

_____ Food Vendor

43rd Annual Rockport Seafair

Food Vendor Application

October 12-15, 2017

Seafair is an outdoor sea themed festival which includes **Food Booths featuring at least ONE MAIN SEAFOOD item.** To maintain the standard of quality we have established in 42 years of the Festival, all vendors must submit an application specifying the food items to be offered for sale at **Seafair**. A jury committee will review all applications. Anything not listed on the application and approved by the jury committee will not be allowed. Specific rules are listed below. You will be notified promptly of the committee's decision. Checks will be returned for the applications not accepted. **Full** payment is required upon application. **NO REFUNDS OR RAINCHECKS WILL BE ISSUED ON APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED BY THE COMMITTEE.** Booths are filled on a first come, first served basis so apply early to ensure you are included we will only consider non chamber members after January 1, 2017!!!

Application: (all spaces MUST be filled in)

Business _____

Representative _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Number of Badges Requested (limit 4 per booth) _____

Booth Fees:

____ Booth Rental \$275.00 (10'x10')

____ Electricity 1st 20 amp circuit \$50 additional

____ 2nd 20 amp circuit \$50 additional

____ Insurance \$50 or certificate of Insurance

____ \$5.00 Vendor Pass Deposit (will be refunded Sunday if pass returned)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Food to be sold – Please state exact description (if required attach additional items)

Item	Price
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

All applications must be accompanied by check or money order. Applications will be accepted by Chamber members first. All non-chamber members may apply after 1/1/17. No booth can be reserved without payment. You will be notified of your acceptance by email. In signing you agree to adhere to all guidelines listed on the following pages during the entire Seafair. Mail application with payment to: Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce, 319 Broadway, Rockport, TX 78382 or phone 361-729-6445 to use a credit card.

The Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce, its officers, agents, employees, and other representatives shall not be held liable for, and hereby are released from liability from, any damages, loss, harm, or injury to the person or property of the exhibitor or any of its officers, agents, employees, and other representatives, resulting from theft, fire, water, weather, accident, or other cause. The exhibitor shall indemnify, defend, or protect the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce and hold harmless from any and all claims, demands, suits, liability, damages, loss costs, attorneys fees and expenses or whatever kind of nature which might result from or arise out of any action or failure to act on part of the exhibitor or any of its officers, agents, employees or other representatives. Please call us at the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce at (361) 729-6445 if you have any questions.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Please read the Vendor Guidelines. In signing you agree to adhere to all guidelines during the entire Seafair Event.

Info: Eric Heller, eheller@fcbot.com or 832- 472-3146

Seafair Food Booth Vendor Guidelines

1. Booths are available to commercial groups on a space available basis.
2. You must list EVERY item you wish to sell and the price you will charge on the application for approval. All organizations are to sell only those foods listed and approved on their application. Any vendor selling items not approved will be asked to cease at once. Failure to comply will result in vendors being asked to leave the festival.
3. All decisions on acceptance are final. The Rockport Fulton Chamber of Commerce has the right to accept or refuse any application.
4. Each booth is to have at least ONE MAIN SEAFOOD item on the menu. Applications are reviewed based on the seafood item & the needs of the festival. Every attempt is made to avoid duplication of menu items.
5. Booth spaces are 10' x 10' and all will have electricity if purchased.
6. Payment must accompany this application. There are no refunds or rain checks on approved applications.
7. Trailers are accepted on a case by case basis depending on the size and condition of the trailer. Vendors who vend from trailers must pay according to space required. Trailer vendors must set up on Thursday between 8am-1pm. Trailers must enter the tent in order for ease of set up so you may be given a specific time to set up. If you arrive late you may not be allowed to set up (due to space constraints) and no refunds will be made. Trailers must be removed on Monday before noon. Call Sandy Jumper 361-729-6445 before you submit an application for a trailer.
8. A certificate of Insurance must accompany your application. If this Certificate is not received, an additional fee of \$50 must be submitted to cover the cost of insurance.
9. Vendors must comply with the Aransas County health regulations for temporary food establishments. All food booths must have an operable, certified fire extinguisher as well as a hand washing station. NO SMOKING in food booths. Food handler cards are required. The Health Inspector will inspect booths and certificates will be issued on the grounds. Call Aransas County Health Inspector for more information at 361-790-0121.

10. RULES:

- a. EVERYONE who works at the Rockport Seafair is a volunteer. Please treat our volunteers with kindness and respect – they work all year to put on this festival.
- b. You must provide your own male electrical plug with ground. Your circuits are GFCI protected so you need to insure your equipment is operating properly. Circuits are not shared with other vendors.
- c. Vendors are required to have prominent signage featuring their **SEAFOOD ITEMS**. Menus should be at the top of booth and not at ground level. No items are allowed to be listed on the menu boards that are not offered for sale at the festival. You may cover items not for sale with tape. The space from the counter to the ground must be screened.
- d. No sodas, water, alcoholic beverages or snow cones may be sold.
- e. Condiments such as tartar sauce, salad dressing, mayo, etc. must be in a tub of ice at all times.

f. Water is provided in a two central locations for use by all vendors. (bring your own hose) Permanent connection of hoses is prohibited. Used water will be disposed of near the fence where the air conditioned toilet is located. Do not throw water around the booth!!

g. Seafair hours are Thursday, 5pm -11pm, Friday 5 pm -11 pm, Saturday 10 am -11 p.m. and Sunday 11 am-6 p.m. All booths must remain open during the entire time the grounds are open. Overnight security is provided.

h. Vehicles are not permitted on the grounds during festival operations. Violators will be towed. Vehicles must be off the grounds by 4:30 pm Friday, 9:30 am Saturday, 10:30 am Sunday. If you need to restock during festival hours, you must enter by foot and a small wagon is recommended to carry items. Up to four vendor passes are provided. Vendor passes are REQUIRED to enter the gates without paying. If you forget your pass you will be required to pay the admission fee to enter the grounds. A deposit of \$5.00 for vendors passes will be charged when vendor passes are returned on Sunday the \$5.00 will be refunded.

i. USE THE SERVICE GATE ACROSS FROM THE CARNIVAL to enter the grounds before the festival opens. This is the ONLY entrance that is open.

j. NO BEER OR ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT ON SEFAIR GROUNDS. This is a TABC requirement and we ask your cooperation.

k. Trash may not be stacked up behind your booth during the day but must be taken to the dumpster promptly. If you wish to have our trash people haul off the trash, you may pay the organization directly for this service. The fee is \$20 per day.

l. Booths must be thoroughly clean when you leave. This means putting all trash in dumpster provided. If your booth is not clean, you will not be allowed to return.

m. Vendors are responsible for the disposal of grease. Grease cannot be disposed of on Seafair grounds or in our dumpster. Take cooking oil with you!

n. SET UP is Thursday and Friday from 9:00 to 4:30 pm. The festival opens at 5 pm.

o. No trailers or vehicles may be parked behind your booth. If you go further than 5 ft behind your booth you must purchase additional space.

p. If food storage is not located in your booth arrangements must be made ahead of time and there will be electrical outlet charges if you plug in to outlets not paid for in your booth.