#### Produce Handling Training Workshop

LIVE WELL COMMUNITY MARKET PROGRAM







#### Intros





- 1. Your Name & Market Name
- 2. Market Location
- 3. Describe Your Produce Section (e.g. big/small, back/front of market, special produce products?)

#### **Agenda Overview**

- 1. Live Well Community Market Program
- 2. Produce Handling & Storage Techniques
- 3. --Break--
- 4. Produce Display Techniques
- 5. Q & A, Closing



#### Live Well Community Market Program

Improve & promote access to healthy affordable foods by working with small neighborhood markets.







#### **Produce Handling and Storage**

- FIFO
- Checking Quality& Ripening
- Ethylene Exposure
- Dry vs. Wet Storage
- Produce Rotation



#### FIFO: First In, First Out

- Label/code boxes when they arrive to track freshness & determine what to display
- First produce to arrive should be first to put on display
- What are exceptions to this rule?



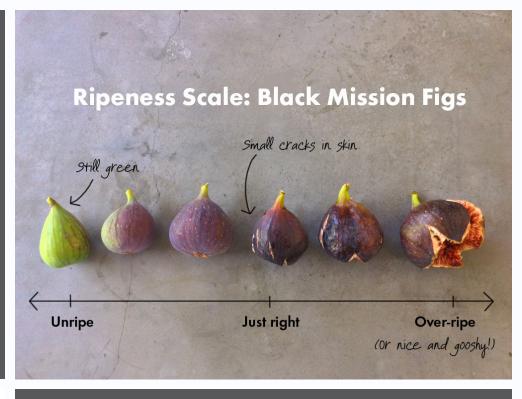
#### Dry

- avocados
- potatoes
- bananas
- apples
- limes
- lemons
- onions
- garlic

#### Wet

- lettuce
- cilantro
- carrots
- cut herbs
- grapes
- berries
- mango
- broccoli

# Checking for Quality & Ripening





texture appearance color

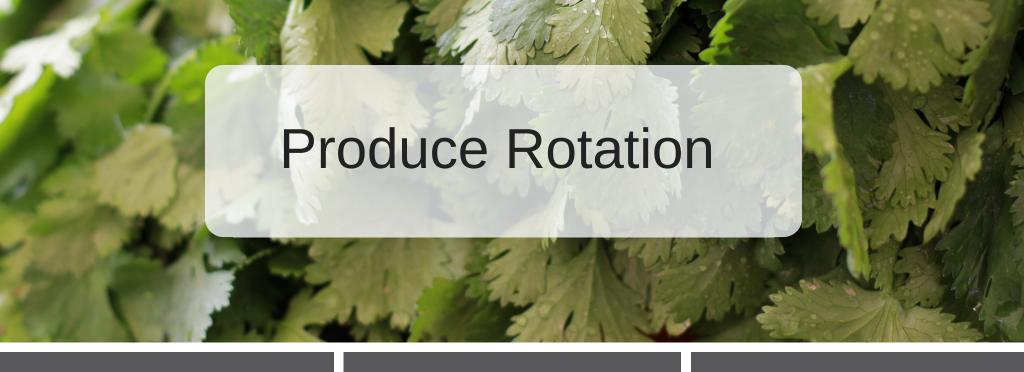
### Don't Put These Next to These...

Tip: Check your folder for a full list of ethylene producing and sensitive fruits and vegetables.





# **Ethylene Exposure**



#### Step 1

Remove damaged or spoiled produce

This means produce you wouldn't buy yourself.

#### Step 2

Keep produce display full and organized

Avoid stacking delicate produce too high!

#### Step 3

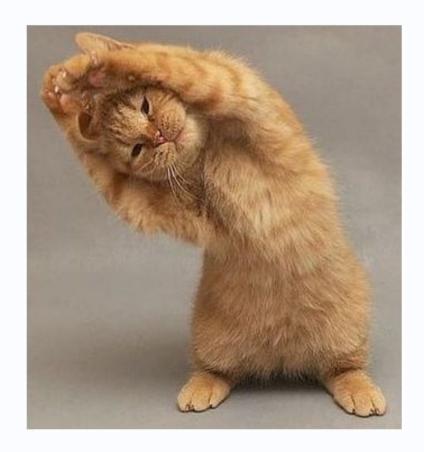
Restock throughout the day as needed

Remember, nobody wants the last lonely banana...

## But wait, where do I put tomatoes?

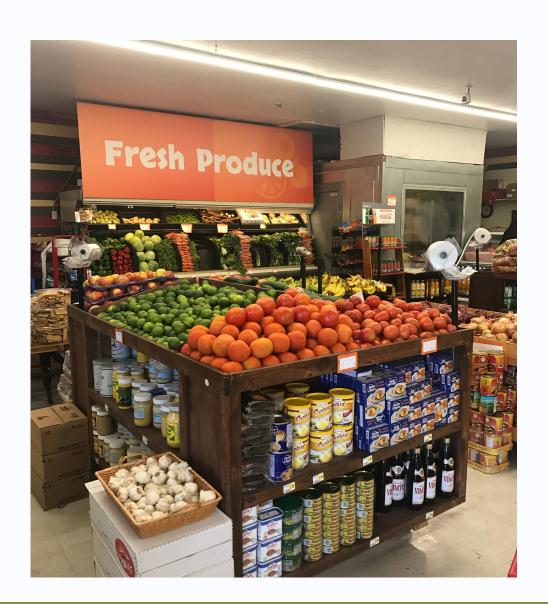
Pop Quiz & Ask an Expert Time

# Stretch Break! 10 minutes

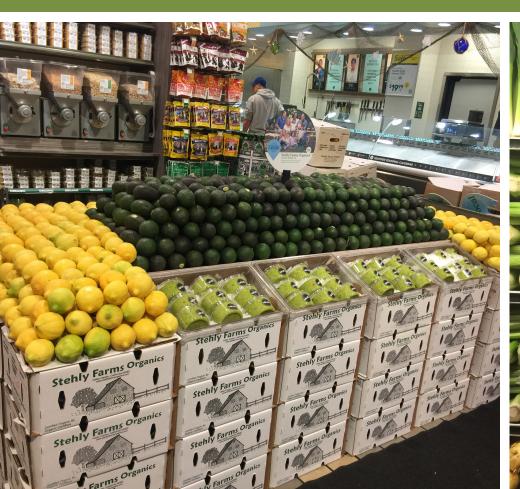


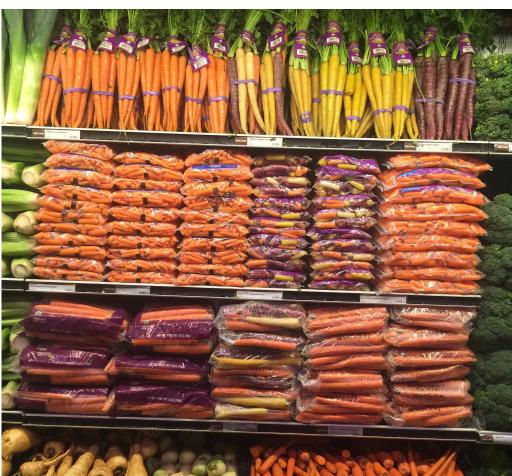
#### **Produce Display**

- Presentation
- Pricing Display
- Secondary Use



#### Presentation





# Are Your Price Signs Up and Accurate?

Tip: We have more price signs and clips for you today!





Price
Product Variety
Price Per Unit (ea or lb)
Special Features

# Activity: Give it a try! Arrange a Display

Practice & Ask an Expert Time











#### QUESTIONS?

Thank You!





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