

Local Food Co-Op Member Handbook & Standards

Featured Principles

- **Membership Types, Dues & Benefits**

Equity share vs. monthly dues; voting rights; member discounts; and hardship waivers with respectful privacy....

- **Sourcing Standards & Supplier Audits**

Local preference, organic/fair?trade where feasible, humane treatment, and farm visit cadence with public...

- **Labeling & Allergen Disclosure**

Standard shelf tags with ingredients and top allergens; prepared foods include facility notes and date/time...

- **Pricing Model & Patronage**

Transparent markup bands; year?end surplus returned as patronage based on purchase volume; explain the math...

- **Volunteer Shifts & Work?Share Credits**

Shift lengths, swap rules, credit caps, and safety training checklists for each station. Purpose: clarify...

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