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Adelaide Hills Farmers Markets (AHFM)

a not-for-profit community event

Market Rules and Responsibilities for Stallholders and Non-Stallholders

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Mission of the AHFM

Operate sustainable commercial Farmers Markets that will promote, develop, assist and support emerging and existing producers to sell their products to consumers in a market setting and thereby fostering mutually beneficial relationships between the growers and customers on multiple levels.

Objectives:

The overall objective of the AHFM is to achieve sustainable commercial trading outcomes which will add quality, social, health and educational benefits to the community.

More specifically, the AHFM aims to:-

- Promote, develop & support primary producers in the Adelaide Hills region
- Support and facilitate sustainable commercial trading and business development for primary producers and value adders of primary produce
- Assist the development of emerging primary producers/growers from the region
- Provide the infrastructure to encourage market traders to sell fresh, high quality, seasonal and nutritious products grown or produced in the region
- Provide a public forum that maximises interaction between the consumer and/or the grower and producer to add educational and social values to buying food
- Support stallholders that offer value-added products of high quality that are synonymous with the overall objectives of the market
- Reduce food miles
- Provide a venue that is enjoyable, friendly, safe and fun for all stakeholders
- Attract people from adjacent regions to buy food/products and to enjoy the distinct Adelaide Hills Farmers Markets atmosphere
- Celebrate cultural diversity
- Utilise the Market as a venue that fosters beneficial activities for the community
- To do all such things as may be necessary and incidental to the attainment of the above objectives

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Operational Rules of the Adelaide Hills Farmers Market

1. Operation of the Market

1.1 The Adelaide Hills Farmers Markets (AHFM) hereafter called 'market' will operate from a site at the TAFE car park, Mount Barker every Saturday from 8.00 am to 12.00midday unless advised differently by the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee. A different site may be identified over time.

1.2 The market may also operate, from time to time, on different days and at different times and in synergy with other events that may happen in the region.

1.3 Operational dates and times of the market are determined at the discretion of the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee.

2. Responsibility of the Markets operations

2.1 The AHFM is an incorporated not-for-profit Association and operates in accordance with the Constitution of the AHFM as prescribed under the Associations Act 1985 with the main aim to act as a community event.

2.2 The activities of the AHFM will be administered by the Committee. The Committee is responsible for the overall management of the Market and is made up as detailed in the Constitution.

2.3 The Committee will be responsible for the management of funds, assets/property of the Association and will be the legal body responsible to enter into contracts, agreements and engagements, raise revenue through membership contributions, stallholder fees and expend monies for essential services and requirements to conduct the general business of the AHFM.

2.4 The Committee will have the powers and authorities as set out in the Constitution of the Association.

2.5 The Committee has the power to appoint a 'Market Manager', contractors or staff to conduct the day-to-day activities and to manage the operations of the market. Specific tasks will be set out in Position Descriptions (PD's) developed by members of the Committee.

3. Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee

3.1 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee will be responsible for the overall operation of the weekly market to ensure that all

Stallholders comply with and adhere to the Constitution of the Association, the Market Rules and any policies and procedures that are prescribed by the Committee.

3.2 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee is responsible to report to the Committee at intervals determined by the Committee on operational, financial, safety, health or environmental issues or other items as required.

4. Member and Memberships

4.1 The AHFM will accept application of members applying for membership on the form as approved by the Committee, from time to time. The AHFM will accept individual members and organisational members. Organisational members must nominate a single individual 'nominee' to represent the organisation. Organisational members may appoint one (1) nominee, only.

4.2 Members must agree to support the objectives of the Association and be bound by the Rules of the Constitution.

4.3 Acceptance of membership will be confirmed by the Secretary or a person authorised by the Association following payment of the membership fee.

4.4 Membership fees are set by the Committee and reviewed annually as specified in Schedule 1.

4.5 Membership benefits will be determined by the Committee, from time to time, and may be withdrawn at any time. This will include until otherwise determined an entitlement to a discount card which on presentation to stallholders entitles a member to a discount of 10% on the full price of goods available for sale by stallholders.

4.6 The right to obtain a member's discount applies to the individual member. The Member's discount card is strictly non-transferable and any breaches will result in any discount benefits being terminated forthwith and the discount card confiscated and returned to the Association.

4.7 The members' discount card remains the property of the Association and the member must hold and present to the stallholder at the time of each purchase a valid membership card to receive members' discount.

4.8 Termination and suspension of membership is detailed in the Constitution Rules 11 through 18.

4.9 Members that wish to trade at the market must apply to the Committee or its authorised member for a 'Licence to Trade'. The Committee will assess all

applications against a set of trading criteria (Qualifications to Trade) and will inform the applicant if a licence to trade will be granted.

4.10. Trading criteria are set out in the 'Qualifications for Licence to trade' which are detailed in Schedule 3.

5. Stallholders and License to Trade

5.1 All Stallholders must be residents of South Australia

5.2 Prior to trading at the AHFM, a stallholder must apply for a licence to trade as detailed in the Stallholders Information Pack [**Annexure 1**], and provide any additional information that may be required.

5.3 It is at the absolute discretion of the Committee to conduct site audits on the property of the growers and producers premises. Audits may be conducted when an initial application is made and thereafter at no more than 12 monthly intervals.

5.4 A stallholder must be a current member of the AHFM and have paid the membership fee.

5.5 Failure to comply with Rule 5.1 to 5.4 will result in refusal of entry the market site for trading.

5.6 A License to trade is not transferable and must not be sold as a chattel of a business transaction. In the event that a business is sold or leased, the new business owners or their nominee must apply for a licence to trade to the Committee.

5.7 If the stallholder is a body corporate a transfer of shares totalling more than one-half of the issued share capital in any one year period after the issue of the Licences to trade shall constitute a transfer of the Licence which is not permitted by these rules and will result in the cancelation of the Licence to trade issued by the Committee to the stallholder.

5.8 A stallholder that is a body corporate shall be required to submit, in a form determined by the Committee and whenever requested by the Committee, a list of shareholders and their shareholdings and such further information as the Committee require, including but not limited to, the identity of the beneficial owners of those shares.

5.9 Relevant not for profit community organisations may be, from time to time, invited to attend and carry out trading or provide information on community activities at the market on a casual basis but are required to support the overall objectives of the AHFM.

6. Product Origin

6.1 All primary produce for sale at the AHFM must have been grown in the Adelaide Hills region unless pursuant to Rule 6.4, the product has been approved by the Committee or its authorised member and qualifies under the Licence to Trade and is listed in the approved product list.

6.2 The Adelaide Hills region is defined as the regions of the Adelaide Hills within the boundaries of the Adelaide Hills Council and the Mount Barker Council. A map is included to outline the region [**Appendix 1**].

6.3 All value added products for sale at the AHFM must have been produced by the stallholder from predominately primary produce; the most significant ingredient of which, or an ingredient that defines the product, must be grown in the Adelaide Hills Region, unless pursuant to Rule 6.4, the product has been approved by the Committee or its authorised member and qualifies under the Licence to Trade.

6.4 The Committee may consider applications made by growers and producers that wish to offer for sale goods that are not produced within the Adelaide Hills region provided that they qualify under the License to Trade and the product is not seasonally available from the Adelaide Hills region.

6.5 All permitted products are listed in **Appendix 2(Allowable products list)** . Preference will be given to product that is local, seasonal, organic and biodynamic and approved by the Committee or its authorised member under the Licence to Trade.

6.6 In addition to the criteria applied to determine issuing the License to Trade, the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee will act, at all times, with integrity and with a social conscience and consideration of achieving a balanced offering of products when making decisions on issuing or refusing a Licence to trade

7. Stallholder Rules and Obligations

- 7.1 Attending stallholders are responsible for the safe and hygienic operation of their stalls. In particular, they must:-
- be operated by the owner, a relative or employee of the stallholder
 - have good knowledge of the product(s) for sale
 - sell only those products that have been listed and approved by the Committee or its authorised member under the Licence to Trade or otherwise permitted under these Rules

- not sell any products that are not listed on the 'Allowable Product List' unless otherwise permitted under these Rules
- provide a 10% discount of the advertised full price of all products to members that hold a valid membership card
- clearly display the name, region, quality and both full and members' prices of the product
- clearly show when product has been marked down
- appropriately label all fresh product
- adhere to labelling rules as defined in the Food Act for all packaged product.

7.2 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee has the absolute authority to ask the stallholder to remove product that is of sub-standard quality or does not comply with the Rules and/or Allowable Product List.

7.3 All primary producers must demonstrate that they manage the crop and livestock through a minimum of one full growing cycle.

7.4 All growers/farmers providing produce not grown or prepared on their own property must show that they have in place a formal lease arrangement with the owner of the land used for production.

7.5 "Stallholders may only carry product other than their own if they have approval from the Committee to do so and comply with the conditions of any approval from the Committee"

7.5.1 Attending Stallholders who will be absent for any reason (eg holidays illness etc) for no more than 4 markets may make arrangements with another attending stallholder to carry their goods with the prior approval of the Market Manager. If the absence will be for longer periods than 4 markets, approval must be sought from the Committee.

7.5.2 An approved stall holder who has not attended (or may not attend for at least 4 markets) may with approval of the Market Manager make arrangements with an attending stallholder to carry their products. If the absence will be for longer periods than 4 markets, approval must be sought from the Committee.
They must acknowledge that the range of products on their approved list available for sale may be limited by the Committee at any time (or by the Market Manager on 2 weeks' notice). This may happen if an attending stallholder wishes to carry that product in his/her own right as the Market wishes to promote, where possible, direct contact between producer and consumer.

- 7.5.3 Goods that are carried must in addition to any other labeling requirements display the name and contact details of the non-attending, approved stallholder
- 7.5.4 Legal responsibilities (OHS, Food Safety and Public Liability) for the goods sold at the Market rest with the attending approved stallholder. The non-attending stallholder/producer is responsible for Product Liability Insurance of their product.
- 7.5.5 Approval of non-attending stallholders follows the same application and approval process as that of attending stallholders.
- 7.5.6 Non-attending stallholders must be a fully paid member of the AHFM

8. Insurance

- 8.1 It is the stallholders' responsibility to carry sufficient public and product liability of retail sale insurance cover of no less than \$ 10,000,000 for Public Liability.
- 8.2 All stallholders must provide the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee with a copy of a **'Certificate of Currency'** before trading at the market.
- 8.3 It is the responsibility of the stallholder to renew insurance and to provide a certificate of currency to the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee following the renewal of insurance.
- 8.4 If no adequate or current insurance cover can be provided the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee has the authority to prevent a stallholder from trading and to refuse entry to the market.

9. Market operation

- 9.1 Market days will be held weekly on Saturday and may operate at other times at the discretion of the Committee.
- 9.2 All Stallholders that wish to trade at the AHFM need to make a commitment to trade for the majority of the year, regularly or the full season of their crop. Periods of non-trading must be identified and communicated to the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee ahead of time. Preference is given to stallholders that will commit to attend the market for most of the year and or the full season of their crop.
- 9.3 Site bookings need to be made for a 1 month period or longer.

9.4 Site bookings may be cancelled up to Thursday 10am prior to the market day. Fees that have already been paid will be credited to the Stallholder's account.

9.5 For sites cancelled after 10am on the Thursday prior to the market, no credit will apply unless the Committee or its authorised member deem otherwise.

9.6 At the discretion of the Committee or its authorised member casual stallholders may be invited to participate from time to time.

10 Site Fees and Payment Options

10.1 Site fees must be paid in advance for a minimum of one (1) month.

10.2 Payments may be made either by:-

Cash

Direct Debit

Cheque (cheques must be received 4 days prior to end of month)

10.3 The fees for the sites are detailed in **Schedule 2**. Fees are reviewed annually by the Committee.

10.4 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee has the authority to refuse entry to the Market to any stallholder who has not paid site fees pursuant to these Rules.

11 Site Allocation and Access to Market

11.1 Access to the allocated site at the TAFE Car Park for stallholders is from 6am on market day, for trading between the hours of 8am to 12 noon. These hours may be changed at the discretion of the Committee or its authorised member.

11.2 All stallholders are required to have their stalls ready, with all products displayed for sale and appropriately labelled by the start of the market.

11.3 It is the stallholders' responsibility to ensure that the stalls are appropriately staffed for the entire time of the trading hours of the market and are not dismantled until the closure of the market.

11.4 Any vehicle that is within the market area must display a 'valid parking permit'. Stallholders must park cars not used for trading in the area specifically reserved for traders.

11.5 Stallholders must comply with the rules relating to site access, occupancy, OHS, and any other rule set out in the lease agreement between AHFM and the TAFE Car Park Management.

11.6 Vehicle access to the market is determined by the Committee or its authorised member. Vehicles without a valid parking permit must be removed from the market area 15 minutes prior to the commencement of trading.

11.7 Generators are not permitted to be run during the trading hours of the market without the authority of the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee.

11.8 Stallholders requiring power must apply for the use of power to the Committee or its authorised member. On-site power will be allocated by the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee at a fee as set out in **Schedule 2**.

12 Signage, Labeling, Measuring and Packaging Rules

12.1 All stallholders must have signage that displays the Trading Name, address and contact details of the trading entity.

12.2 Signage must be kept within the allocated space.

12.3 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee has the right to request removal of inappropriate signage.

12.4 All product labelling must be compliant to the Australian New Zealand Food Standards Code and other relevant regulatory or legislative requirements.

12.5 All goods and products that are packaged on the market site and are sold as a weight unit of measure must be weighed in accordance to the National Measurement Act (NMI, 1960).

12.6 All products sold at the market must be packaged in South Australia and wherever possible packaging shall be:-

- minimal, recyclable, and environmentally friendly
- in re-usable bags
- compliant with current packaging recommendations and legislations
- inclusive of an ingredient list of all produce sold clearly displayed

13 Policies and Statutory Requirements

13.1 The market rules are underpinned by a number of policies and statutory requirements and it is the responsibility of the stallholder to be compliant and familiar with the relevant policies and codes including but not limited to:-

13.1.1 Australian and New Zealand Food Standards Code

<http://www.foodstandards.gov.au>

13.1.2 South Australian Food Act (2001)

<http://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/FOOD%20ACT%202001.aspx>

13.1.3 South Australian Food Regulations

<http://www.health.sa.gov.au/pehs/food-index.htm>

13.1.4 OHS & Welfare Act of SA (Safe Work practices)

<http://www.safework.sa.gov.au/>

13.1.5 AHFM Health and Safety Policy (inc. Smoking, Catering and preparation of food and hygiene)

14. Environmental Health Regulations

It is the responsibility of the stallholders to operate under the guidance of the environmental health regulations prescribed in the following documents:-

Public and Environmental Health Act 1987

Public and Environmental Health Regulations,

Public and Environmental Waste Control Regulations,

14.1 The Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee has the power to ensure that stallholders adhere to principles relating to Environmental Health by:-

- Providing safe and properly labeled food
- Preventing infectious and communicable diseases
- Ensuring community awareness of environmental and community health responsibilities
- Ensuring effective and safe management of wastes
- Providing environmental protection
- Preventing environmental and public health nuisances
- Promoting the physical, mental and social well-being of members of the community

14.2 It is the responsibility of the Stallholder to provide the resources and training necessary to ensure that, at all times, food and food waste are treated safely and the food is handled and packaged in a way to ensure safety for the

consumers. More details on food safety, handling, packaging, stall hygiene and transport of food is covered in AHFM's food safety policy in Clause 17.

15. Customers & Visitors to the Market

15.1 The AHFM applies a non-discriminatory policy and people from all walks of life, regardless of their backgrounds, their social, economic, religious or sexual preference are welcome to attend the market.

15.2 The AHFM encourages healthy living and as such the ADHM is a non-smoking venue

15.3 The market is an animal-free venue, with the exception of guide dogs, to ensure safety and hygiene at all times.

15.4 The AHFM encourages suggestions to improve the market which are to be directed to the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee.

15.5 The stallholders must conform to the 'AHFM Code of Conduct' which will be developed by the AHFM Committee as a matter of priority.

16. Complaints and Grievances

16.1 All complaints about the operation of the market or specific issues relating to trading activities must be made to the Market Manager in the first instance (oral or in writing), who will aim to resolve the problem. It is the responsibility the Market Manager to report to the Committee on complaints, at regular intervals.

16.2 All complaints not resolved by the Market Manager (a "serious complaint") are to be forwarded in writing to:-

**The Chairperson,
Adelaide Hills Farmers Markets,
PO Box 440,
Mount Barker 5251**

16.3 The written information must detail the complaint.

16.4 The Chairperson will then refer the serious complaint to the Committee or such other persons designated by the Committee ("the complaints panel") as the chairperson sees fit.

16.5 The complaints panel will consider the serious complaint and make a decision to attempt resolution of the serious complaint. If a resolution is not achieved, then the serious complaint shall be referred to an independent mediator to be agreed between the parties or otherwise appointed at the request

of either party. The costs of the mediator are to be paid by the parties at the discretion of the mediator.

16.6 Any person who lodges a serious complaint in accordance with these Rules must agree to enter into mediation in good faith and as a prerequisite to any further actions.

17. Food Safety

17.1 AHFM Food Health and Hygiene Policy

The AHFM is committed to enforce safe and hygienic food handling practices by all stallholders while trading at the market, during the preparation and transport of food and storage of food items to the market. The AHFM has adopted and put into place a Food Health and Hygiene policy.

AHFM Food Safety requirements are mandated by the AHFM Committee and by legislation. The AHFM Food Safety regulations are critical and must be adopted and put into practice by all stallholders.

Food must be prepared in premises that have been approved by appropriate councils, as indicated by a Food Business Notification Number.

Food must be prepared, handled, stored and transported in compliance with this policy (Rule 17).

Stall hygiene measures described in Rule 17.2 to 17.5 must be adhered to by all stallholders at all times.

Any non-compliance with these measures will result in revocation of the Licence to Trade and possible prosecution under the Food Act.

17.2 Food Handling requirements

17.2.1 Gloves:-

Gloves must be worn when handling any food.

Gloves must be changed regularly, and only used for a single task.

Gloved hands that handle food must not handle money.

Use of tongs and other utensils when handling food to avoid hand contact is mandatory.

Gloved hands or utensils must not handle raw and then cooked foods.

17.2.2 Food transport to and handling at the Market:-

All surfaces in contact with unpackaged food must be cleaned at the beginning and end of each market day with an antibacterial solution.

All unpackaged food must be covered during transit to the market and during the market with sneeze guards or by other methods.

All food must be kept off the ground.

AHFM is not responsible for goods during delivery to the Market.

Goods must be delivered and stored in a sanitary and dust free state and manner.

17.2.3 Sample Tastings:-

Tasting samples of product must be accompanied with individual tasting spoons or sticks and a container provided for their disposal.

Tasting samples must be covered.

Tasting samples and disposal containers must be changed regularly.

17.3 Food Handling requirements

All stallholders must have hand washing facilities in their stalls. These hand washing facilities must be running water with a tap and waste bucket, not just a bucket of water.

- Hands must be washed with soap every ½ to 1 hour.
- Stallholders must provide single use towel facilities. These facilities must not be used for washing utensils.
- Wastewater must be disposed of responsibly and NOT into gutters or storm water drains. Please see Market Manager if unsure where to pour waste water.

17.4 Stall Hygiene

All Stallholders must ensure that any refuse or litter left at their site must be deposited into the appropriate and designated bins and that stalls are held in hygienically clean condition including:-

- All surfaces used for display of food items before and after each market are to be washed thoroughly.
- The stall is swept at the end of each market.

- All takeaway containers, lids, straws, eating and drinking utensils, ice cream cones and food promotional items are correctly protected from contamination.
- Ensure that cleaning chemicals be kept separate to food and utensils.
- Prior to trading, stallholders must ensure that their selling areas and immediate surroundings are free of any produce trimmings, droppings or other litter.

17.5 Safety and Hygiene Training

All stallholders must ensure that persons/staff handling food are adequately trained in food safety and hygiene and must ensure that staff does not engage in any type of food handling that may result in food contamination when suffering from food-borne illnesses.

17.6 Susceptible Product Handling

All stallholders must ensure that any susceptible product or products that spoil easily is protected and safe to sell. In particular, stallholders must ensure that:-

- All meat, fish and dairy products **must** be refrigerated.
- Stallholders must observe 2hr - 4hr rule for susceptible food products. (Food Safety Fact Sheet – 2 Hour 4 Hour guide as prepared by SA Department of Health. Further information regarding legislative requirements is available at <http://www.health.sa.gov.au/PEHS/food-index.htm>)
- Shelving must be open to allow air flow, and must not be made of wood.
- Raw and uncooked foods are to be stored separately and raw foods must be stored below cooked foods.
- Food sold for immediate consumption must be kept at its appropriate serving temperature.

18. AHFM On-Site Catering Policy

The AHFM Inc Committee has approved the implementation of an on-site catering Policy. On-site catering activities are provided at the AHFM with the view to offer to customer's food and drinks that may be consumed or bought at the market. On-site catering is defined as:-

Providing for sale and immediate consumption any food that is processed and includes food/produce brought to the Market that is heated, cooked, juiced, mixed or made on site at the stallholder's retail site stall for consumption.

18.1 The AHFM Committee agrees to make provisions for on-site catering contractor(s) and coffee outlets.

18.2 Stallholders other than on-site catering contractors are not permitted to provide on-site catering but are encouraged to provide sample sized tasting portions of products offered to customers. These sample tastings must be representative of the products offered by the stallholder.

18.3 Sample tastings are small sized portions prepared within the confines of the stallholder's site and prepared within the guidelines of the Environmental Health Regulations (see above). Stallholders are encouraged to utilise the on-site catering site for product promotion and to demonstrate how to prepare their product.

18.3 Sample tastings may require the use of electric grills or hotplates.

18.4 Stallholders with a product suitable for sale at the 'breakfast bar' shall apply by a tendering process to the Committee for consideration as on-site caterer of the AHFM. It will be at the discretion of the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee to accept the on-site caterer and for the inclusion of the products offered at the catered 'breakfast bar'.

19 Occupational Health and Safety and Welfare

19.1 AHFM OHS Policy Statement

AHFM is committed to provide a safe environment that is free of hazards for its stallholders, visitors and any other person that visits the AHFM. The AHFM will ensure a safe environment through leadership and commitment to OHS, awareness and training of its contractors, staff and Committee members and will be compliant with relevant OHS legislation and regulations. AHFM will regularly review its OHS policy and procedures and will identify and develop mechanisms and processes that eliminate risks and improve OHS at the market.

AHFM OHS policy is based on the principles of the OHS standard **AS/NZS 4801:2001**.

19.2 Electrical Tagging

19.2.1 The AHFM requires that stallholders using electrical appliances (portable electrical item that can be plugged into a power point) are tested and tagged in accordance to the OH&S Regulations and comply with the Australian standard AS/NZS 3760:2003. It recommends that appliances be

inspected at regular intervals ranging from six months through to five years, depending on the appliance.

19.2.2 In order to comply with these requirements, all stallholders must have the following in place:

- Regular visual inspections to ensure that all electrical cords and plugs are not damaged.
- A test tag attached to each item indicating date, item, person performing the test, and status (pass/fail) of test
- An asset register and historical record of all test items and test results
- A record of results including faulty items and repair action

19.2.3 It is at the absolute discretion of the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee to request that electrical equipment will be tagged or request the removal of equipments if deemed unsafe or if test tags are expired or not present.

19.3 Lifting - loading and unloading of goods

The AHFM encourages all stallholders to minimize potential injury through inappropriate handling and lifting of loads. All stallholders are encouraged to make themselves familiar with the SafeWork SA guidelines and booklet on manual handling [**Appendix 3**]. http://www.safework.sa.gov.au/uploaded_files/mh_booklet.pdf

19.4 Tents and Umbrella safety

19.4.1 It is the stallholders responsibility that all tent and associated shade provision are secured with proper tent peg and/or weights regardless of weather conditions.

19.4.2 Tables and other display fixtures must be sturdy and not overloaded and it is the responsibility of the stallholder to ensure regular maintenance.

19.5 Gas and Fire safety

19.5.1 Gas appliances are not permitted on site without the expressed permission from the Market Manager.

19.5.2 Where the use of gas appliance has been approved, it is the stallholders responsibility to have regular checks of hoses, bottles and attachments and that gas bottle must have date compliance and gas flow regulators are tested and compliant.

19.5.3 The stallholder is responsible to have a working fire extinguisher and the knowledge of how to operate it.

19.5.4 It is the responsibility of all stallholders that uses gas appliance to ensure that all staff are trained adequately in the use of the appliance, extinguishing fires being aware of the site of the next extinguisher.

19.6 Restricted Areas

It is the responsibility of the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee to ensure that unsafe areas or areas that are **off limit** are clearly marked and if necessary identified or closed. It is at the discretion of the Market or an authorised member of the Committee to remove any person from the market area if off limit areas are ignored.

19.7 First Aid and Emergency Responsiveness

All Stallholders must be familiar with the emergency information flow chart in emergency response at the AHFM location [**Appendix 4**].

19.8 Accident Reporting

19.8.1 All accidents of stallholders must be reported on the accident report form [**Appendix 5**].

19.8.2 It is the responsibility of the Market Manager to review practices to reduce the risk of accidents through Risk Assessment and harm minimisation procedures.

19.8.3 The Market Manager will report to the Committee on the occurrence of accidents and suggested procedures to reduce them in the future.

19.9 Evacuation

Stallholders must be aware of evacuation procedures and when instructed by the Market or an authorised member of the Committee ensure that all staff and any persons close by are directed to the designated assembly point. Evacuation procedures will be developed with the relevant staff at the TAFE car park and all stallholders will be instructed in the Evacuation procedures. These are also available from the Market Manager [**Appendix 6**].

20. Delegation of Authorities

The AHFM Committee has the power to delegate responsibilities to the Market Manager or an authorised member of the Committee for all day-to-day operations of the market. Specific responsibilities are listed in the Position Description for the Market Manager. If the Market Manager is appointed as a contractor, the Market Manager may delegate some tasks to a subcontractor that is working on behalf of the Market Manager at the market however, the accountability for the task and ultimate responsibility for the task still rests with the Market Manager.

At all times, financial sign off of authorities must be observed by all Committee members and the Market Manager.

21. Disclaimer and Liability

The Stallholder agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Association and its members and employees from and against any and all damage, claims, losses, liabilities, costs, fees, demands or expenses (including legal fees) of whatsoever nature including but not limited to bodily injury of any person or persons (including death) or property damage that is caused by or arises from any breach for non-observance of the Rules of the Association and Licence to Trade issued to the Stallholder, or any act, omission, neglect or default of the Stallholder or any employee or relative or other person acting in the person of the Stallholder in or upon or in relation to the Stallholder's site in the Market, or in relation to any use, business or activity of or in or about the Stallholder's site or otherwise in the Market area relating to any activity on the Stallholder's site."

22. Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Map to show Adelaide Hills Region
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- Appendix 3 – First Aid and Emergency response
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23. Annexure 1 – Stallholders information pack

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- Application for Licence to trade,
- Qualifications for license to trade
- Allowable product list for the AHFM
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- Checklist for all documents