



SouthArk Outdoor Expo 2023 - Food Truck Regulations and Rules

The Outdoor Expo strives to maintain a balance and diversity in food truck quality offerings. All applications and products are reviewed so that we may maintain this balance. Our goal is to keep standards high and promote a safe, successful, and fun festival. Regulations will be enforced.

Invitations are extended to food trucks who submit the following before the application can be approved.

- Fully executed applications with payments and required enclosures (see registration form) by the August 28, 2023 deadline.
- Detailed menu of items to be sold identifying offerings and projected pricing for these offerings.
- Photographs of the food truck set-up and items to be sold.
- It is the sole responsibility of each concessionaire to obtain the applicable and appropriate state and local licenses and permits as well as payment of taxes pertaining to their operation.
- Food Vendors will indemnify and hold the SouthArk Foundation, El Dorado Conference Center, City of El Dorado, event sponsors and volunteers harmless from all costs, losses, damages, or expenses including expense of litigation, and attorneys' fees resulting from loss, injury, or damage real or asserted, to any person or property arising out of any act or omission of vendor or his employees or other representatives.
- Security will be provided during festival hours.

Application Process:

- The registration form must be signed & returned before you will be allowed to set-up.
- If you are not accepted for the festival, your payment will be returned to you.
- The SouthArk Outdoor Expo is subject to various weather conditions and state and federal safety and health regulations. There will be no refunds for weather conditions or failure to comply with state/local regulations and/or failed inspections.
- We welcome inquiries via email at foundation@southark.edu

Set up time: Friday, September 8, 11 a.m.– 6 p.m.

- Security will be provided 24/7.
- Park parallel to the curb, not angled parking. We must have the area open for first responders in case of an emergency.
- Look for the food truck banner.
- ABSOLUTELY NO SET UP ON DAY OF THE EVENT.

Event Day: Saturday, September 9, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: El Dorado Conference Center, 311 South West Ave. El Dorado, AR 71730

April 25, 2023

ON EVENT DAY:

- **The SouthArk Foundation will be the sole provider selling slabs of ribs at the event. We ask that no other vendors sell ribs.**
- Absolutely ZERO stock trailers will be allowed inside the festival area after you load in. Park outside of the festival area in the adjacent parking lot at 334 South West Ave. See map. This is a few feet from your food truck. There will be a chain blocking the driveway entry but you may unhook it to get in. Please put it back up as you enter and exit.
- The vending spots are approximately 12x20. This includes tongue to end. Food trucks will be set up close to each other.
- Food/Concessionaires are required to keep a neat, presentable booth at all times. Tables should be covered. Empty boxes and trash will not be permitted around the booth.
- 110 electricity available. We discourage generators but if one is used, it must be **QUIET and not emit gas fumes**. Generator specs: maximum of 50 decibel level, 20-25amps, 120volts. Locate your covered generator behind your truck, not beside it. **If it is not quiet, we will have to ask you to turn it off.**
- No water is available.
- The Expo will not provide change for you.
- You are required to stay until 4:00 p.m. when the festival ends.
- Your place should be left as clean as you found it when you set up.
- This is a rain or shine event. There will be no refunds.
- We ask that all vendors sell different items for more variety and more sales for you. This is not a guarantee and it is possible some food items may be duplicated, although we have made every effort to invite food trucks that have a variety of foods.
- Vendor/exhibitor/food truck parking is provided in designated areas. With the exception of specified set-up/load-in and break-down/load-out times, vehicles will not be permitted at event site. Vehicles will be removed immediately when asked to be by security.



We look forward to seeing you at the Outdoor Expo!

April 25, 2023

On January 24, 2022 the El Dorado City Council passed Ordinance 1882 regulating operations for Mobile Food Vendors within the city limits. This is a summary of the Ordinance and does not include all requirements.

Mobile Food Truck operators shall obtain the following prior to conducting business in the City of El Dorado

- i. Valid city business license
- ii. Current health inspection
- iii. Valid driver's license
- iv. Proof of vehicle registration
- v. Proof of current insurance
- vi. Proof of a tax identification number
- vii. Current fire inspection
- iii. Current code enforcement inspection

Cooking equipment that produces grease-laden vapors shall be protected with a kitchen exhaust hood and protected by automatic fire extinguishing systems. Requires a current annual inspection tag.

Portable fire extinguishers:

- a. (1) Small ABC extinguisher with current certified inspection tag.
- b. (1) K type extinguisher with a certified inspection tag (grease-laden only).

Gas cooking appliances shall be secured in place and connected to fuel-supply piping in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Movement of appliances shall be limited by restraining devices installed in accordance with the connector and appliance manufacturers' instructions.

Where LP-gas systems provide fuel for cooking appliances, such systems shall have a maximum aggregate capacity of LP-gas containers transported on the vehicle not exceed 200 pounds (91 kg) propane capacity.

LP-gas containers installed on the vehicle shall be securely mounted and restrained to prevent movement. LP-gas containers not attached to a vehicle must be secured in manner that prevents movement while attached to the gas systems.

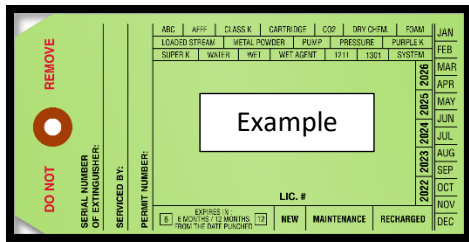
For any code or inspection specific questions please call:

Fire Code Inspection	870-881-4855
Plumbing and Electrical Inspection	870-863-4244

Mobile Food Vendor Code Requirements

Note: Partial list only. See 2021 Ark Fire Code Section 319 for a complete list of requirements and 2022 Local Ordinance No. 1892

- Mobile Food Trucks are required to have an Exhaust Hood with a [Fire Suppression System](#) if equipped with appliances that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors.
- Cooking appliances must be secured and rated for commercial operations. Appliances intended for outside use application shall not be used inside food truck.
- Fire Extinguishers and Suppression Systems must have a current inspection tag by a licensed fire protection inspector. These are valid for 1 year.



- Fire Extinguisher requirements:



ABC Fire Extinguisher – Minimum Size 5 lb. (ALL)

ABC rating is suitable for use with fires involving ordinary combustibles, flammable liquids and energized electrical equipment. Must have a current certification inspection tag by a licensed inspection company.



Class K Fire Extinguisher – Size 6 Litter (Required based on cooking operations)

Extinguishers with a K rating are designed to extinguish fires involving vegetable oils, animal oils, or fats utilized in commercial cooking appliances. Must have a current certification inspection tag by a licensed inspection company.

- Propane Cylinders must be secured and in spec with DOT requirements.
- Bulk cooking oil must be stored in proper containers and not exceed 120 gallons.
- Hood systems shall be clean and inspected per code.

List of licensed fire protection service providers can be found online at the Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board website: www.arfireprotection.org/licensing



If you have any questions please call the El Dorado Fire Department at 870-881-4855