

MD Sheep and Wool Festival Vendor Information

General Information

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Executive Committee

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Facts About the Festival:

- The MD Sheep and Wool Festival is always held on the 1st full weekend of May
Hours open to the Public: Saturday 9:00 – 6:00
Sunday 9:00 – 5:00
- The Festival is always held at the Howard County Fairgrounds.
2210 Fairground Road
West Friendship, MD 21794
- The Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival is sponsored by the Maryland Sheep Breeders Association
- We do not charge a gate admission. The Festival is free to the public.

Application Process:

- There is a \$20 non refundable application fee.
- All new vendor applications should be accompanied by photos or other promotional materials to aid the vendor committee in reaching a decision. Photos and material will not be returned unless a postage paid envelope is included and it is made clear that you would like the items returned.
- Grandfathered vendors (those who exhibited at the previous year's Festival) are offered an opportunity to return upon an annual evaluation.
- After determining available spaces, we will jury all new applications received by the October 1st postmark. This process usually takes place at the end of October or early November. Our decisions are based on many things including:
 - Originality- we are always looking for new and fresh ideas
 - Quality
 - Type of exhibit needed to give the festival a well rounded presentation.
 - Booth presentation – booth should be aesthetically appealing
- Notification Letters are mailed by the end of December.

Exhibit Spaces

Main Exhibit Building

The Main Exhibit Hall is located at the far west end of the fairgrounds at the bottom of the hill. This building houses the majority of our craft vendors. Booth spaces in this building are typically 12' x 12' although some may differ. All attempts are made to provide one electrical outlet per booth, although not guaranteed (600 watts, 120V, single phase). The booth fee is \$340 per space.

Buildings 2

Building 2 is located at the NW portion of the fairgrounds across from the barns. Booth spaces in this building are typically 12' x 12' although some may differ. Access to electricity is available, but not guaranteed (600 watts, 120V, single phase). The booth fee is \$265 per space.

Barns 3,4,5,6

The Barns are centrally located on the fairgrounds. While there is a roof over the barns, they are open air. Electricity is usually available but not guaranteed. Booth spaces are approximately 13' x 10' to a fence. The fence is about 43 inches high and there is an additional 3' behind the fence which can be used for storage. The floor is a dirt floor. The booth fee is \$245 per space.

Outside

We have outside space throughout the fairgrounds. Booth sizes range generally from 15' x 10' to 30' x 10'. Spaces are not guaranteed to be flat. Some are in grassy areas while others are in graveled areas. Access to electricity is limited when available, and may not be located conveniently to your booth area. Outside booth spaces range in price from \$172-\$328.

General Space Information

Security personnel will patrol the fairgrounds from Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. until Sunday at 5:30 p.m. All buildings are locked from closing each night until 8:00 a.m. the following morning. Exhibitors are ultimately responsible for their exhibit accessories.

Festival management reserves the right to approve all exhibit materials and remove those that may be considered objectionable.

Rental space is just that, space. Vendors are responsible for providing their own tables, chairs, tents etc... Vendors must also adhere to Howard County Building & Fire Codes (addendum attached).

All new vendors will be assigned one space only.