

Sun Produce Cooperative Membership Classes and Fees

Definitions and Fees by membership type:

The membership fee is a one-time fee paid to the cooperative. **

Producers - \$100.00

A grower who sells the product they grow or raise themselves through Sun Produce Cooperative (SPC) that meets the Co-op's most recent product standards, and is located within Arizona.

Producer Groups - \$100.00

A business located within Arizona that aggregates and distributes agricultural product grown or raised in the state. Producer Groups must meet the Co-op's most recent product and distribution standards.

Processors - \$100.00

A food-processing business that works with the Co-op to produce value-added products to SPC standards and helps develop new products for the Co-op and its customers. The processor shall be located within Arizona.

Distributors - \$100.00

A business located within Arizona that transports Co-op products according to Co-op standards.

Buyers - \$0

An organization (including, but not limited to: universities, school districts, hospitals, nursing homes, restaurants, churches, and nonprofit organizations) that purchases products on a regular basis and is located within Arizona.

There is no membership fee but member Buyers are required to be approved through SPC membership process by SPC, and purchase product through the Co-op at least twice during the calendar year.

Food and Agricultural Marketing Engagement members (FAME) - \$25.00

Individuals or groups with knowledge of the local food and agriculture scene. As community representatives, this membership class will provide advice and support to the Co-op to help it establish and maintain engagement in the broader for-profit and non-profit business, institutional, educational and local and state government environment.

Any FAME member may move to any other membership class by paying the difference between the FAME membership class fee and the fee of the class they wish to move to.

**Membership fees must be paid in full upon acceptance into the Co-op.