



Fire Ant Festival Committee

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Food Vendor Rules
Fire Ant Festival 2027
March 26-27, 2027

NEW FOR 2027: You must have adequate power cords and hoses to reach up to 200' to the hookups. Also, if your vendor setup is larger than what was submitted on your application, committee members may charge a fine of \$100/inch over the allowance, require you to cease setup and vacate the premises, or vend in a separate area with no access to water or power--no generators are allowed at any time. It is crucial that you accurately complete your application. We have had vendors not providing accurate size requirements and it has caused numerous issues in the past.

Returning food vendor first right of refusal deadline is October 30, 2026--no exceptions. If you miss the deadline you may still be considered to be a vendor based on the general applications. Set a reminder now.

1. The official deadline for Food and Arts + Crafts vendor applications will be March 1, 2027. A signed application and payment must be received by 5:00 PM. Any application that is not signed will not be accepted. No refunds are given after March 1, 2027.
2. **We are a rain-or-shine event. There is no rain date. We do not offer refunds for projected bad weather, such as but not limited to rain and/or thunderstorms. Weather forecasts are fickle and unpredictable.**
3. The Fire Ant Festival Committee reserves the right to limit booths. If accepted, you will receive written confirmation via email.
4. By being a vendor at the Fire Ant Festival, you assume the risk and hereby release and agree to release the Fire Ant Festival, its members, and all persons organizing, sponsoring, or assisting the festival from any liability, losses, and or claims arising out of participation in the Fire Ant Festival.
5. Exhibitors may not sublease, assign, or apportion their assigned space without express, written approval of the Festival Committee. No more than one organization may vend in a single space.
6. Exhibitors shall conduct business from within the confines of their assigned space.
7. Exhibitors will be required to keep their space neat and attractive. They will be responsible for picking up their trash. Please leave your space as you found it - clean up

ALL trash and debris. If you do leave trash, you will not be allowed to return to a future festival.

8. CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES.
9. No pets allowed.
10. Exhibitors are responsible for collecting and paying Georgia Sales Tax and reporting earnings to the IRS and other appropriate parties.
11. Offensive subject matter will be removed from the vendor space. No radios, tape players, offensive noise, or distractions are permitted in booth spaces.
12. Set up will be on Friday, March 27, 2026 late afternoon. Specific instructions will go out via email the week of the festival. Vehicles **must be out** of the vending area on **Friday, March 26 by 5:00 p.m.** and **Saturday, March 27 by 8:00 a.m.** You are NOT allowed to park in the area behind the food vendors. If you are parked there at any point, your vehicle WILL be towed at the owner's expense.
13. You must keep your set-up in place **until the festival is over on Saturday at 6:00 p.m.** – even if you run out of inventory – due to the safety of those attending the festival. **All vendors must be clear of the vendor area by 8:00 p.m.** when our festival special events permit expires. At that time, all festival vendor areas are then open for legal street traffic. Any remaining equipment may be removed at the owner's expense up to and including towing.
14. NO GREASE ON SIDEWALKS OR STREETS. You will be responsible for proper disposal and cleanup. This could be a reason for you not returning next year.
15. **No generators will be permitted at the festival.** As a food vendor, we offer electricity with your food vendor fee. Please note that the Fire Ant Festival does not provide cords or water hoses. **You will be required to provide your own cords that will connect to our current electricity and hoses, AT LEAST (A MINIMUM) of 200' each.** You are NOT allowed to do any homemade wiring of any kind. If you arrive and do not have the appropriate wiring, plugs, extension cords, and/or hoses, you may choose to leave the festival to pick up the appropriate items, abandon your food booth with no refund, or sell items that do not require electricity or water. We are not responsible for your not reading the rules, not preparing your business needs, etc.
16. The Fire Ant Festival reserves the right to make you leave for any reason, but not limited to being rude to the volunteers, not following the rules as agreed, or changing pricing mid-festival, to name a few.
17. Menus with items **offered as well as pricing MUST be posted clearly**. There will be no changes in pricing in the middle of the event.
18. No music is allowed to be played from your vending space.
19. **If your vendor setup is larger than what was submitted on your application, committee members may charge a fine of \$100/inch over the allowance, require you to cease setup and vacate the premises, or vend in a separate area with no access to water or power. It is crucial that you accurately complete your application. We have had issues with vendors not providing accurate size requirements, and it has caused numerous issues in the past. You must provide your exact trailer length, exact trailer tongue length, and exact entrance/egress door clearance length.**