

This document is specifically for the **Baking Marketplace** participants—local businesses who are renting space to sell their goods, separate from the professional mentors. These terms ensure a high-quality, safe, and organized experience for the Waterdown and Flamborough community.



Baking Marketplace: Vendor Terms & Conditions

1. Vendor Eligibility & Products

- **Product Approval:** All items intended for sale must be listed in the application. The Healthy Youth Network (HYN) reserves the right to request the removal of products that do not align with the event's family-friendly "What's Your Path" mission.
- **Sampling:** Vendors are encouraged to provide small, free samples to drive traffic to their booths.
- Vendor must aim to bring enough product for the entire event. If you do run out of product, you must still remain at your booth for the remainder of the event. All product must be removed after the event.

2. Fees & Payments

- **Booth Fee:** The vendor fee (as outlined in the sponsorship/vendor package) must be paid in full by **March 23, 2026** to secure your space.
- **Refunds:** Cancellations made before **April 2, 2026** will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued for cancellations made after this date, as marketing materials will have been finalized.

3. Health & Safety/Documentation

- **Certification:** Any vendor selling food items must prepare goods in a **certified, inspected commercial kitchen**. * **Permits:** All food vendors are responsible for completing the [City of Hamilton Special Event Food Vendor Form](#) and submitting it to HYN no later than **March 16, 2026**.
- **On-Site Standards:** Vendors must adhere to standard food handling practices, including proper hand sanitization stations (provided by the venue or vendor) and glove use where applicable.
- Vendors are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits, licenses, inspections and certificates for the sale of their products.
- Incidents/Accidents
- Any incidents or accidents must be reported to Healthy Youth Network immediately.

4. Logistics: Setup & Tear-Down

- **Load-In:** Setup begins at **3:00 PM** on April 23, 2026. All booths must be fully set up and ready for the public by **4:00 PM**.
- Vendor area must be kept clean of refuse throughout the event. Vendors are responsible for ensuring their area and table(s) are left clean at the end of the event, taking any refuse with them.
- **Load-Out:** To ensure a positive experience for attendees, vendors may not begin packing up until the event officially closes at **8:00 PM**. Vendor must leave the premises by **9:00 PM**.
- **Space Limits:** Vendors are responsible for staying within their allotted footprint (8' table or 10'x10' space). HYN provides the space, table(s) and chair(s) (as requested on the application); vendors must provide their own tablecloth*, decor, and extension cords (if power was requested).
*Tablecloth must be clean, damage-free, and completely cover the table(s) on 3 sides, reaching the floor.

5. Sales & Revenue

- **100% Retained:** Vendors keep **100% of their sales** from the event.
- **Transaction Handling:** Vendors are responsible for their own Point of Sale (POS) systems, cash floats, and Wi-Fi hotspots (if the venue Wi-Fi is unavailable). HYN is not responsible for any financial losses or theft.

6. Liability & Insurance

- **Insurance:** Insurance coverage is mandatory and is the responsibility of the vendor. Vendors must provide documentation of insurance with the addition of Waterdown District High School and Healthy Youth Network as an additional insured. This must be submitted to Healthy Youth Network prior to set up. Should you not currently carry a policy, Healthy Youth Network will provide an option for insurance via Duuo (an affiliate of the Co-Operators Insurance Co.).
- **Hold Harmless:** The vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Healthy Youth Network and Waterdown District High School from any claims, damages, or injuries arising from the vendor's products or booth operations.
- **Property:** I understand that by participating in the Battle of the Bakers marketplace, I am exhibiting my products or my work at my own risk. Healthy Youth Network will not be held responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items or for personal injury or death.
- This document may be amended at any time at the sole discretion of Healthy Youth Network. Vendors will receive notification of any changes.
- If the event were to be shut down for any reason beyond our control, Healthy Youth Network is not liable for any damages, whether direct or consequential, resulting from the revocation of vendor approval or termination of the market.

7. Promotion & Image Release

- Vendors are responsible for providing all display materials. Signage is to be clear and professionally produced.
- **Marketing:** Vendors are encouraged to promote their participation. HYN will provide a "Media Kit" with logos and social media graphics.
- **Photography:** By participating, vendors consent to the use of photos/videos of their booth and products for HYN's future promotional purposes.

8. Code of Conduct

- Any person/vendor may be removed if their conduct is deemed threatening or inappropriate. Vendors and their representatives must act in a professional manner at all times.
- Alcoholic beverages, drugs, vaping or smoking are strictly prohibited.

Vendor Agreement

By acknowledging these Terms & Conditions, you agree to abide by these terms for the 2026 Battle of the Bakers.
