



VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES

Wireless POS Device for Farmers Markets

Increasing SNAP redemptions at Farmers Markets will provide SNAP participants greater access to fresh and healthy food, while supporting American farmers and local economies.

The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) can provide to eligible farmers markets/direct marketing farmers:

- One Wireless POS
- No Fees Incurred that are associated with SNAP Only transactions

The device provided by VDSS may also be used for debit and credit transactions but, **VDSS will not pay fees associated with debit and credit transactions**. You will be billed directly by the vendor for all debit/credit related fees.

The application process:

1. Farmers Market (FM)/Direct Marketing Farmer (DMF) applies for authorization to accept SNAP at <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/farmer-producer>.
2. FM/DMF receives approval, FNS number
3. FM/DMF contacts VDSS at askva_fm@dss.virginia.gov to request POS device and provides the following information:
 - Farmers Market Name:
 - Farmers Market Contact:
 - Farmers Market Phone:
 - Farmers Market Email:
 - FNS #:
4. VDSS forwards the information to our EBT vendor
5. EBT vendor contacts the FM/DMF to arrange delivery of the wireless device to FM/DMF and instructions on use

Replacement POS Device Process

1. FM/DMF requests replacement of POS no longer under warranty and provides VDSS with same information needed when requesting new POS device
2. VDSS confirms FM/DMF still authorized to accept SNAP
3. VDSS confirms with vendor that 3 year warranty has expired, if appropriate
4. VDSS forwards information to EBT vendor for new device

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