

Food Safety Laws Relating to Small Processors & Farm Market Vendors

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Who Licenses?

- Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade & Consumer Protection
 - Jack Severson (715) 637-1637 covers Barron County Townships of Almena Arland, Barron, Clinton, Dallas Maple Grove, Prairie Farm, Sioux Creek, Turtle Lake, and Vance Creek.
 - Greg Hewett (715) 468-2836 covers parts of Polk and Washburn Counties.
- Barron County Public Health Department
 - Randy Wilson (715) 537-6580

Examples of Licenses Required for Food Sold at Farmers Market

- Kettle Korn – requires a mobile retail food license from WDATCP
- Baked Goods – must be prepared in a licensed kitchen inspected by WDATCP staff
- Frozen Meat from a Farm – requires a mobile retail food license (freezer must be inspected and meat processed in a state or federally inspected facility)
- French Fries – requires a temporary restaurant license from Barron County Public Health Department (French fries prepared on site is considered a “meal”)
- Fresh Eggs – requires a mobile retail food license from WDATCP (call Kathy Howe @ 715-675-0664 for more information)

A retail license is not required if:

- You are selling items at a function sponsored by a tax-exempt charitable organization that sponsors such events less than 12 days per year.
- You sell only raw agricultural products, such as uncut fruits and vegetables.
- You sell maple syrup, honey or sorghum.
- You sell only packaged foods that are not potentially hazardous and are obtained from a licensed food processor.