Lenoir County Farmer’s Market
Guidelines for Non Farm Crafts

The following guidelines are set forth for the purpose of jurying non-farm art and crafts in order to determine whether the proposed item is eligible to be sold at markets operated by Lenoir County Farmer’s Market. All non-farm art and crafts must be juried by the Market Manager and/or LCFM Association representative prior to being sold at the market. The LCFM Board has the final determination as to whether or not a craft item can be displayed and sold.

Crafts, for the purpose of the Lenoir County Farmer’s Market, shall be determined to be: an item which an observer of the craft can appreciate the technique and execution of the employment of manual skill in the craft's production.

Non-farm crafts are produced from materials not grown or harvested by the crafts person.

Farm crafts are value added farm products produced predominately from materials grown or harvested by the crafts person. These crafts do not have to be juried by the Crafts Committee but do have to pass all other farm inspections.

LCFM Association will make decisions on sale of the art or craft with the assistance of the appropriate Lenoir County Cooperative Extension Representative.

Any new non-farm craft item proposed to be sold at the Lenoir County Farmer’s Market must be reviewed and approved by the LCFM Association Board.

New non-farm crafts applicants must submit applications for review by at least one month before the next jurying date. These forms should be given to the market manager.

Members of the Market classed as farmers may sell non-farm crafts. These crafts must meet all guidelines contained herein, be reviewed and approved by the LCFM Association representative.

Specific Criteria

1. All crafts must be hand crafted by the vendor or a member of the vendors farm or craft unit.

2. Crafts must be the product of a home or cottage type industry using an intermediate type technology rather than an industrial type production. To be considered "hand crafted", the item must show evidence of manual skills obtainable only through a significant period of experience and dedication.

   Examples of unacceptable items would be, but not limited to: tracings of paint by number, photographs, postcards, prints, printed materials, ceramics or pottery from commercial molds, wood carvings using duplicating machines, kits in any form, and any other items which clearly do not reflect originality of design.
3. The value of purchased raw materials shall not exceed 30% of the selling price.

4. No mechanical, optical, digital, or electronic reproductions will be allowed.

5. All crafts must be of excellent workmanship both in quality and design.

6. All crafts vendors must comply with and abide by all Rules and By-Laws used to govern the Lenoir County Farmer's Market.

7. The Market manager has the discretion to immediately remove any craft item that he/she considers objectionable. The LCFM must review the manager’s decision within 30 days and make an official ruling on the matter.

8. Producers of fruits and vegetables have priority on all space at the LCFM. Space will only be allocated to non-farm craft vendors on market days when there are not enough fruit and vegetable producers at the market.