



Food & Beverage Booth Information and Application

The mission of the *Skagit River Salmon Festival* is to celebrate our amazing Skagit River and its vast resources while inspiring community conservation. The event is a fun-filled experience for families featuring youth activities and crafts, recreational and educational booths, live music and cultural opportunities.

Through the day's events and activities, participants will come away with a greater understanding and appreciation of our Skagit River, our salmon resources, and our many communities it sustains.

The 2017 *Skagit River Salmon Festival* will be held from **10 a.m. to 6 p.m., on Saturday, September 9, 2017, at Edgewater Park in Mount Vernon.**

Our food and beverage booth objectives are to provide Festival visitors with a variety of food options, including salmon, and align with the farm-to-table movement at affordable prices.

What is Farm-To-Table? The farm-to-table movement advocates for local, seasonal, fresh and organically-produced foods, and is promoted by farmers and restaurants as a means to connect consumers to the source of the ingredients in their meals.

Booth/Food Truck Fees. The Festival requires a **\$150 Booth Fee AND 15 percent (15%) of gross earnings, minus taxes.**

We require food vendors to set up and sell on **September 9, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** Booth sizes are limited to 10' x 10' or 10' x 20' in size. If you require additional space, a greater booth size may be allocated upon request for an additional fee. There are a limited number of electrical outlets available. **Outlets will be available on request at an additional fee of \$35.** You are welcome to bring your own pop up tent or contact us for information on local rental companies to obtain one.

Please return the attached application as soon as possible if you are interested in participating this year along with the menu you plan to serve. The *Skagit River Salmon Festival* will review all vendor applications and make a determination of appropriateness and acceptance. We also need to know if you have any unusual electrical requirements. Please call the Skagit River Salmon Festival Coordinator at **(360) 510-2528** if you need more information.

Please note that you MUST have current a food handler card, business license, catering permit, and pass inspection by the Skagit County Health Department.

FOOD BOOTH HOURS:

- Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 pm

SET-UP & SUPPLY TIMES:

- Saturday, September 9, 7a.m. – 9 a.m.

ALL VEHICLES must be parked OUTSIDE the Festival gates by 9 a.m., please plan accordingly.

ZERO WASTE

The Festival organization is committed to promoting the preservation and conservation of the Skagit River as an invaluable community resource. Therefore, we participate in the **Skagit County Zero Waste Events Program. All food service-ware and drink containers must comply with the Zero Waste Vendor Packaging Rules.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following, when executed, constitutes a legal contract between the vendor and the Skagit River Salmon Festival. **Please print this contract, initial each line item, sign it, date it and include your 9-digit UBI or Tax Registration # on the appropriate line. Incomplete contracts will NOT be accepted.**

By signing this contract, you agree to abide by all the rules and regulations stipulated below.

FOOD & BEVERAGE BOOTH APPLICATION/CONTRACT

This form must be returned by **July 15, 2017**, in order to be listed in the event guide. Space is limited. We will review all applications upon receipt and notify you of acceptance.

Business Name _____

Address _____

UBI/Tax ID # _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Website _____

List ALL menu items and/or beverages you plan to serve (attach menu as needed):

BOOTH SIZE (Please select one):

10' x 10' Space

10' x 20' Space

Optional:

Electrical Outlet \$35 Yes _____ No _____

\$150 BOOTH FEE REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION

Initial on all lines below:

___ **Insurance.** A Certificate of General Liability Insurance is **required**. Ask your insurance provider to e-mail your Certificate of General Liability Insurance to skagitriverfest@gmail.com. **Deadline for submission is July 15, 2017.**

The Certificate of General Liability Insurance must cover \$1,000,000 minimum, naming the Skagit River Salmon Festival as Certificate Holder for the date of **September 9, 2017**. Certificates must be emailed or mailed to arrive no later than **July 15, 2017**, if you have questions about the insurance requirement, please contact your insurance provider.

___ I agree to keep my booth open and in operation during the Festival hours Saturday, September 9, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. No booths shall be taken down prior to 6 p.m. In case of a real emergency, contact the Festival to negotiate a mutually beneficial arrangement. I understand that if I do pack up my booth and leave Festival grounds prior to 6 p.m. without notifying a Festival official, it is considered a breach of contract and that any future application will not be considered.

___ I understand that the Skagit River Salmon Festival is a Zero Waste event. I acknowledge that I have read and agree to follow the Zero Waste Vendor Packaging Rules at the event.

Liability Release

I, the undersigned vendor and anyone in my services hereby agree to hold harmless the Skagit River Salmon Festival or its members, Festival coordinator, any landowners or their agents or any person, place, or thing, fictitious or real, against any breakage, damage to goods, the weather, acts of god, sickness, accident, theft, fire, or any claim I may make against any or all the above mentioned parties stemming from my participation in the Skagit River Salmon Festival. I will be totally responsible for any liability I may incur while doing business at the Festival. I agree to collect and to pay any taxes, which may result from my sales and I assume full responsibility for my own wares. I agree to be responsible for providing whatever liability and theft insurance I feel is necessary.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

Please return to:

Skagit River Salmon Festival
P.O. Box 1011
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Phone: (360) 510-2528

Email: skagitriverfest@gmail.com

Tax ID #45-5490813

Vendor Packaging Rules

Updated Spring 2017



How can you package food items? Make sure food service-ware is compostable!

YES: Strongly Recommended

Provide your food products in **uncoated paper** packaging and containers, for example:

- Wax paper
- Uncoated paper plates
- Paper napkins
- Paper towels
- Bamboo forks, knives, spoons
- Unlined/uncoated paper boats
- Unlined/uncoated paper bowls
- Unlined/uncoated paper bags
- Unlined/uncoated paper clamshells
- Large condiment dispensers

NO: Strongly Discouraged

We ask you **not** to use non-recyclable materials to package your food products. For example, do not use:

- Styrofoam
- Foil
- Saran Wrap
- Plastic Forks, Knives, Spoons
- Individual Condiment Packages
- Plastic straws (when possible)
- Plastic bags

How can you provide drinks? Make sure drink containers are recyclable!

YES: Strongly Recommended

Provide drinks in recyclable containers, for example:

- Plastic bottles, #1 and #2
- Aluminum cans
- Clear plastic cups with lids
- Red plastic cups
- Paper coffee cups
- Paper cartons

NO: Strongly Discouraged

We ask you **not** to provide drinks in any of these containers:

- Styrofoam cups

Where can you purchase recommended service-ware?

Cash & Carry

[150 E Sharon Ave, Burlington, WA 98233](http://150%20E%20Sharon%20Ave%2C%20Burlington%2C%20WA%2098233)

(360) 707-0109

Open until 7 pm

Cedar Grove, Online*

*Please purchase paper products ONLY, no compostable plastics

<https://cedar-grove.com/store/packaging>

World Centric*

*Please purchase paper or bamboo products ONLY, no compostable plastics

<http://worldcentric.org/>

LeafWare

*Please purchase paper or bamboo products ONLY, no compostable plastics

<http://www.leafware.com/>

Bambu

<https://www.bambuhome.com/collections/compostable-dinnerware#shop>

Leaf & Fiber*

*Please purchase palm products ONLY, no Bagesse products

<http://www.leafnfiber.com/>

Chinet Paper Products*

*Please purchase unlined paper products ONLY, no compostable plastics, or lined papers

<https://www.mychinet.com/products/plates>

FAQ

How can I tell the difference between a lined or coated paper product and an unlined or uncoated paper product?

Lined and unlined paper products are sometimes difficult to tell a part. A lined paper product has a very fine plastic lining across it to give it better structure, and prevent food from soiling through the surface. An unlined paper product does not have this plastic lining, and is sometimes slightly thicker as a way of preventing food from soaking through the surface.

Some general guidelines to identifying lined paper are if they have a design or print on them (paper plates with flowers, for example), or have a shiny or waxy coating on the outside surfaces. It may be helpful to know that all paper cups used to serve coffee are lined on the inside, and cannot be composted. However, if emptied of the beverage they contain, paper coffee cups can be recycled as mixed paper.

If you are still unsure whether a paper product is lined or not, you can do a 'scratch test.' Scratch the surface of the product where you believe the liner to be, if you see an indent where your fingernail has been (not into the paper, but into the liner), then you know it is lined.

The exception to this is waxed paper. Wax, being a natural substance, is compostable and can be accepted as a package to serve food at a Zero Waste Event. Make sure that your paper is truly waxed before using it to serve food.

Why aren't paper cups compostable?

Paper cups are not compostable because they are often lined with a very thin plastic on the inside of the cup. This prevents the beverage from soaking through the cup, and gives the cup a longer usage time by the consumer.

Since plastic does not break down and return to soil, paper cups cannot be composted, and must be emptied and recycled as mixed paper.

Why aren't you accepting compostable plastics in the compost catchment?

We no longer accept compostable plastics in the Zero Waste Event compost catchment, because despite best efforts, compostable plastics are not breaking down in the industrial composting systems. This is happening all around Washington State. Rather than contaminate soil enriching compost, we want to keep the soils that the composting industry is making as clean as possible. Single use plastic is a problem everywhere, we want to do our best to reduce the impact it is making.

We find that unlined and uncoated paper products do break down in the industrial composting system, as do bamboo forks, knives, spoons, paper towels, paper napkins, and waxed paper. We recommend these paper products over any type of compostable plastic service ware.