

PODUNK BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

IMPORTANT PODUNK INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

To ensure a SAFE and SUCCESSFUL PODUNK, please abide by these important guidelines. The PODUNK Committee looks forward to you joining them and Thank you in advance for your help in understanding and cooperation.

LOCATIONS AND TIME

Goshen Fairgrounds. 116 Old Middle Turnpike, Goshen CT. Thursday, 5:00 – 10:45 PM, Friday, 10:00 AM -10:40 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM -10:45 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Times may vary depending on vendor items.

Vendors must be in operation at all times or will be asked to leave the grounds.

SET UP TIME

Set up time is as follows: Set-up may take place on Tuesday or Wednesday, (inspection may take place provided enough vendors have signed-up). **ALL VENDORS MUST BE SETUP BY 3:00 PM ON THURSDAY**, Your booth must be set-up from Thursday through Sunday. Failure to be set-up by this time or stay until the end of the festival means you will not be allowed to vend and/or all deposits will be forfeited, unless advance arrangements are made with the festival.

NOTE: Once you have secured your vendor space, there will be no vehicle traffic. Plan accordingly for supplies; once you are in place, you are in until the end of the festival per order of the police department and festival management! Please abide by this request or further invitations to vend will not be extended.

VENDOR SPACE

Space is available in **TEN FOOT wide x TEN FOOT deep** plots. Tables, chairs and/or booths will **NOT** be provided - **YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN**. It is imperative that you abide by the state, city, and town safety codes. **IMPORTANT:** Keep in mind whether you vend from the side or back of your vehicle and the length of your trailer hitch. You have **TEN** Feet of frontage, if it exceeds **TEN FEET**, you will need to purchase **TWO spots**.

VENDOR FEE

Crafters: 80% of products sold must be made by vendor. The non-refundable rental fee is \$100.00 per space.

Merchandise Vendors: The non-refundable rental fee is \$150.00 per space.

Commercial Vendors/Demonstrators: The non-refundable rental fee is \$300.00 per space.

Food Vendors: The Festival uses "Funny Money" or "Del'lars". We will pay you 80% in cash or check once your "bucks" have been counted. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE FOOD VENDORS TO ACCEPT CASH. SPOTTER WILL BE CHECKING ALL FOOD VENDORS THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL. ANY VENDOR CAUGHT ACCEPTING CASH WILL BE ASKED TO TURN IN ALL PODUNK BUCKS AND LEAVE THE FESTIVAL IMMEDIATELY.**

There is an additional fee for vendors wishing to use electricity see applications for details. The fee for electricity should be included with the appropriate rental fee.

All vendors must submit the full rental fee, an insurance certificate and a completed application to reserve space(s). Please make checks payable to: Podunk Bluegrass Festival.

All vendors must comply fully with cleanup requirements – no disposal of debris in any storm drains, place

trash in trash receptacles, and leave area as found, after the festival.

PERMITS

Food Vendors Remember: Full compliance with all guidelines and requirements of the Torrington Area Health District is mandatory during this event.

Tenting:

All tents over 10'x10' must be Fire retardant.

Generators: Use of generators is not allowed.

TAX NUMBER - All vendors must have a Connecticut State Tax Number. Apply to: Department of Revenue Services, 92 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT 06105, (860)566-7418.

INSPECTION

ALL VENDOR SET UPS WILL BE INSPECTED BY THE TOWN. Inspection time will be no later than one hour before the gate opens. **ALL PERMITS WILL BE NEEDED AT THE TIME OF INSPECTION – Health, Building and Tax.** If a vendor fails to pass ANY of these permits on the day of the event, you will be prohibited from doing business that day. PODUNK will review and reserves the right to not allow the exhibit or sale of any items they consider to be detrimental to the image of PODUNK. The sale of merchandise and food in the same space is prohibited. Please remove such items when asked; failure to comply with Podunk Management will forfeit any invitations to attend in future years and immediate expulsion of the day of PODUNK.

SECURITY

Although there will be security throughout the Festival sites, Goshen Agricultural Society, Town of Goshen, and Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival, Inc. assumes NO responsibility for security of your area, equipment, goods, or any revenues before, during, or after this event.

WEATHER

PODUNK will take place RAIN or SHINE.

UNALLOWABLE SALES ITEMS

Items for sale which involve the firing or jettison of water, chemicals, projectiles of any type and other such commodities deemed objectionable by the Podunk Committee or Police Department will not be allowed in any of the designated Podunk sites. The Committee reserves the right to remove such vendor(s) from the premises. The sale of "silly string", sparklers and/or "poppers" is prohibited.

ITEMS

Items listed on your application upon approval will be the only items allowed for sale at the festival. Please be as specific and descriptive as possible when listing items. We try to eliminate having vendors selling similar products or foods.

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE MUST BE RECEIVED 35 days prior to the festival. The insurance must name the following as additionally insured: "The Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival, Inc., Town of Goshen, and The Goshen Agricultural Society". Minimum of \$1,000,000 (One Million).