

CORONA VIRUS GUIDELINES FOR VISITING THE FARM

Update: April 8, 2020

Dear Loyal Customers,

With regard to the Corona Virus, the Commonwealth has included agriculture as an essential business; therefore, as of now we are planning to open on May 1st with regular hours: Wednesday – Sunday from 10 AM – 5 PM. We will of course, continue to monitor and comply with the CDC and Massachusetts Public Health recommendations.

For the safety of our customers and staff, we will be practicing social distancing of six feet or more and will be cleaning high-touch areas including garden carts.

One of the things Elaine and I enjoy the most about our farm business is that during the season we are able to “talk plants” with many of our great customers and help them with making their plant choices. Unfortunately, due to the current circumstances, we will not be able to do so this season. We will be able to give you general guidelines as to where plants are located and you will be able to help yourself to our vast selection. All plants will be clearly labeled and priced.

To avoid having customers gather in our garden shed to pay for purchases, we will be setting up a portable pop-up gazebo where plants and merchandise on shopping carts can be processed for payment outdoors. To minimize the handling of payments, we ask you to use a debit or credit card. No signatures will be required.

A maximum of ten people at a time will be allowed in our plant sales areas. We recommend that no more than two people at a time be in the greenhouses. The Garden Shed will be temporarily closed at this time. Please do not bring any pets to the farm. Our neighbor’s cat Freddie visits the farm daily; please do not pet or pick him up.

PICK-UP PROTOCOL: If you would like to place an advanced order by e-mail, please feel free to do so. Please let us know when you would like to pick up your order. Our e-mail address is: info@goldenskepfarm.com. Upon receipt of your order, we will send you an e-mail confirmation at which time we ask that you call us with your credit card information for payment (978-838-2471). We do not keep any credit card information on file. Your order will be available at a designated area at the farm where you can load the plants into your vehicle. The MA Department of Public Health prohibits us from helping you load plants into your vehicle under the current circumstances.

If you have any symptoms of cold or flu, please do not come to the Farm. Rest at home and feel better soon!

We will be ready for spring and our benches will be chock-full of many new varieties as well as your favorite ones. Thank you for your cooperation and patience during these extraordinary times.

Stay healthy and hope to see you all at the farm this season.