

What is a farm stand?

A temporary or permanent structure used for the sale and display of agricultural or horticultural products such as vegetables, fruits, dairy products, eggs, grains, meat, poultry, fish, honey, hay, bedding plants, herbs, and wool.

Can I have a farm stand on my property?

Farm stands are permitted in all zone districts within unincorporated Larimer County. A property with a farm stand must maintain a principal agricultural use. See §3.4.4.E of the Larimer County Land Use Code for more details.

Do farm stands have setback requirements?

Yes, farm stands must meet setback requirements. Setbacks vary by zoning district and a property's proximity to roads and waterways.

Contact the Planning Division at (970) 498-7679 or planning@larimer.org for setback information.

Do I need a building permit?

Farm stands designed for public entry or greater than 200 square feet require a building permit.

Contact the Building Division at (970) 498-7670 or building@larimer.org for building permit information.

Can I put up a sign for my farm stand?

Yes, one associated freestanding sign may be displayed per frontage of the property on which the farm stand is located. The sign shall not exceed 16 square feet in sign area per sign.



§3.4.4.E - Larimer County Land Use Code

A farm stand shall comply with the following standards:

1. Any property that maintains a principal agriculture use may include an accessory stand for the sale of agricultural products generally produced on the site or on another site that maintains a principal agriculture use unless otherwise restricted by §3.3.2.I, Poultry Keeping, Rural and §3.3.2.J, Poultry Keeping, Urban.
2. The majority of all products sold shall be sourced from Larimer County agricultural operations.
3. Food items sold shall meet all local, state, and federal law and regulations.
4. The stand shall comply with all dimensional standards of the applicable zoning district.
5. Farm stands designed for public entry or greater than 200 square feet require a building permit.
6. One parking space plus one space per 200 square feet of gross retail space shall be provided on the same side of the street as the farm stand and within 50 feet of the farm stand. This requirement may be fulfilled with paved or unpaved spaces. The Community Development Director may waive or modify this requirement upon a showing by the applicant that the safety of the farm stand operations can be sufficiently accounted for in an alternative manner.

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