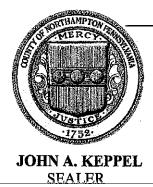
## **COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON**



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
DIVISION OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES
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To all Farm Market Managers / Coordinators:

Subject: Farmers Markets & Farm Stands Compliance Requirements

I would like to enlist your assistance in reaching out to the members of the Buy Local Buy Fresh organization / Independent Farmers who participate in your local farm markets or who might operate a farm stand independently. As you may / or may not know the County of Northampton maintains a Division of Weights & Measures through the county's ongoing Memorandum of Understanding with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The Division of Weights & Measures is authorized through the Consolidated Weights & Measures Act, Title 3 Pa C.S.A. Chapter 41, with additional regulations found in Title 70, and County Ordinance #03-411(amended). The Division is responsible for the certification and testing of all commercial weighing and measuring devices used within the County of Northampton and for maintaining compliance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations.

Unfortunately, most vendors are not aware that the County of Northampton maintains a Weights & Measures Division and that the County also instituted an Annual Registration and Fee Program in 2004. The Ordinance #03-411(amended) requires an annual registration license/permit fee for all weights and measuring devices to be obtained before conducting business in the county, a copy of the Device Licensing Application is attached. The Ordinance further establishes the requirements for obtaining a permit and setting forth penalties for non-compliance.

In recent audits of Northampton County Farmers Markets and Independent Farm Stands, W&M found numerous vendors without current Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (Title 3) or Local Weights & Measures Seals in violation of not only Title 3, County Ordinance #03-411 but also the Farm Market Participation Agreements of many local Farmers Markets.

The County of Northampton Weights & Measures Division will assist any local farmers in becoming compliant with all Federal, State and Local regulations as well as Farmers Market Participation Agreements as they affect not only the farmers but all who participate in the Buy Local Buy Fresh program. W&M will come to the vendor's farm or meet them at any of the Farmers Market locations to inspect and certify their weight and measures devices. All it takes is a phone call/email to set up an appointment. A second option is available if cost is a concern and that is to "BOX" all products by use of pint or quart containers etc. Either method is acceptable.

Respectfully,

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## County of Northampton Division of Weights & Measures 201\_ Device Licensing Application

Or before the start of a new business Date of Application	We 66	II 10: County of Northampto eights and Measures F Washington St. ston, PA 18042-7471	n .	Questions: 610.829.62	223
Application is hereby made for a Device I County of Northampton as amended by C Date Business or Business Activity stars	ounty Council.		odified O	rdinances fo	or the
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If you do not own your business location i Give name, address (excluding PO Boxes) outside of the County of Northampton. (A	of other places	of business, Parent Companies	(if subsid	liary) withi	n or
Weights and Measures Device	Quantity	Fee		Device To	tal
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Over 1,000 lbs. capacity		\$100.00	7		
Fuel Dispensers: \$25 per grade	<del></del>	\$25.00			
Vehicle Tank Meter		\$60.00 per Device			_
Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) Meter		\$50.00 per Device			_
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Meter		\$50.00 per Device			
Coin Counting Device	<del></del>	\$50.00 per Device			
Grain Moisture Meter		\$25.00 per Device		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_
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Note: # This is your registration only. W & See reverse for instructions. * Required in		ou an invoice after your applica	tion has b	een review	ed.
I verify that the statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 PA. C.S.					erein
Authorized Signature	Date	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<del> </del>	