

BE A GOOD FARMERS' MARKET CITIZEN IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19

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Now is the time to enjoy our vibrant local food system! Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), farmers' markets and online ordering are all ways to reduce the number of hands touching your food. In addition, fresh fruit and vegetables help to promote a

healthy immune system.

Stock up on local products and show support for growers who are working long hours to provide freshly harvested, high-quality fruits and vegetables as well as other locally grown, raised and made foods

Are farmers' markets allowed to operate during COVID-19?

Yes. Farmers' markets are essential businesses and are prepared to supply Coloradans with an abundance of fresh foods this season.

[Find Colorado Markets, Growers and Products](#)

Growers and market managers are taking extra precautions and working with local health agencies to ensure public safety. You will see an emphasis on online ordering, proper social distancing, good hygiene and sanitation. Do not plan to socialize at the market this year.

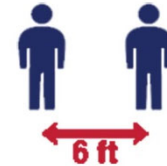
How will markets be different this year?

As a customer, you have a very important role in helping to protect the health of our communities.

- Only come to the market if you are in good health. If you feel sick, stay home.



WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY



STAY MORE THAN 6 FEET APART



GOING OUT? WEAR A CLOTH MASK IN PUBLIC

- Wash hands well before going to the market.
- Allow at least 6 feet between yourself and other people at all times.
- Wear a cloth face covering.
- If possible, use transaction methods that avoid physical contact such as Venmo, Paypal etc., or order ahead online.
- Avoid touching surfaces, and touch only the produce you are buying.
- Let vendors' bag products for you, unless you bring your own bags- then bag your items yourself.
- If produce is only available pre-boxed or pre-bagged, be understanding of the current situation and accept whatever the package contains.
- If you are able, buy extra produce to preserve and enjoy in the off-season.

Bringing your produce home

As always, handle produce safely at home.

- Wash hands well after returning home.
- Rinse all produce before using, follow these guidelines from [CSU Extension for handling different types of produce](#)

Buy Local. Grow Local.

For more information, visit [CDC.gov/Coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)



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