

**Farmers Market Nutrition Program - 2009 Season**  
**Market Managers' Tips for Correcting Mistakes on FMNP Checks**

**Purpose of this sheet:** Our goal is to help you and your growers stamp FMNP checks correctly. Correctly-stamped checks protect farmers from high banking fees. Still, sometimes you or your grower may stamp a check incorrectly.

**The steps below will help you fix mistakes with FMNP checks:**

**1. How to correct a mistake stamping an incorrect number on a check:**

- Before the grower deposits the check, with an ink pen, cross out an incorrect number with one line and re-stamp the check with the correct number in the “Stamp Here” box.
- Initial the correction.
- All checks must be stamped with a valid eight digit number.

**2. If checks are rejected by the bank, the grower may make one re-deposit if:**

- There was a mistake stamping the number on the check, for example, forgetting to stamp a full eight digits on the stamp (make the correction as directed above)
- The number was handwritten in ink or pencil instead of being stamped.
- The grower or market manager forgot to stamp the check.

**3. Checks may not be re-deposited when:**

- The Grower number is an invalid or discontinued number.
- A check is stamped with a market number from 94-99 (These numbers are reserved for Senior Farm Stands).
- A check is stamped with a grower number from 6324 – 6358.
- A check is deposited after November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009.