



82nd Hampton County Watermelon Festival

Dear Concession Friend:

Welcome to the 82nd Annual Hampton County Watermelon Festival!! Concessions are held Friday and Saturday, June 21-22, 2024. Concessions will be located beside the Hampton County Courthouse.

Enclosed is a concessions application. Submission of an application and payment of the fee does not guarantee acceptance. You will be notified whether or not your application is approved after it has been reviewed. Refunds will be sent to vendors whose applications are denied.

Due to the rising cost of clean-up, there will now be a \$35.00 fee for each vendor. Please help us keep the costs of our festival down by cleaning up your spaces and making sure that your area is free of trash and debris.

If your application is accepted, you may set up after 5:00 pm. On Thursday, June 20 2024. Please arrive between 5 pm until 7 pm. Contact Mysti Long if other arrangements are needed.

Please read all of the rules and regulations found in this letter as they should help answer any questions you may have. Once you have read through the letter, please return the application, payment, photo, list of items for sale and include pricing and a copy of liability insurance with required coverage amounts listed. **Your application will not be processed if any of these items are missing.** We hope you will apply to our event and if accepted, that it will be a rewarding experience. Should you have any questions concerning the event or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mysti Long at 803-943-3399 or through email at longmysti621@gmail.com. We hope to see you at the festival!!!

Sincerely,
Mysti Long
Food Concessions Chairperson

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Enclosure(s)



Food Vendor Application

(This form must be fully completed and mailed to the address listed below with the application fee)

Concession Name:

Contact Person(s):

Mailing Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Telephone Number(s): _____ Cell Phone Number(s): _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please answer yes or no to the following questions:

Do you cook with gas? _____ Do you have a silent generator? _____
(you are only allowed to use silent generators)

Type of Concession Booth (Please check one): *** Note: these prices included the \$35.00 clean-up fee.

Commercial = \$425.00

Church or Civic Group = \$110.00

Icy Drinks Only = \$150.00

Number of Spaces: _____

Please circle the proper hookup you need and list how many. This will help us decide where you need to be placed at the festival:

240 plug in

120 with 30 amp plug in

120 with 20 amp plug in

I understand that the Hampton County Watermelon Festival in Hampton, South Carolina is not responsible for any accidents or incidents which may occur. I also understand that the Hampton County Watermelon Festival in Hampton, South Carolina is not responsible for any merchandise or personal/business items that are lost, stolen, misplaced, or otherwise for any accidents or incidents which may occur with any merchandise or business-related property including personal property.

I understand that the Hampton County Watermelon Festival in Hampton, South Carolina will not be held responsible for any fines or fees associated with my business for not meeting State and County Health Department requirements.

Signature of Individual or Business (listed above on form):

Title with Business: _____

Date Signed: _____



2024 Hampton County Watermelon Festival Rules and Regulations

LOCATION: Hampton, South Carolina

DATES & TIMES OF EVENT:

- Friday, June 21, 2024 & Saturday, June 22, 2024 (All day on Friday – Saturday leave by 5:00 pm.)

SET UP DAY & TIME:

- Thursday, June 20, 2024 between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm.
- You will be directed upon arrival as you check in on Thursday, June 20, 2024.
Note: Remember, you cannot start checking in until after 5:00 pm. on Thursday, June 20, 2024.
- ***All Concessions must be set up by noon by Friday, June 21, 2024.***

SPACE SIZES:

- Size limit --- Maximum of 30 feet. If more than 30 feet is needed, you will have to buy two spaces. All trailer tongues, hitches, awnings, steps, etc. must fit within your assigned space.

FOOD VENDOR ENTRY FEE:

- Commercial = \$425.00
- Church / Civic Group = \$110.00
- Icy Drinks Only = \$150.00

HOOKUP SERVICE:

- Each food concession unit approved for the festival will be permitted ONE (1) FORTY (40) AMP service hookup to our service pole per vendor. Therefore, if a maximum of 40 AMPS is unsatisfactory for your unit, perhaps you need to consider gas service or a silent generator – NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE TO THIS POLICY.
- Priority will be given to units that are self-contained and cook with bottled gas. However, no bottled or natural gas will be provided by the festival to concessions.

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- In addition, priority will be given to units, which have their own generator for supplying electrical service for the cookers.
- During the festival, the Chief Electrician and Hampton County Public Works Department will supervise our service pole and concession hookup. Anyone found tampering with the festival electrical service, abusing festival property, or violating this policy will be removed from the festival with no refund of concession fee.

PAYMENTS:

- All applications and payments must be submitted to us no later than May 1, 2024.
- We will only accept business check, cashier's check, or money order. Make all checks payable to **Hampton County Watermelon Festival**. When your entry is received, your number and space will be marked and reserved with your entry.
- **No refunds will be given after May 31, 2024 for cancellations or no shows.**
- Checks will be returned for disapproved applications.

Please mail or email to: **Hampton County Watermelon Festival, Attn: Mysti Long**
120 First St. W., Hampton, SC 29924 or longmysti621@gmail.com

AREA MOTELS:

- See attachment for area motels

LIST OF ITEMS TO RETURN:

- Application
- Payment
- Photo and list of items for sale and include pricing
- Copy of liability insurance with required coverage amounts listed (I have included a sample copy of a Certificate of Liability Insurance form for you to go by)
- Retail License if this is your first time at our festival

OTHER RULES AND REGULATIONS

- All prices for food must be posted in a conspicuous place in your booth.
- All alcoholic beverages are prohibited.