



By the Bushel 2016 Letter of agreement

The BTB community food co-op & _____ agree to the following:

- The producer agrees to participate in the co-op and fulfill their membership responsibilities.
- The producer agrees to produce according to the production schedule and deliver good quality, appropriately cleaned and sorted produce and store items to the BTB Store/Depot location between 9 am and 2 pm on pick up days (once a week in growing season, once a month in winter, once a month all year for store items – see production schedule) or as mutually agreed upon arrangements made with BTB Coop staff.
- If a producer is unable to meet their agreed-upon production commitments, they are responsible for contacting the production coordinator as soon as possible and their “backup co-op grower” to facilitate meeting any shortfalls or by providing an agreed upon substitution.
- The co-op agrees to pay producers according to the terms of payment (monthly).
- The producer agrees to produce according to the coops production standards.

Signature/Date

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Appendices: Terms of payment and production standards expectations



By the Bushel Community Food Co-operative Terms of payment

- Producers growing for the spring and summer baskets and the once a month winter baskets will be paid according to delivering produce based on the production schedule or agreed upon alternation to it as well as the following terms:
 - Producers will be paid on a monthly basis.
 - 2% will be held back for an education fund.
- Producers providing items for BTB consignment items for the store will be paid quarterly.

By the Bushel Community Food Co-operative Growing Standards

- At By the Bushel Community Food Co-operative our growing practices are based on ecological principles. We strive to enhance the soil, water, air and biodiversity on our farms.
- We do not use: synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, fungicides, herbicides, growth hormones, chemical retardants, artificial additives or Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) in our products.
- We strive to improve our practices and knowledge of sustainable farming individually and collectively. As stewards of the land, we feel that we have been entrusted with providing good, clean, safe, nutritious food.

Within the next three years we are committed to working as a co-op to ensure:

- Our farms have Environmental Farm Plans in place or we have a plan to do one.
- We are all moving towards growing to the Canadian Organic Standards – either certified or in transition (with a plan) or growing to those standards with a signed affidavit.

Thank-you for supporting a more ecologically-viable, life enhancing local food system.