

Watermelon Festival Vendor Rules

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The Hempstead Chamber of Commerce welcome your participation in the 25th Annual Watermelon Festival. Please help us maintain the integrity of this festival by following rules and guidelines.

Submission of your application assumes compliance with the following rules and guidelines.

1. Vendors are no longer required to show proof of Commercial General Liability policy, but will have to sign a waiver releasing the Hempstead Chamber of Commerce (HCC) from any liabilities.
 2. Resale Tax # or Social Security number is required for all applicants.
 3. Sales tax collection and payment is the vendor's responsibility.
 4. All vendor booth spaces are approximately 12' wide x 15' deep.
 5. HCC will do their best to accommodate all booth request, however, booth spaces are at the discretion of the Vendor Committee and is on a first come first serve basis. Booth spaces are \$100⁰⁰ flat fee for the day and an additional \$20⁰⁰ for electricity. (110v only)
 6. All items being sold must be listed on your application. HCC has the right to refuse distasteful or dangerous items. NO LIVE ANIMALS (ie. Birds, reptiles or canines)
 7. Vendors must provide all furnishings, including tents, tables, chairs, decorations etc.
 8. Booths are required to check in and be set up by 9:00 a.m. and remain open until 6:00 p.m. Booths not occupied by 8:00 a.m. may be reassigned by the Vendor Committee. If your booth will remain open for the evening entertainment and dance from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., please note that on your application and you will be placed accordingly. No moving allowed once you are set up, without approval from one of the Vendor Committee Chairperson.
 9. Vehicles will be allowed in before opening of the festival. Only one vehicle per booth will be allowed in at a time. Please unload, park then setup your booth. Vendor parking will be behind Prosperity Bank and the Waller County Appraisal District. No vehicles will be allowed in during the festival operating hours. Vendors may set up on Friday night between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. You will be responsible for securing your items. There will be no security provided.
 10. Loss, theft or anything left behind is the sole responsibility of the vendor.
 11. Vendor applications are accepted by mail, email or dropped off at 1116 Austin Str., Hempstead. A confirmation will be sent to you once your booth has been approved.
 12. Payment must be made with your application. No money, no reservation.
 13. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE FOR ANY REASON.
 14. NO FIREWORKS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED IN THE FESTIVAL AREA.
- Please remember, this is a family fun event and everyone is here to have fun. All of our festival workers are volunteers. Any disrespect shown to festival workers, you will be asked to leave and disqualified to any future events.

REVISED: 1-15-2014

Chamber use only:

Date Received: _____ Check # _____ Amount _____ Booth # _____

Booth Type: _____ To Treasure: _____

25th Annual Hempstead Watermelon Festival

Saturday - July 19, 2014

Vendor Application

Hempstead Chamber of Commerce, P.O.Box 517, Hempstead, TX 77445