

INTERVALE COMMUNITY FARM

Why Co-op Membership?





Intervale Community Farm is a member-owned consumer cooperative. While membership in the cooperative is not required to purchase a CSA (community-supported agriculture) summer or winter farm share, we encourage you to join our cooperative!

ICF is organized as a cooperative to foster our ability to provide our members and the wider community with the highest quality fresh produce and excellent member service. By purchasing a Co-op Member Share, you help strengthen ICF for the long-term, and help to ensure ICF's continued involvement in building a sustainable local food system.

In addition to putting values into action, you receive the other tangible benefits listed at right:







Your Membership in the ICF Cooperative:

-  **Cost.** Co-op Member Shares at Intervale Community Farm are \$200. This is an investment in the cooperative, separate from Summer and Winter farm produce shares.
-  **Longevity.** Purchasing a Co-op Member Share is a one-time expense, and is refundable if you withdraw -- subject to financial stability of the business.
-  **Affordability.** In order to encourage co-op ownership by all, Co-op Member Shares may be paid for in \$25 installments over up to 8 years. Co-op members current on their installments have full membership privileges.
-  **Individual.** ICF Co-op membership is individual. ICF Co-op members may share CSA farm shares with others, but ICF Co-op membership confers voting and patronage rights only on the person named as Co-op member.

Questions about the Intervale Community Farm Cooperative? Please contact Andy Jones, 802-658-2919, or email: andy@intervalecommunityfarm.com

Benefits of ICF Cooperative Membership:

-  **Farm Share Preference.** Co-op members have priority in purchasing Summer and Winter CSA farm shares. Farm shares will continue to be available to any non-co-op member, subject to availability.
-  **Continuous Membership.** Subject to availability, ICF Co-op members may elect to subscribe to summer and/or winter CSA farm shares on a continuous basis, eliminating the need to renew annually. Farm share enrollment can, of course, be discontinued at any time. Share prices will be subject to annual change.
-  **Governance Control.** ICF Co-op members may run for election and vote for the ICF Cooperative Board of Directors, the governing body of the Farm.
-  **Share the Profits.** ICF Co-op members are eligible to receive a proportional share of annual profits from the business, in the event a patronage rebate is declared by the ICF Co-op Board.



Intervale Community Farm Co-op Enrollment Form

Return to: ICF, 128 Intervale Road, Burlington, VT 05401

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

ICF Co-op Membership. Make checks payable to 'ICF Co-op.'

- \$200 Co-op Membership, Paid-in-Full.
- \$___ Co-op Membership Installment. (\$25 annual minimum.)

Continuous CSA Farm Share Membership. You will be signed up at your current size unless you tell us otherwise.

- Summer Share.
- Winter Share.