

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TAKING PART IN COMPBBQUK OR HOT TO THE TOUCH EVENTS



About These Terms and Conditions

By making payment for and / or agreeing to attend a CompBBQUK or Hot to the Touch event as an exhibitor, trader, sponsor or to take part in any capacity in the barbecue competition, you are agreeing to these terms and conditions.

The organiser, staff and volunteers of the event do not accept liability for any misrepresentation, negligence, contractual or tortious loss suffered by you from any of the products or services or actions of any venue or area, exhibitor, sponsor or others. The exhibitor, trader, sponsor or contest participant hereby expressly indemnifies the organiser, its staff and volunteers against any such liability.

The organiser does not guarantee any minimum volume of public attendance, pitch footfall, public engagement or income. It will not be liable for any loss of profit nor any indirect, consequential, exemplary, incidental, special or punitive damages.

Exhibitor, Trader, Sponsor, and Competition Applications and Acceptance

Acceptance of all requests or applications to exhibit, trade, sponsor or be involved in the competition will entirely be at the discretion of the organiser. The organiser will agree with exhibitors, traders and sponsors the context, their involvement and allowable activities prior to the event. Deviation from this agreement on the part of the exhibitor, trader or sponsor may result in withdrawal of acceptance of involvement without refund of deposits or payments.

Your acceptance will only be considered final once any non-refundable deposit has been received, or full payment has been made depending on your agreed payment schedule.

All payments must be made in accordance with the agreed payment schedule. Nonadherence may result in withdrawal of your acceptance and withholding of any payments made.

Definitions

The Organiser - Hot to the touch Events or CompBBQUK, or any person working on behalf of them in the organisation and management of the event. Additionally, the organiser of any event which CompBBQUK or Hot to the Touch Events may be organising part of or in association with.

The Event - The entirety of that which is organised by CompBBQUK or Hot to the Touch Events, or the wider event which CompBBQUK or Hot to the Touch Events may be organising part of or in association with.

The Site – The location of the event and the surrounding area including public and non-public areas.

Pitch – Any area that you are allocated for activities related to the event. This may include a designated area for your activities and any shared areas such as for camping or parking.

Exhibitor - Any entity attending the event with the purpose of promoting their cause, products or services but who **will not** complete onsite transactions, take bookings, make sales appointments (either informally or formally) or record orders during the event.

Trader – Any entity attending the event with the purpose of promoting their product or service with a view to transacting on site, taking booking, making sales appointments (either formally or informally) or recording orders for those products and services,

Sponsor – Any entity who has provided finances, goods or services in support of the organisation and / or production of the event.

Competition Participant – Any person, group of people or entity that is involved in taking part in any competition or competitive activities provided by the organiser, judging the competition or the management and organisation of the competition outside of the organisers.

Event Participant – Collective term for exhibitors, traders, sponsors and competition participants

Event Behaviour & Personal Activities

All events are considered family friendly, inclusive and non-discriminatory where all are welcome. All event participants are expected to behave in a manner that is in keeping with that, including use of language, interacting with the public and general behaviour. No aggressive, discriminatory, harassing in nature or unwelcome behaviour or language will be tolerated.

We encourage all event participants to engage and interact with the public during the event, if you are unable to do so at any point, please remember the public may not be aware of that so interact accordingly.

You must adhere to any proscribed quiet times which will be advised ahead of the event. Once quiet time has commenced you must keep conversations to a very low level to be only audible within your pitch / camping area. Music etc. must be turned off and no on-site social gatherings are permitted during quiet time.

If allowed, on site alcohol consumption must be sensible and not result in any unwanted behaviours. Any persons displaying unwanted behaviours will be asked to leave the site without refund of any payments made to the organiser.

The use of, or possession of illegal substances will not be tolerated on site. Undertaking these activities will result in involved persons being asked to leave the site without refund of any payments made to the organiser. It may also result in involvement of, or reporting to law enforcement.

Cancellation

In the event of the event being cancelled by the organiser due to situations beyond its control, every effort will be made to fully refund all event participants. In the event there are unavoidable costs that limit the organisers' ability to refund in full, all refunds will be calculated based on consistent application of the maximum available percentage across all refunds.

Event Participant Withdrawal

Unless otherwise stated at registration, the following refund policy will apply.

- Up to and including 28 days prior to event: **No Refund.**
- From 29 days prior to event up to and including 56 days prior to event: **50% of payment excluding any non-refundable deposit**
- From 57 days prior to event: **100% of payment excluding any non-refundable deposit**

Pitch Allocation

Pitches will be allocated at the discretion of the organiser. Preferences may be expressed by event participants and will be accommodated if possible but cannot be guaranteed.

Pitch allocation may be changed at any point up to and including event participant arrival on site.

Environmental Care

Every care should be taken not to damage the ground and surrounding area of your pitch and the event site. You should leave your pitch and the site as you found it.

You must ensure that the ground is protected from any hot items such as smokers or grills so as not to burn or damage the ground. You must make every effort to not allow hot charcoal or ash to fall or spill on to the ground.

No digging or intentional damaging of the ground is permitted.

You must take every precaution to not actively or accidentally allow any refuse of any kind to enter any river, canal or water way that may be part of the site.

You **MUST NOT** dispose of oil, fat or grease on the ground or into any waterway. If you are expecting to need to dispose of oil or fat, you must bring a suitable container to take it off site with you.

You are responsible for managing refuse in your pitch, ensuring if you are likely to create waste you have means to collect and store it. All refuse must be disposed of in the provided bins or taken away with you. You must ensure that your pitch area is clear of refuse before your departure.

Charcoal and ash must only be disposed of in the designated location. You must make every effort to allow your charcoal to burn down and go cold before disposing.

Samples

If you are giving any samples out to the public, you must ensure that any transportation, preparation or cooking off or on site adheres to basic food hygiene practices and safety.

You must ensure you advise any persons receiving samples of any allergen contained within, or that you are unable to guarantee allergen content.

Basic free training on food hygiene and safety can be found here:

<https://www.food.gov.uk/business-guidance/online-food-safety-training>

General Safety

You are responsible for safety regarding your activities on site in and around your pitch. You must ensure that appropriate precautions are in place to protect the public and anyone associated with your attendance at the event from any dangers that exist as a result of your activities on site.

Fire Safety

If you are having lit charcoal, wood or gas in your pitch, you must have a suitable fire extinguisher and fire blanket in your pitch. You must also comply with any stand alone or additional fire safety requirements of the event.

You must ensure that the public are aware of any hot surfaces and if possible, prevent them from getting within touching distance unsupervised.

Knives and Sharps

You must take reasonable steps to ensure sharp items such as knives are not left unattended and / or in reach of the public. You must ensure you are adhering to any legal requirements including age verification if you are selling any restricted items such as knives to the public.

Site and Vehicle Safety

There will be a strict **5 mph** speed limit on site for vehicles. You must always adhere to all instructions from the event or representatives of the event regarding vehicle movements and parking. Including time periods and areas of the site where vehicle movements are prohibited or restricted.

Parking on site is at the discretion of the organiser and will be pre-arranged with each participant prior to the event. It will be strictly limited in number and to event participants only. There is no ability for friends and / or family to park on the site.

Camping on site is at the discretion of the organiser and will be pre-arranged with each participant prior to the event. It will be strictly limited in number and to event participants only. There is no ability for friends and / or family to camp or remain on the site overnight.

Security

The organiser will take appropriate precautions on safety and security, but all vehicles, property, equipment and infrastructure are left on site at the participants own risk.

Public Liability Insurance

Exhibitors and traders are required to have public liability insurance as a condition of taking part in the event. We recommend that competition participants have public

liability insurance cover specific to the event, as the organiser cannot be held responsible for any damage or injury to persons or property because of actions, negligent or otherwise by event participants.

Risk Assessment

All exhibitors and traders are required to complete and supply a risk assessment of their pitch and activities they intend to undertake while at the event.

Help on risk assessments can be found here:

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/risk/risk-assessment-template-and-examples.htm>