

2015 Food Vendor Application

September 18 & 19, 2015

Thank you for your interest in becoming a food vendor in the 41st Annual Hutchinson Arts & Crafts Festival and Taste of Hutchinson! Please take a moment to review this packet for complete details on how you can participate in this year's event.

General Festival Information

The Hutchinson Arts & Crafts Festival and Taste of Hutchinson will take place on Friday and Saturday, September 18th and 19th, 2015 in downtown Hutchinson, MN. Festival hours are from 10 am—6 pm on Friday and 9 am—4 pm on Saturday. This is an outdoor festival that will be held rain or shine. Annual attendance at the festival is estimated at over 10,000 for the weekend. Up to 20 booth spaces will be available for food vendors, depending on available space.

Application Procedure

1. Complete the Food Vendor Application Packet and return by the May 29, 2015 deadline to be considered for participation in the festival. (Early Bird: May 8, 2015)
2. The Taste of Hutchinson committee will review all applications and select which applications will be approved for space. The committee's decision is based on the needs of the festival and is final.
3. Vendors will be notified of their acceptance or denial in a timely manner. Accepted vendors will receive a confirmation packet, complete with space assignments and set up information in August 2015.

General Rules & Regulations

1. All food vendors are responsible for their own booth set up (tent, trailer, etc.).
2. Use of generators must be approved by the Taste of Hutchinson Committee prior to the event.
3. No booth sharing is allowed.
4. Overnight security will be provided. However, each vendor is responsible for securing their booth. The Festival is not responsible for any loss or theft that may occur.
5. Vendors are responsible for removing any trash or food waste/products from their booth area. Vendors are expected to use the dumpsters, food composting bins, and oil bins that will be provided by the festival. Vendors are prohibited from dumping their waste products in the small waste bins that are available for customers.
6. Vendors must notify the festival immediately of cancellation. Refunds, minus a \$25 processing fee, will be issued for cancellations prior to June 1, 2015. No refunds will be given for cancellations after June 1, 2015.
7. Vendors will only be allowed to sell the menu items that are approved by the festival. If a vendor is found to be selling alternate items, they will be required to pay the \$100 per menu item fee during the festival and will be removed from participation in future Taste of Hutchinson events.
8. Vendors must abide by all regulations that are outlined by the State of Minnesota for Food Vendors.
9. This is an outdoor festival that takes place rain or shine.

Important Electrical Information

Please be advised that all vendors at festivals and events such as The Taste of Hutchinson are subject to inspection by the Minnesota State Electrical Inspector.

Each vendor is responsible for all costs associated with ensuring their booth will pass inspection. Requirements include an electrical panel board, GFCI protected receptacle, proper lighting – if necessary – and a minimum of 50 ft of heavy duty type S.O. extension cord (12 gauge minimum). If the State Electrical Inspector is present at the Taste of Hutchinson event, they will charge each vendor an inspection fee. This fee is NOT included in your registration fees.

We have enclosed the MN Department of Labor & Industry's handout covering these requirements. Please take a moment to review the handout and take the means necessary to ensure that your food vending setup will meet all electrical requirements that are identified by the State of Minnesota. If the MN State Electrical Inspector is present at the Taste of Hutchinson, your booth will need to pass a state inspection in order to open for business. Many vendors will already have these electrical requirements satisfied. If you do not, your local electrician should be able to assist you, or you may be able to find equipment that you could rent for this event.

Power Connections are in limited supply. Please be as specific as possible in regards to your electrical needs for the Taste of Hutchinson. You may request up to two (2) 110 Volt / 20 Amp connections. Multiple 220 Volt / 50 Amp or 30 Amp Twist Lock connections may also be available. Please see diagram below for a visual representation of these connections.



If you have any questions regarding the electrical guidelines for the Taste of Hutchinson, please feel free to contact Leah Watzke at (320)582-0023 or ambassadors@explorehutchinson.com.

Minnesota Department of Health Information

The State of Minnesota requires that all food vendors at events (like the Taste of Hutchinson) have a vending license.

If you do not have a Food Vendor License, please contact the Minnesota Department of Health using the contact information provided to the right. Please remember to specify that you are in need of a Special Event Food Stand License and have your food item information ready.

Your license will need to be displayed in your booth during the Taste of Hutchinson.

Ben Ische
MN Department of Health
Office: (507) 344-2710

Operator Certificate of Compliance and Hutchinson Tax Information

We are required by the State of Minnesota to get written evidence that people who do business at shows such as the Hutchinson Arts & Crafts Festival and the Taste of Hutchinson have a valid Minnesota tax ID number. If a seller is not required to have a Minnesota tax ID number, the seller must give the operator a written statement in the form of an Operator Certificate of Compliance. The current Minnesota Sales Tax Rate for all taxable items is 6.875%.

In addition to the Minnesota Sales Tax, the City of Hutchinson has adopted a 0.5% Sales Tax applicable to all taxable items specified by Minnesota State Tax Laws. If you are selling taxable items, please note that your Tax Rate will be 7.375%.

Booth Options

Standard Booth Spaces measure 15' wide x 10' deep and include one (1) Menu Item. Electricity is NOT included. Entire Booth Setup or Trailer including Trailer Hitch must fit in space requested. Additional space may be purchased in 5' increments based on availability.

- Standard Booth (15' x 10') - \$350
- Standard Booth Plus 5' (20' x 10') - \$400
- Standard Booth Plus 10' (25' x 10') - \$450

**All COMPLETE Applications received on or before May 8, 2015 may apply a \$50 Early Bird Discount to their booth fees. This discount will be applied on Page 4.*

Electricity Options

Maximum of two (2) 110 Volt/20 Amp outlets is allowed per vendor space. Additional outlets can not be guaranteed without prior authorization.

A limited number of 220 Volt/50 Amp and 30 Amp outlets are also available. Please refer to pictures of the available outlets on Page 2.

- 1 x 110 Volts - \$25
- 2 x 110 Volts - \$50
- 1 x 220 Volts - \$50

Menu Items

One (1) Menu Item is included in Booth Fees. All Additional Menu items cost \$100 each. Please list all menu items that you wish to apply for plus 3 Alternate Items. Vendors will be selected based on the menu items listed below. To limit duplication, not all items listed may be approved.

Menu Item—Any food item that would be listed and/or priced separately on you menu during the Festival. You are not required to list special toppings as separate menu items (ie: cheese, condiments, etc.).

Beverages—If you intend to sell beverages in your booth, please list them as follows:

- Pop, Water, or Hot Beverages—may be listed as 1 menu item and may include any number of variations of pop, bottled water, hot beverage (tea, coffee cocoa), iced tea, or lemonade.
- Blended Drinks—may be listed as 1 menu item and may include up to 3 varieties of smoothies, blended coffee drinks, milkshakes, or other specialty blended beverages.

Vendor Costs

Please circle/list all options that apply to your preferred vendor space.

Booth Choice:

\$350 \$400 \$450

Electricity Needs:

1 x 110 Volt (\$25) 2 x 110 Volt (\$50)

1 x 220 Volt (\$50) Other: _____

Menu Item	Selling Price	Item
1.		Included
2.		\$100
3.		\$100
4.		\$100
5.		\$100
6.		\$100
7.		\$100
8.		\$100

Alternate Menu Items (please list 3)	Selling Price
1.	
2.	
3.	

Total: _____

Liability Insurance Waiver

It is hereby agreed and understood that the vendor will carry the necessary licenses and insurance covering booths, equipment, and other property used by the vendor in Library Square, and/or on the streets and sidewalks of Hutchinson during the Arts & Crafts Festival and Taste of Hutchinson, September 17, 18, and 19, 2015, and hereby exonerates the Hutchinson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism, the Hutchinson Ambassadors, all committees, the City of Hutchinson and officials and members of these names, from all liability of any nature while said business is conducted.

Signature _____

Date _____

Vendor Information

Company Name: _____
Contact Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____ Website: _____
Contact person responsible for booth on-site: _____ On-Site Contact Cell Phone: _____ Vehicle License Plate: _____

Payment Information

Total From Page 3: _____ - \$50 Early Bird Discount (if applicable) = Total Amount Due: _____

Please add all items listed/chosen on Page 3. If you have questions or special requests (electricity, booth spaces not listed, etc.), please contact Leah Watzke at 320-582-0023 or ambassadors@explorehutchinson.com to verify the correct amount of your payment.

- Check Enclosed—Please make checks payable to the Hutchinson Ambassadors
- Cash or Money Order
- Credit Card
Card #: _____
Exp. Date: _____ CVV#: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____



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**Early Bird Discount Deadline:
May 8, 2015**

**General Application Deadline:
May 29, 2015**

Application Checklist

- { } Early Bird Discount
An Early Bird Discount of \$50 may be applied to all COMPLETE Vendor Applications received on or before May 8, 2015.
 - { } Completed & Signed Application (page 3)
 - { } Menu List with Pricing (page 3)
 - { } Payment in Full
 - { } MN Operator Certificate of Compliance
 - { } Proof of Liability Insurance Certificate
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