



**DELTA HOT TAMALE FESTIVAL**  
**DOWNTOWN GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024, 11:00 A.M.- 10:00P.M.**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024, 9:00A.M. – 6:00P.M.**

**Food Vendor Application**

**Application Deadline: 5:00 PM Friday, September 13, 2024**

Vendor/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* ALL COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THE FESTIVAL WILL OCCUR VIA EMAIL \*\*\***

Please include a complete detailed listing of items you will be selling:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? (Circle one): TV Radio Newspaper Social Media Friend  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Have you participated in the Delta Hot Tamale Festival before? (Circle One) Yes No

**Please select the appropriate quantities below.**

\*If you are a Main Street Member, please call for a special rate.

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$300.00\* – Includes a 10’x20’ vendor space-includes FRIDAY AND SATURDAY-  
 YOU MUST PARTICIPATE SATURDAY; Friday is optional.

\_\_\_\_\_ Total

Will you participate in Food Truck Friday? (circle one) yes no

Because of a change in availability to us, a very limited amount of electricity that **may** be available to food vendors this year. **We cannot guarantee any electricity will be available to us this year.** If electricity is available, we will contact those who have requested it in the order applications were received. There will be an additional charge that will be due before the festival date.

**Would you like to be contacted if electricity is available? (circle one) yes no**

**Method of Payment:** Please make checks payable to GGDF and remit payment along with a completed application to:

GGDF ATTN: Hot Tamale Festival, 504 Central Street, Greenville, MS 38701

**I have been provided a copy of the rules and regulations associated with being a vendor for The Delta Hot Tamale Festival and I agree to abide by them.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



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**Rules & Information for Food Vendors**

**Application Rules and Process:**

1. Payment is due when the application is received. Applications without payment will not be considered complete until payment is received. Spots will not be assigned unless payment has been received.
2. All food vendors must provide a copy of their ServSafe Certificate. If you are not ServSafe Certified and would like to be, please visit [www.ServSafe.com](http://www.ServSafe.com). Applications without ServSafe Certificates will not be considered complete until the certificate is received.
3. Because of a change in availability to us, a very limited amount of electricity will be available to food vendors this year. On the front of this application, please circle whether you would like to be contacted IF electricity will be available. Requesting electricity does NOT guarantee availability. You are responsible for providing your own electrical cords. ONLY OUTDOOR HEAVY DUTY (12 GAUGE MINIMUM) CORDS ARE ALLOWED.
4. Vendors providing their own electricity are not allowed to use loud-noise generators (max 65 DBA at 100% load – strictly enforced).
5. Vendors must furnish tables, chairs, electrical cords, etc. Tents may be rented from GGDF for a fee and are subject to availability. Provided on a first come/first serve basis. GGDF staff will set up and take down. Please call 662-378-3121 x 302 for availability.
6. All applications are subject to the approval of the Festival Vendor Committee. The committee reserves the right to reject an application at their sole discretion, and/or for the overall benefit of the festival. You will be notified of acceptance/rejection once all applications have been reviewed.
7. Deadline to receive applications: 5:00 PM Friday, September 13, 2024.
8. A \$25.00 service charge will be deducted from any refunds requested on or before Friday, September 13, 2024. There will be NO refunds issued after the deadline date.
9. Vendors understand that this festival is an outdoor event vulnerable to weather. Vendors understand that fees are non-refundable due to acts of God, inclement weather, dangerous conditions, acts or threats of terrorism, natural disasters, or war.
10. If approved, you will be notified via email.
11. The Festival Vendor Committee will select food vendors based on the following:
  - A. Type of food sold
  - B. Number of applications
  - C. Date that completed application (w/payment) is received.

We reserve the right to select certain food offerings per vendor to ensure all vendors have an opportunity to have a successful day.

**NO UNAUTHORIZED VENDORS OR SOLICITATIONS ARE ALLOWED. VIOLATORS OR ANYONE WHO FAILS TO ABIDE BY THE FESTIVAL RULES THAT ARE SET FORTH WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE FESTIVAL AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RETURN TO PARTICIPATE AS A VENDOR IN FUTURE EVENTS.**



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**General Rules for Food Vendors:**

1. Food vendors are NOT allowed to sell alcoholic beverages, t-shirts, and/or crafts.
2. Saturday is the MAIN festival day. Vendors participating in Food Truck Friday must offer the same menu BOTH days.
3. The Delta Hot Tamale Festival and Hot Tamale Capital of the World are a registered Trademarks. Vendors are NOT allowed to sell any items that use the Delta Hot Tamale name or logo or portray or imply an association with the Delta Hot Tamale Festival.
4. No political messages may be displayed on or within the vendor space.
5. The 10'x20' space sizing will be STRICTLY enforced. If you arrive at the festival, and your rig is longer than 20' (once it is fully set up ), you will be asked to leave without any refund.
6. If your entire parked, fully set-up rig is more than 20', you must buy an additional space so that it will fit. (Meaning, at the time of registration, you must purchase 2 festival spaces if your rig is more than 20' long. Additional space will NOT be available the day of the festival. If you show up and you are longer than 20' and you only purchased one spot, you will have to leave without refund.)

**Festival Rules:**

1. Your assigned space is final.
2. This is an outdoor festival. Please be prepared for all weather conditions.
3. If approved, registration packets will be available for pick up at the Greater Greenville office at 504 Central Street at these times: 2:00 pm -4:30 pm, Thursday, October 17, 2024, **or** 8 am-noon, Friday, October 18, 2024. Registration packets will also be available for pick up on Saturday, October 19, 2024, 6:00 am- 8:30 am at the Main Festival entrance. **YOU MUST CHECK IN BEFORE SETUP.**
4. Tent # badges must be visible at all times during the festival.
5. Exhibitors must assume full responsibility for displays, sales, and care of their items. Booth space must be left clean of any trash. **YOU MUST REMAIN IN YOUR ASSIGNED SPACE UNTIL 6:00 p.m., OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE FESTIVAL VENDOR LIST.**
6. **Setting up FRIDAY:** Vehicles must be cleared from the festival area by 11:00 am Friday morning and will NOT be allowed back onto the street until 10:00 pm Saturday evening.
7. **Setting up SATURDAY:** Vehicles must be cleared from the festival area by 8:30 am Saturday morning and will NOT be allowed back on the streets of the festival before 6:00 pm Saturday.
8. Sales tax of 7% must be collected on all sales. Envelopes will be disbursed at check-in. Vendors may drop their envelopes off at the t-shirt tent at any time throughout the day located near the main stage. All vendors who do not comply with this requirement will not be allowed to participate in next year's festival. Tax numbers will not be accepted. If participating Friday and Saturday, combine the gross sales from both days and submit one payment.

**Cooking Contest:**

All tamale vendors participating in this year's festival are automatically invited to participate in the Frank Carlton Cooking Contest at no extra fee. To participate in the cooking contest, you must participate in Flavors of the Festival by providing for purchase a set number of tamales to be delivered to the Hotel 27 Courtyard no later than 10:30 am, Saturday, October 19. As a tamale vendor, you will be contacted 1-2 weeks prior to the festival by a member of GGHRA's staff with more details including specific number of tamales and tamale types.