



Taxes and Important Rules and Regulations

New Farms for New Americans 2012



What Are Taxes?



What is a Tax Return?

- U.S. and State Government forms that report all **income** you earned in a year, starting Jan. 1.
- Money earned from **self-employment** must be reported too, unless it is very little.
- This is a legal obligation!

Income?

Money you make from:

- Wages or Salary from a job.
- Tips
- Profits from self employment



THIS INCLUDES
MONEY EARNED
FROM THE FARM!



Earned Income Tax Credit and “Make Work Pay” Tax Credit



- Earning money and reporting income may help you to get tax credits, such as the earned income tax credit and the “Make Work Pay” tax credit.

ALSO... You may need to charge tax to
your customers



No Tax



**Vegetables, Fruit,
Groceries.**



Yes TAX

MEALS



Paying Meals Tax

- If you sell prepared foods or individual portions that are kept hot or cold, you need to pay 9% tax.
- 9% tax means for every \$1.00 you sell, you owe \$.09 in tax.
- This can be shared to the consumer.
- For more information,
contact the Vermont
Dept. of Taxes at
802-828-2551.



Rules at the Farmers' Market

Prepared Foods and Vegetables

- Need insurance

Prepared Foods

- Need Fair Stand License from Vermont Dept. of Health
- Inspection at home and farmers market

