

# Maricopa County Environmental Services Department



#### SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT

SPS-EH-2015-004

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## 1. SPS Subject:

The purpose of this SPS is to clarify the requirements for Special Event Food Establishments to operate at farmers markets, swap meets, and sanctioned school functions.

## 2. Statutory Overview:

Maricopa County Environmental Health Code (MCEHC)
Substantive Policy Statement SPS-EH-2012-009

# 3. <u>SPS:</u>

Farmers markets, swap meets, and recurring school sanctioned functions are not considered to be special events as detailed in SPS-EH-2012-009; however, in accordance with the MCEHC Chapter 8, Section 3, Regulation 2a, the Department may waive or modify requirements to address public health hazards.

Special Event Food Establishments may operate at farmers markets, swap meets, and recurring school sanctioned functions provided they are operating in compliance with the provisions of Food Catering Food Establishments as detailed in MCEHC Chapter 8, Section 6, Regulation 7 (b-g) and provided there is a designated responsible person/coordinator for each event.

In addition, Mobile Food Units, Pushcarts, Food Peddlers, and Food Caterers may continue to operate at these venues.

## 4. SPS Effective Date

April 24, 2015

### **5.** SPS New Document/Revision Statement:

SPS-EH-2015-004 is a new SPS.

### 6. Contact Us:

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