FRESHFARM SHARE MEMBER AGREEMENT 2019

FRESHFARM is a non-profit organization whose mission is to build and strengthen the local, sustainable food movement in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. We do this by operating producer-only farmers markets that provide vital economic opportunities for local farmers and artisanal producers, and through innovative outreach programs that educate the public about food and related environmental issues.

The FRESHFARM Share (formerly called CSA) is a program that provides mutual benefit for consumers and local farmers. To get the most from your membership, it’s important to understand the realities of local agriculture, and the terms of your membership upfront.

By subscribing to the FRESHFARM Share, I the Member, am agreeing to the following:

♦ I commit to maintaining my membership at the agreed-upon rate for the duration of the half-season (12 weeks) or full season (24 weeks) to which I subscribe.

♦ It is my responsibility to pick up, or arrange for a friend to pick up, my Share every week throughout the term of the season (or half-season) during the operating hours of my chosen FRESHFARM Market location. **I understand that if I cannot arrange for my bag to be picked up, I will be charged as normal, and my Share will be donated to the Market’s gleaning partner** (a non-profit that provides food to people in need). Likewise, if I do not pick up my share within market hours, it will be donated. In these instances, I will not receive a refund.

♦ I understand that the types and varieties of produce in my Share are dependent upon the seasonal availability of these foods. I understand that factors such as poor weather, crop failure, and disease can affect the availability of local agricultural products. FRESHFARM staff will work in good faith with farmers to curate each Share to highlight the best available seasonal produce.

♦ SNAP/EBT/Food Stamps: If using an EBT card to purchase a FRESHFARM Share membership, I understand that I will be charged half of the standard subscription price, and that I will need to make payments each week at the time of pickup. If my EBT account balance has insufficient funds to make my payment, I may pay (at the same half-price rate) for my share using cash, credit/debit card or FRESHFARM Markets tokens at the time of pickup.

♦ I understand that FRESHFARM is unable to make specific accommodations to individual preferences or allergies. A “swap bin” will be available to trade out items as desired.

♦ FRESHFARM has two bags per member. I am responsible for returning the previous week’s bag each time I come to pick up my Share. If I lose my bag, I will be charged $5.00 per bag.

Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: ________________
Name: ______________________________________________________
Email: ______________________________________________________ Phone: ____________________