



Family Ties Event Barn, LLC  
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## WEDDING INFORMATION & POLICY

**BEVERAGES:** We will meet to discuss alcohol options.

**1.** The Client may bring in their own beer, malt beverages, wine, soda and water. Which would be considered an 'open bar' (no cash exchange and/or donation jar) Currently, only the bride and groom can enjoy liquor (anything other than beer, malt beverages and wine) If the wedding couple wishes to enjoy liquor, hiring one of our licensed bartenders is required, at a rate of \$30/hour with a minimum of 3 hours. The couple may choose to have 2 different types of liquor.

**2. For 2027 couples.** FT will purchase beer, malt beverages (5% alcohol content) or wine under their liquor license. Different drink-pricing packages will be available during our meeting. One or more of our licensed bartenders is required to serve any beverages and they will always monitor the alcohol. ALL alcohol consumed on site needs to be served directly from the bar by one of FT bartenders. We will work with the couple to determine the number of bartenders required to serve the number of expected guests.

**NO HARD LIQUOR ALCOHOL ON PREMISIS at ANY TIME and NO CARRY-INS ON THE PROPERTY OR IN VEHICLES.**

We do not provide table-side or ceremony beverage services; alcohol will only be available at the bar.

ABSOLUTLY NO illegal substances allowed on the property and any person under 21 is prohibited from drinking any alcoholic beverages. FT staff and our bartenders will ask anyone who is under the age of 25 for their ID. If FT finds a minor drink alcohol, they will be asked to leave the premises. If any illegal substances are found on the premises, the users will be asked to leave the event.

If the CLIENT plans on Designated drivers or a shuttle service, these need to be posted at the bar. Please keep in mind, at the end of the evening, it is illegal in Wisconsin to have any open alcohol containers in a vehicle.

ALL Alcohol will stop being served at 11:30pm.

**CATERING:** The CLIENT must use a licensed & insured caterer for the day of the wedding. For the rehearsal dinner, a licensed caterer is not required, and you may bring your own food in or have the dinner catered in. FT does not have a kitchen in the barn. CLIENT's caterer would have access to trash bags and trash cans. **Food liability is the full responsibility of CLIENT.**



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**FACILITIES AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY FAMILY TIES EVENT BARN:** FT will provide the facilities and services described in this contract on the date of the event. All other services and arrangements for services shall be the responsibility of the CLIENT and managed through a separate agreement with one of the approved catering services listed in this contract. FT will provide the following:

**Rental use includes:**

- 150-year-old Rustic historically decorated upper barn loft (37x84) located on a 210-acre farm surrounded by farmland and woods.
- Seating for 250 people with a mix of a sweetheart table & chairs, round tables, banquet tables, wooden plank tables (no hot items allowed on the wooden plank tables) and chairs included.
- Pasture ceremony area with a grand wood beamed arch and wood benches. (held in the grass, so please be prepared with proper footwear)
- Handicapped accessible.
- Portable toilets (depending on size of event) plus 1 wheelchair accessible with washing station. (Rustic Bathrooms coming soon)
- Farmhouse –(3 bedroom, 1 bath) available for bride and bridesmaids as a get ready space, prior to ceremony (once ceremony is complete the personal belongings are to be removed from the farmhouse) (Vintage Bridal and Groomsman suites coming soon)
- Firepit area (weather permitting & available only with staff assistance)
- Designated smoking & vaping area (west of the barn on pavement)
- Vintage buffets for Cake and gift tables along with a vintage locked card box
- Strung café lights throughout the barn
- Built in bar
- Guest parking attendant
- Trash removal & Maintenance

**Services:**

- Day of coordination by owner & staff, maintaining a timeline and general organization of the day of activities
- Guest parking attendant
- Set-up and clean-up of ceremony and reception areas – benches, tables and chairs included
- Staff to maintain trash removal



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**Features:**

- Historic Barn
- Concrete Silo
- Deck
- Wooden fencing
- Several gardens
- Oak woods (possible ceremony site)
- Tall grass outer pasture
- Parking
- Grand wooden arch
- Wagon wheels
- Whisky/wine barrels
- Reclaimed horse drawn spreader
- Night outdoor lighting
- Firepit (weather permitting)
- Farm tractors
- Designated smoking & vaping area
- Yard games
- Antique décor (not to be removed)
- Wooden benches for ceremony
- Mixture of round, banquette & wooden plank tables
- Chairs
- Built in bar
- 2- Vintage buffets for cake & gifts
- Vintage card box
- Sweetheart table & chairs

**TO ENSURE FT FACILITIES ARE PROPERLY CARED FOR, CLIENT MUST FOLLOW THE BELOW GUIDELINES:**

- No fireworks, sparklers, oil lamps, glitter, confetti or confetti balloons allowed throughout entire property
- No candles. Battery operated candles only.
- No artificial flower petals allowed – only biodegradable materials allowed for use during ceremonies
- NO nails, tacks, staples, duct/gorilla tape on the barn structure. (Consult with FT staff if you wish to hang décor)
- No Vaping or Smoking (only in the designated area- west of barn on pavement)
- Venue not responsible for lost or stolen items
- Client clean up and remove all decorations hung by CLIENT and anything brought by the Client by Sunday at 12:00 pm.
- Any vehicles left overnight must be picked up by 10 am the following day or could be subject to towing
- Client must provide Ice and disposable drinkware for beverages
- Music and Beverages must stop at 11:30 pm.
- Clean up until 12:30 am.
- Everyone must be vacated by 12:45 am.
- Special Event Liability Insurance (e.g., \$1 million liability policy) due 30 days before the wedding date.



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## OTHER INFORMATION:

- **Insurance:** In addition to the rental of the venue, we require that you take out a minimum \$1 Million-dollar special Event Insurance policy for your event for any incidents. If your event hosts alcohol, make sure to have liquor liability coverage listed. This insurance covers the renter for any unexpected damage or injury. Make sure the dates of renting are within the policy (Set up, the big day & clean up) and name Family Ties Event Barn llc as a Co-Insured on the event policy. This may be purchased through your local insurance company. A copy of this insurance policy is due 30 days prior to the event. FT is not liable for any of your rented equipment going missing.
- **Vendors:** FT Does not contract with any vendors, so you may hire any vendor for the event. We do have a list available of vendors in the area. FT is not liable for any issues that may arise with any vendor. We require obtaining a Certificate of Insurance (COI) from all your vendors who will be onsite. A copy of these is to be submitted to FT with your Event Insurance. Any catering providing food regardless of whether they will be onsite or not. Exceptions include: officiant and vendors who will not be onsite. (e.g. florist, dress/tux shops, lodging, etc.)
- **Pets:** As pet lovers ourselves, to ensure a clean venue, kept grounds, safety and comfort to all your guests, we do not permit guests to bring pets to the venue, on the grounds, or to be left in their vehicles. Special exceptions are made for wedding couples to bring their pets once approved.
- **Music:** Music ends by 11:30pm and the amplified music cannot go over 90dB. Please keep this in mind when you speak to your DJ or Band. There are apps for them to keep track, and FT will also keep track. If the music goes over 90dB, the DJ or Band will be asked to turn the music down for respect of our neighbors. We will only ask once. If this is violated again, FT will require music to end.
- **Lost items:** All items found left behind, not belonging to FT, will be sent home with the event hosts at the end of their event. If any items are found after the event, the host will be contacted and if the items are not picked up within 7 days, the items will be donated to the local donation center.



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- **Bugs:** Please keep in mind the barn is in the country and there are mosquitoes and ticks (depending on the time of the year) so we have no control over the bugs. Please bring bug spray and check for ticks after your event. FT will apply one application with natural granular mosquito repellent two days prior to the event. If you would like more days or extra applications, this will be the Clients' responsibility, or the Client can pay an extra \$50 per application of the granular repellent. Please remember depending on the severity of the Mosquitos, these applications do not take 100% of the mosquitoes and bugs away.
- **Children** must be always supervised due to our location and the historic items throughout the property and Barn. No climbing on any fencing, equipment, wagon wheels, etc. is allowed and children are not allowed in any buildings other than the loft of the barn, unless part of the wedding party as needed for getting ready and pictures.
- **Decorations:** Café lighting is strung throughout the loft along with back lighting in certain areas of the loft. Two white vintage buffets are placed for the cake and gift table, along with a vintage locked card box. The historical antique items placed high on the walls or above storage areas may not be removed, unless approved by FT. You can bring decorations for your tables, chairs, bar area and floor.
- **Wedding Website:** If you have a website for your wedding, please share our link to your 'Wedding Guests' tab, so your guests can view the property, location and plan accordingly for your event. Your guests should arrive 30-45 minutes before your ceremony. A guest parking attendant will park your guests as they arrive.
- **Lodging:** There are various lodging options available, from hotels, motels, lodges/cabins, bed & breakfasts, and campgrounds all within 15 minutes from the venue. Please see the list of lodgings.
- **Points of interest:** The Highground Veterans Memorial Park  
Chatty Belle, the world's largest talking cow.  
Levis Mound hiking and biking trail.  
Wilderness Pursuit Horseback Adventures  
Neillsville Country Club