelines.

Dogs Are Welcome Under These Conditions

1. Dogs must remain on a lead at all times

- Leads must be short, secure, and held by an adult.
- No retractable leashes, as they create hazards in crowded walkways.

2. Dogs must be under control

- Your dog should stay calmly by your side.
- If your dog is reactive, anxious in crowds, or doesn't cope well with other dogs or children, please leave them at home.

3. Keep dogs away from food tables and displays

- For health and safety reasons, dogs must not sniff, lick, or lean over any food products or vendor counters.

4. Clean up immediately

- Owners must clean up all waste and dispose of it in designated bins.
- Please come prepared with your own waste bags.

5. Be mindful of space and people

- The market can get busy. Keep your dog close.
- Ensure they don't block walkways, jump on people, or approach others without permission.

6. No aggressive behaviour

- If a dog shows any signs of aggression—growling, lunging, or snapping—owners will be asked to remove the dog immediately.

Service Dogs

Certified service dogs are always welcome and are exempt from certain restrictions in accordance with local regulations. Please ensure they are clearly identifiable.

Market Management Rights

Market staff reserve the right to:

- Ask any owner to remove their dog if it is causing disruption or posing a safety risk.
- Restrict dog access during exceptionally busy market days.

Additional Considerations (Added by Market Management)

- **Hot Weather Safety:** On hot days, please consider ground temperature and your dog's wellbeing.
- **Stallholder Guidance:** Stallholders may request additional distance from dogs for safety or hygiene needs.

Thank You for Keeping the Market Safe & Dog-Friendly!

By working together, we can make the market a welcoming space for customers, vendors, and pets alike.