

SouthShore Seafood & Arts Festival

November 2 & 3, 2019

2019 FOOD VENDOR APPLICATION

Application Deadline: October 1, 2019

The SouthShore Seafood & Arts Festival will be held at E.G. Simmons Park, 2401 19th Avenue NW in Ruskin, Florida on Saturday and Sunday, November 2 & 3, 2019.

Hours: Saturday, November 2 10am - 7pm
Sunday, November 3 10am - 5pm

Early Set-Up: Friday, November 1 9:00am - 5pm

Deadline: October 1, 2019
Acceptance emailed by October 8, 2019
No refunds after acceptance letter emailed.

Fees: The fee for festival participation is 20% of sales. Concessions/Food tickets (Seabucks) will be sold by the SouthShore Chamber of Commerce. Payment to Vendors will be mailed no later than Thursday, November 7, 2019. With prior notification, checks may be picked up at the chamber office on or after November 7, 2019.

Deposit Amounts: \$100.00 (Maximum space if 12' X 10')
\$125.00 (Maximum space if 12' X 20')

The deposit is only to guarantee your space and will be refunded if booth area is clean at departure and all other requirements are met. Failure to exhibit both days during the festival hours or failure to properly clean booth area is an automatic forfeiture of deposit.

Entry Requirements:

- Completed application with signature of vendor
- Vendor's complete menu with prices (**\$'s only**) for each item to be sold. If prices are too high, we reserve the right to "strike" items from the menu. **We have had numerous requests for healthier seafood choices, please consider this when submitting your menu. Since we have limited space for food vendors, the absence of healthier options may affect your selection.**
- Space size needed. Specify customer-serving side
- Original certificate for product liability insurance.
- Check or money order for deposit payable to: *SouthShore Chamber of Commerce* (Check returned if application not accepted.)
- Completed W9.

Eligibility: Quality food products for retail sales to the public. Only one Vendor allowed per booth. The committee will screen all applications to ensure suitability.

Sales Tax: Each Vendor is responsible for collecting and filing appropriate sales tax on sales made during the festival. Hillsborough County sales tax is 7%.

Security: On-site security will be provided Friday and Saturday night. Booths may be left up overnight, at the exhibitor's own risk. The festival committee and its sponsoring organizations will not be liable for loss and/or damage of Vendor's goods or display material.

Gate/Parking Passes: **Gate passes and Vendor parking passes will be available for pick up upon check in on site. Limit of four (4) Gate Passes and (2) Parking Passes for the entire weekend.**

Parking: Vehicles allowed on festival site for easy loading and unloading prior to and after the festival; however, no unnecessary vehicles in food area during festival hours. Vendor parking is close by.

Conditions for Participation:

- Vendor must be set up by 9 am on Saturday, November 2, 2019, and remain in place until closing each day.
- Vendors may sell ONLY food specified on **menu returned with this application**. Menus must state **item and price**. Menus submitted to festival committee will be used for Seabuck sales booth to assist customers with their food selections.
- Vendors will be allowed to sell beverages. **No alcohol.**
- The SouthShore Chamber of Commerce will provide bags of ice for a minimal fee.
- Electricity may be provided to a limited number of vendors. Call the Chamber for details. 813-645-1366
- Vendors must comply with all health and safety requirements of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations, Division of Hotels and Restaurants.
- Vendors must provide a minimum of two (2) 30-gallon garbage containers with liners. Each Vendor will be responsible for emptying their containers on a regular basis into the dumpster provided by the SouthShore Chamber of Commerce. The Vendor is responsible for keeping the area in and around their booth clean.
- Vendors must have a hand-washing facility at their booth.
- **Vendors must dispose of all fryer grease and remove it at the close of the festival. Grease may not be disposed of in the festival site dumpsters. Fines will be administered for violators.**
- Vendors must contain wastewater from their booth.
- Vendors using any type of oven, grill, deep fryer, flame operated appliance or heating element must have at minimum a charged 40BC fire extinguisher. Vendors' booths are subject to inspection by the Fire Marshall before the booths can open. This requirement is for the safety of all concerned.
- Vendor's booth or trailer must fit within the space size reserved. This includes tie down, tarp, flaps, side openings, table, chairs, etc. All Vendors should use a set up in keeping with a "seafood festival" theme and conducive to outdoor production of food. Vendors that do not meet this requirement will be asked to remove their booth with no refund of deposit.
- All Vendors are required to provide a current certificate of insurance *listing the * SouthShore Chamber of Commerce 906 N US Hwy 41 Ruskin, FL 33570 as an additional insured* on general liability with a minimum coverage of one million (\$1,000,000). The certificate must be an original and show products and completed operations. Contact your insurance agent and request this information immediately to participate in the festival. Photocopies of your policy or copies of outdated certificates will not be accepted.
- Vendors are required to operate both days or clean-up deposit will be forfeited.
- Festival site closes at 6:pm on Friday and Sunday. Saturday extended hours may apply. No exhibitor will be allowed on site after closing.
- Vendors may not use audio equipment such a megaphones or microphones.
- No pets allowed in booth area.
- **Failure to abide by the Conditions for Participation may result in forfeiture of deposit.**

SOUTHSHORE SEAFOOD & ARTS FESTIVAL

Concessions/Food Vendor Application

November 2-3, 2019

Please Print Clearly

Name/Business Name _____

Check Payable to (for vendor payment) _____

(Checks must be made out to the business name if a tax id# is provided. If social security # is being used checks will be made out to the individual whose social security number is given.)

**Social Security Number _____ or Tax ID# _____

Contact _____ Daytime Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____ Website _____

List all appliances to be used _____

****Each vendor is required to fill out a W9 to be turned in with your application.**

_____ 12' x 10' Space - \$100.00 – Specify customer-serving side

_____ 12' x 20' Space - \$125.00 - Specify customer-serving side

_____ **Menu with prices – We have had numerous requests for healthier seafood choices, please consider this when submitting your menu. Since we have limited space for food vendors, the absence of healthier options may affect your selection.**

_____ Photograph of booth/trailer (For 1st year food vendors)

_____ Certificate for product liability insurance*

_____ Completed W9 form

*****NO EXCLUSIVITY GRANTED ON ANY FOOD ITEMS!*****

ELECTRICAL NEEDS

Number Requested

_____ # of 120 volt service

_____ # of each additional 120 volt outlets

_____ # of 220 volt circuits – 30 amp service

_____ # of 220 volt circuits – 50 amp service

_____ # of 3 or 4 wire (direct wire) service

NOTE: Because power must be shared with other participants and temporary power loss or surges are not uncommon, proper action should be taken by the vendor to protect any sensitive equipment with surge protectors, etc. No electrical cords or lights will be provided by the Ruskin Seafood Festival. No power strips will be allowed. For all services of 30 amp and above, a photo of your electrical plug should be included with your application. Additional instructions will be forth coming after acceptance.

Give full description of the equipment which will require power: _____

_____ I have my own generator and do not have electrical needs from the Ruskin Seafood Festival.

The undersigned hereby forever discharges and releases the Ruskin Seafood Festival, the SouthShore Chamber of Commerce, E.G. Simmons Park and all sponsoring organizations, their directors, agents, officers, employees and volunteers from all matters of actions, suits, damages, claims and demands whatsoever in law or equity for any responsibility, personal liability, claims, loss or damage arising in any way out of or in conjunction with the undersigned's application to participate in the Ruskin Seafood Festival. **The committee also reserves the right to remove any exhibitor that does not comply with the festival Conditions for Participation, whose display is not in good taste, or is not consistent with photos submitted.**

If for any cause whatsoever, it becomes impossible to have the festival, the applicant understands that this agreement is terminated and waives any and all claims for damages.

I agree to assume full responsibility for my exhibit. I further agree and represent that I have received, read and am bound by the provisions set forth by this application, the SouthShore Chamber of Commerce, and the Ruskin Seafood Festival Committee.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

_____ **I have read and agree to the Conditions for Participation**

The deadline for receiving applications is **October 1, 2019**. Acceptance will be emailed not later than **October 8, 2019**.

Mail completed application, menu, photographs, original certificate for product liability insurance, completed W9 and refundable deposit to:

SouthShore Chamber of Commerce
Concessions/Food Application
906 US Hwy 41 N
Ruskin, FL 33570

Should you wish to contact us to verify receipt of your application information, please contact us via email at admin@southshorechamberofcommerce.org

ACCOMMODATIONS:

EG Simmons County Park	813-671-7655
Pirate's Point Resort	813-641-2052
Ruskin Inn	813-641-3437
Holiday Palms RV Park	813-645-9496
Manatee RV Park	813-645-7652
Sun City Center Inn	813-634-3331
The Resort & Club at Little Harbor	813-922-6000
Hilton Garden Inn	813-626-6610
Embassy Suites Tampa Brandon	813-413-3907
Comfort Inn	813-633-3318
Comfort Motel	813-645-4348

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