



Dear Processed Food Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in selling processed items at our Markets. The Berkeley Farmers' Markets are sponsored by the Ecology Center, a non-profit organization that has played an important role in the environmental movement since 1969. We are working to develop a more responsible society by identifying environmentally and socially destructive practices and demonstrating sound alternatives. The main focus of the Farmers' Markets is on making fresh, locally grown produce - primarily from small-scale organic farmers - available to the community. For the processed food items we allow in our markets we consider the following criteria:

- 1) Fresh ingredients are in season locally.
- 2) Fresh ingredients are either organic, or are purchased from farmers at the Berkeley Farmers' Markets.
- 3) At least 80% of all other ingredients are organic. Please note that all soy, corn, canola, and rice products must be certified organic due to GMO contamination issues.
- 4) Packaging is minimized, and an effort is made to use the most environmentally sound packaging possible. Of course, all health department requirements must be met.
- 5) The producer's business is small-scale and locally based.
- 6) Products are affordable and of high quality.
- 7) The product is made in a commercial kitchen with a current health permit.
- 8) Any other appropriate permits have been obtained. Please contact the Berkeley Health Department at (510) 981-5283 for information on permits required in Berkeley. A Berkeley Health Permit need not be obtained before admission to sell in the Berkeley Farmers' Market.

If your product meets these criteria and you think it would fit in well at the Berkeley Farmers' Markets, please complete the application and send it by mail, fax, or email to:

Berkeley Farmers' Markets
Ecology Center
2530 San Pablo Ave
Berkeley, CA 94702

Fax: (510) 548-2240
Email: bfm@ecologycenter.org

When space is available at the Markets, the market managers and the Farmers' Market Committee will consider applications at our monthly meetings. Due to limited space availability in our market and the high volume of applications received, *we will contact you only if openings become available for your general product category.* Feel free to call us at (510) 548-3333 or email us at bfm@ecologycenter.org with any questions.

Berkeley Farmers' Markets Processed Food Application

Business Name _____ Date _____

Contact Person _____

Address _____

Business Phone (____) _____ Home Phone (____) _____

Email _____ Website _____

Please describe the processed item(s) you wish to sell at our Markets:

Please list all of the ingredients you use. Note ingredients that would be purchased at the Berkeley Farmers' Markets, and those that are organically grown:

How is your product packaged or served?

Is there anything else about your product or your business that is consistent with the mission of the Ecology Center, and that would make your product an appropriate addition to our Markets?

What other Farmers' Markets do you sell at?

Have you obtained the appropriate permits for producing and selling your product? Please specify.

Which of our three markets are you interested in attending?

Tuesday (2 – 7 year round) _____

Thursday (3 – 7 year round) _____

Saturday (10 – 3 year round) _____