

Name _____
INDIVIDUAL NAME ONLY

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Purchases made by the following member(s) of my household are to be credited to my patronage account

Name(s) _____

_____ **Pay in full**
(\$100 full membership payment)

_____ **Pay in installments**
(Four \$25 installments over 1 year)

Payment may be made at the register in cash,
credit, or check (payable to CRFM)

_____ I have read and understand the Ownership
Share Agreement included in this application

SIGNATURE OF PURCHASER DATE

SIGNATURE FOR CHATHAM REAL FOOD MARKET CO-OP DATE

Ownership Share Agreement

I (the Purchaser) hereby agree to purchase and the Chatham Real Food Market Co-op, Inc. (the "Co-op"), a cooperative corporation organized under New York law, agrees to transfer to me one (1) consumer share at a price of one hundred dollars (\$100).

I understand that ownership of this share does not constitute a security interest for investment purposes but is to acquire an ownership interest in the Co-op and to facilitate access to consumer goods and services to be provided by the Co-op. I understand that ownership of this share is subject to the following conditions:

Each share is owned by a single individual, and an individual may own only one share. The owner is the person to whom all Co-op communication is addressed, who is the official voting member in all Co-op elections, and who will receive any monies which may be disbursed;

The ownership of a share entitles me to patronage rebates as provided for in the bylaws and as determined by the Co-op Council. A portion of the patronage rebate allocated to me may be retained by the Co-op, and in any given year there may be no actual distribution of patronage rebates, depending on the profitability and financial needs of the Co-op. By signing this agreement, I agree to include in my taxable income any amount of the patronage rebate allocated to me that might be taxable;

Arrangements may be made with the Co-op for purchases made by other members of my household to be credited to my patronage account;

The share will be entitled to no dividends other than patronage rebates;

The share will be nontransferable or will have very limited transferability, and any transfer which may be permitted will be subject to the approval of the Co-op Council;

The share is redeemable at the discretion of the Co-op Council; and

The share will be subject to the other terms and conditions as set forth in the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the Co-op. I further understand that ownership of this share is subject to the usual risks inherent in any business enterprise.

CHATHAM REAL FOOD MARKET CO-OP

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market

a local co-op

Member
Application

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ABOUT US

The Chatham Real Food Market Co-op (The Co-op) is a cooperatively-owned grocery store aiming to strengthen our rural community, develop our food security, and help build a healthy local economy in Columbia County.

Founding members sought a way to connect consumers to our farmers and food processors, and educate about what they produce and who they are. They decided to create a retail store and opted to structure it as a cooperative so that community ownership would give the most potential for success.

The Co-op opened in 2009 with 2,000 sq ft of retail space for a cafe, local and organic produce, local meat, local dairy, organic & natural groceries, natural household products, a natural wellness section, and a community room.

The Co-op is open to everyone 7 days a week. You do not have to be a member to shop here, but we welcome you to join our community!

In-Store Shopping

Monday	11:00-6:00
Tuesday	11:00-6:00
Wednesday	11:00-6:00
Thursday	11:00-6:00
Friday	11:00-6:00
Saturday	11:00-6:00
Sunday	11:00-4:00

Curbside Ordering

Order online by 11:00am for same day pickup

WHAT IS A CO-OP?

The Co-op is a community-owned market that is owned by its members. It is established not for profit, but for the cooperative rendering of mutual help and service to its members.

The Chatham Real Food Market is incorporated as a cooperative, meaning the members own the store

Cooperatives are based on the values of responsibility, democracy, equality, equity, and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, cooperative members believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

7 COOPERATIVE PRINCIPLES

1. Voluntary and Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Member Economic Participation
4. Autonomy and Independence
5. Education, Training and Information
6. Cooperation among Cooperatives
7. Concern for Community

“Without prosperous local economies, the people have no power and the land no voice”

Wendell Berry

WHAT DOES MEMBERSHIP MEAN?

You become a member-owner of the Chatham Real Food Market Co-op by purchasing an ownership share for \$100.

10% Flex Discount

Each month your account will be credited with a 10% discount on a shopping trip of your choice.

Bulk Buying

Get bulk special orders through our major distributor at listed wholesale cost

Quickpay Account

An in-store refillable debit account. Prepay on your account using **cash** or **check** and get a 3% bonus on all purchases with your debit account.

Co-op Council

Help choose or serve on the Co-op Council and influence the impact the Co-op has on our community

Community

An opportunity to meet others and become a vital part of a wonderful and sustainable cooperative community