

AGRICULTURE

AVERAGE LEVEL OF CUSTOMER INTERACTION

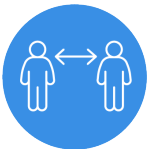


Work requires some contact with customers.

EMPLOYEE + CUSTOMER PROTECTION



- Masks should be used for employees working in close proximity.



- Smaller farms can participate in socially-distant farmer's markets to safely provide products for customers.
- Use social distancing when preparing products for delivery/making deliveries.
- Social distancing should be used at the farm for employees, too
- Operators must develop a COVID-19 preparedness and response plan and make it readily available to employees and customers; train employees; and supervise implementation.
- U-pick operations must screen staff daily for symptoms and those with symptoms should not be permitted to work until they subside.
- Operators will need to provide and require the use of personal protective equipment such as gloves, goggles, face shields, and face coverings as appropriate for the activity being performed.
- Limit in-person interaction with clients and patrons to the maximum extent possible, and bar any such interaction in which people cannot maintain six feet of distance from one another.
- Customers should take steps to maintain social distancing in sale and retail areas and in fields. Spacing out guests in U-pick areas is critical to the safety of all guests. A minimum of six feet between guests should always be maintained. This also means avoiding crowds waiting to enter sales or field areas and providing for six feet between each guest standing in any lines.
- Family units should stay together and six feet apart from others. Customers should only be accompanied with family members and should limit the numbers in their groups.



- Undertaking additional cleaning and sanitation protocols, such as:
 - Regular cleaning of contact surfaces.
 - Hand-washing or hand-sanitizer stations at your pickup site.
- Signage and communication encouraging customers to wash their hands before handling produce at a pickup location.
- Consider pre-packing product.

MORE AGRICULTURE RESOURCES

Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD): <https://www.michigan.gov/mdard/>

Michigan Farmer's Union: <https://michiganfarmersunion.org/>

