



2020 Vendor Information

Now in its seventh year, the Wareham Oyster Festival has enjoyed wide support from visitors, vendors, and local businesses. Attendees come from throughout New England, drawn by the prospect of top-quality food offerings and excellent live music with no admission fee. Craft vendors with a nautical theme or gourmet food theme are likely to be most successful. Plan for attendance of approximately 5,000 people. The event is widely publicized among oyster aficionados and foodies, year-round and summer residents of this seaside community, and through such media outlets as the Boston Globe, Edible South Shore magazine, and more.

Fees

| TYPE | FEE | REQUIREMENTS |
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| Crafters | \$100 | Must be hand-made items. Selections made on uniqueness and appeal, nautical theme, past performance. |
| Food vendors | \$100, plus any applicable town fee | Must meet Board of Health requirements. |
| Non-profits and government agencies | \$100 | Must provide IRS Letter of Determination. Limited to five. |
| Independent resellers | \$150 | Selections made on uniqueness and appeal, maritime theme, past performance. |

Appropriate fees must be paid online (a convenience fee will apply), or by check and mailed to:

Wareham Oyster Festival, Inc.
P.O. Box 904
East Wareham, MA 02538

Applicants must register online and submit payment or before Friday, **May 1, 2020**. A limited number of applications will be accepted, at the sole discretion of the event organizers. Preference will be given to local, handcrafted products, locally sourced food, and specialty vendors consistent with the nautical theme. Early applications will be reviewed as they arrive. Refunds for vendors not selected for participation will be mailed by May 22, 2020. Fees from approved vendors are non-refundable.

The festival is **Sunday, May 24, 2020**. Vendors will be set up in designated spaces on Main Street between Center Street and Sawyer Street. Complete instructions, including location assignments and parking directions, will be sent to vendors via e-mail one week prior to the event.

Vendors must be in place by 10 a.m. No vehicles will be permitted on this section of Main Street after 9:30 a.m. The craft portion of the festival ends at 4:30 p.m. Food and music will continue to be available until 5 p.m. or while supplies last. Main Street will be open to traffic at 5 p.m., and all vendor booths, materials, and activities must be contained to the sidewalk or assigned parking space at that time.

Standard spaces accommodate a 10' x 10' tent. If you require a larger space, there will be an additional fee, and you must contact us by email at warehamoyster@gmail.com in advance.

Food vendors are responsible for obtaining any applicable state or local permits. All vendors must comply with the tax laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Town of Wareham Fire and Board of Health Regulations.

The event will occur rain or shine.

Questions should be addressed to the Wareham Oyster Festival at warehamoyster@gmail.com.

Your submittal of an application signifies your intention to comply with all requirements.