

2023 FRANKLIN COUNTY WATERMELON FESTIVAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please Keep for Future Reference

August 18 & 19, 2023

Festival Times: Friday 6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Event Address: 103 Jackson Avenue North; Russellville, Alabama (look for the sign & balloons)

- **APPLICATION & PAYMENT DEADLINE IS JUNE 9, 2023, FOR EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT.** Payment in full is due with your application. Your cancelled check is your receipt. **Applications received after June 9, 2023, will not receive the discount.**
- **NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JULY 10, 2023. YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SET UP UNLESS YOUR FEE IS PAID IN FULL BEFORE JULY 10, 2023.**
- Vendor applications not accepted for the 2023 Franklin County Watermelon Festival will receive a full refund.
- **Booth Number(s) are given at the time of your Check-In.**
- **Confirmation of your acceptance will be sent via email by June 30, 2023.**
- *****NEW***Check-In/Setup Time: Food Vendors – 11:00 a.m. All other Vendors – 2:00 p.m.**
Setup prior to these times only by request and approval of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.
- **Food Vendors will be sent, upon Committee approval, Health Department and Fire Department information.**
- No items of any sort with the Franklin County Watermelon Festival, Franklin County Chamber, or Watermelon Festival Entertainment (name/logo/artwork/images) are permitted.
- NO RAIN DATE – The festival is held rain or shine. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN DUE TO THE WEATHER.
- ALL VENDORS MUST BE IN THEIR DESIGNATED SPACE AND READY FOR THE FESTIVAL TO BEGIN AT 5:00 p.m. Friday and 9:00 a.m. Saturday. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL YOU BE PERMITTED TO DRIVE THROUGH THE FESTIVAL AFTER 4 P.M. ON FRIDAY.
- **Vendors MUST NOT LEAVE until the end of the festival hours except in cases of emergency. Please notify the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce if you must leave before the end of festival hours. Vehicles inside of the festival barricades leaving before 10 p.m. on Friday or Saturday will be cited by the Russellville Police Department.**
- You CANNOT change your assigned spot or transfer your booth space to another vendor. Consult the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce on any issues.
- **Absolutely NO ALCHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, or OTHER NICOTINE PRODUCTS are permitted on the premises. The State of Alabama has a “no open container” law.**
- The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to reject any application. Incomplete applications will be refused.
- The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce reserves the RIGHT OF PLACEMENT for all vendors to ensure the success of the Festival.
- Vehicles must be moved promptly after unloading. Due to safety regulations, the middle of the street must be open for emergency vehicles.
- Vendors are responsible for cleaning booth areas during and after the festival.
- The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to inspect any and all vendor items. If deemed inappropriate, items will be removed.
- The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce will not assume responsibility for damage, loss, or injury that may occur to the vendor or the vendor’s belongings.
- Prohibited items: Swords, knives, guns, nun chucks, brass knuckles, darts, throwing stars, spray string, firecrackers, snappers, etc. Items bearing inappropriate language/logos or symbols, etc.

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