

# 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Bay Watermelon Festival

July 3-4, 2023

ODD FELLOWS FESTIVAL PARK

10327 Taylor F. Harper Blvd., Grand Bay, AL 36541

Website: [www.grandbaywatermelonfestival.org](http://www.grandbaywatermelonfestival.org)

**Crafter or Commercial Application**

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> – 3 to 7 pm and July 4<sup>th</sup> – 10 am to 6 pm**

## RULES

- **Vendors are responsible for all sales tax – both collection and payment.**
- The Grand Bay Watermelon Festival is a family event and **smoking is not allowed** in the Festival area. **Pets are also not allowed** in the Festival area. **No alcohol is allowed anywhere in the park.** Please ensure that your representative(s) know and abide by these rules.
- Vendors can set up on July 3<sup>rd</sup> between 8 am–2:45 pm, and restock booth on July 4<sup>th</sup> between 7–9:45 am. Weather permitting, booths may be lowered and left in place overnight on the 3<sup>rd</sup> as gates will be locked and security will be on site.
- All vendors will have **15 minutes** to unload their vehicle to their booth and then **must** have vehicles moved to either the Vendor parking area or general parking. Booths can be set up after vehicles are moved. **ABSOLUTELY NO vehicles allowed** in festival area between the hours of **2:45 – 7 pm** on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and **9:45 am to 6 pm** on July 4<sup>th</sup>. **Vehicles will not be allowed back to your booth outside of designated times, unless the Festival is called closed because of weather by the Event Coordinator.** Any vehicles necessary at your booth during the event **must** be **pre-approved** by the Event Coordinator **when you send in** your application and cannot be moved during festival times. You **must** check in with the Event Coordinator before set-up for booth assignment. Main Street location is facing the front of the dirt road between the Watermelon truck and the food booths. Others will be between Main Street and the Gazebo. Not all booth spaces are level; there are many trees (for shade) and some tree roots above ground. For Main Street, get your application in early. First come, first served.
- **NO** food items can be distributed or sold from your booth unless pre-packaged, labeled, and pre-approved by Event Coordinator or/and the Mobile County Health Department.
- Reserved Vendor parking is available, provided by the Festival Committee. On site camping in Vendor parking is available, with prior notice, for completely self-contained campers – fee for electricity.
- **If you are a first-time vendor with us**, please provide at least 3 photos of your booth/exhibit items.
- The Grand Bay Watermelon Festival Committee reserves the right to accept or deny any exhibit. Any vendor not complying with rules and/or conducts themselves in an unprofessional manner will be asked to leave the grounds. **All decisions are FINAL.**
- Spaces are a **minimum of 10 x 10.**
- Crafters and Commercial are encouraged to have insurance, listing Grand Bay Watermelon Festival as ‘Certificate Holder’ on their Certificate of Insurance (COI). Touching of the public, i.e., face painting, applying make-up, etc., are required to have a minimum of \$1,000,000 insurance policy. Information for COI: Grand Bay Watermelon Festival, 10327 Taylor F. Harper Blvd., Grand Bay, AL, and can be e-mailed to: [eventscoordinator@grandbaywatermelonfestival.org](mailto:eventscoordinator@grandbaywatermelonfestival.org), or mailed.
- All booth spaces will be assigned by Event Coordinator.
- FEES: **Electricity - \$25 extra** (if available – call for availability before sending application)  
Crafters – **\$50** (10 X 10), Main Street **add \$25.00; \$90** (10 X 20), Main Street **add \$35.00**; other – inquire.  
Commercial – **\$100** (10 X 10), Main Street **add \$25.00; \$175** (10 X 20), Main Street **add \$35.00**; other – inquire. **One vehicle pass provided per vendor for July 4<sup>th</sup>. All others must pay admission fee of \$5.**

**Make Check, Cashier’s Check, or Money Order payable to: Grand Bay Watermelon Festival**

Application **and** payment can be mailed to: *Grand Bay Watermelon Festival, P.O. Box 1022, Grand Bay, AL 36541.* Other Payment options: CashApp: @GBWatermelonFestival

PayPal also accepted at: <https://www.paypal.me/GBWatermelonFestival> Add 4% PayPal fee

**APPLICATIONS can be mailed or e-mailed and MUST BE received by June 17, 2023**

**No personal checks accepted after June 17<sup>th</sup>**

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**Craft or Commercial Application**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person(s) representing at the Festival: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers with area code: (H/W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle) Craft / Commercial, detailed description of items offered, so you will not be set up by someone selling similar items: \_\_\_\_\_

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Booth size request:

Crafter: \_\_\_\_\_ 10X10; \_\_\_\_\_ 10X20; Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Main Street \_\_\_\_\_ (Add \$25/\$35)

Commercial: \_\_\_\_\_ 10X10; \_\_\_\_\_ 10X20; Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Main Street \_\_\_\_\_ (Add \$25/\$35)

Type of Electricity needed (110 only) \_\_\_\_\_ (Add \$25 each 110 outlet)

I plan to set up on July 3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_; restock morning of July 4<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_; set up on July 4<sup>th</sup> only \_\_\_\_\_.

**Payment must be made when application is submitted. No personal checks accepted after June 17<sup>th</sup>.**

To pay by PayPal: <https://www.paypal.me/GBWatermelonFestival> Add 4% for PayPal fee

Other Payment option: CashApp: @GBWatermelonFestival

For questions, contact Patty at 251-865-3456 or [eventscoordinator@grandbaywatermelonfestival.org](mailto:eventscoordinator@grandbaywatermelonfestival.org)

**RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION:**

I/We, the undersigned participants listed below, specifically assume any risk and release the GRAND BAY WATERMELON FESTIVAL (GBWF), INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS (IOOF) GRAND BAY LODGE #73, and MARTHA REBEKAH LODGE #29, from any and all causes of action, claims, demands, liability, damages, or any accidents, injuries, or lost articles during the Festival. I/we agree to indemnify and hold them harmless from any and all costs of any kind whatsoever (including attorney's fees and court costs), causes of action, claims, demands, liability, or damages relating in any way to the GRAND BAY WATERMELON FESTIVAL's functions and/or events, whether caused by, or allegedly caused by any acts, intentional, negligent, contributory, or otherwise by the GRAND BAY WATERMELON FESTIVAL's agents, officers, or directors, or Acts of God.

I/We have read the updated rules and agree to abide by the rules as set forth in this application (first page) and understand that a failure to abide by these rules may result in our expulsion from the festival. I will ensure that my representatives know these rules and will abide by them, especially no smoking, no pets, no alcohol, and no vehicles allowed in Festival area during Festival times. No refunds. No exceptions.

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Application accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date