

FORT RUCKER FAMILY & MWR VENDOR PROGRAM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Vendors are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Prior participation at Fort Rucker events does not guarantee a vendor space. We strive to provide a unique mix of vendors which causes vendor spaces and certain product line offerings to fill up before the specified deadline. All registration forms and payments must be received prior to confirmation that your space has been secured. No exceptions!

Vendor information is subject to change and all updates will be posted on our website http://rucker.armymwr.com/us/rucker/programs/special-events . Vendor opportunities and a listing of items no longer being accepted can also be found at this website.

Booth Space & Equipment Provided

- All booth spaces are 10' x 10' unless otherwise stated on the contract. Please include the total space you
 will need, to include room to open concession trailer doors, accommodate trailer hitches, etc. If you
 need additional space, please contact the Special Events Coordinator; additional fees may apply based
 on your spacing needs.
- NO equipment is provided to vendors including, but not limited to, tables, chairs, canopies, extension cords, etc.
- Vendors must be set up by the time specified on the contract. Late arrivals may not be allowed to set up.
- Booth location will be assigned on the event day and is at the discretion of the Special Events
 Coordinator. Requests for specific booth locations will be taken into account but cannot be guaranteed due to items offered and location of electrical outlets.

Exclusivity

- With the exception of Fort Rucker DFMWR activities, there is no exclusivity of items being sold at any event.
- The Special Events Coordinator reserves the right to limit number of food vendors and product lines offered (to avoid duplication)

Parking and Vehicle Location Requirements

- There is NO parking on the event field.
- Vehicles can be used on the event field for setup however, must be removed no later than one (1) hour prior to the start of the event, unless otherwise stated in the contract.
- Food vendors may request to leave a concessionaire trailer, refrigeration truck, or other support vehicle on the event field behind their booth space. The Special Events Coordinator reserves the right to limit the number, location, and type of vehicle left on the event field during an event.
- Non-food vendors will not be able to leave a support vehicle on the field during an event.



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Electricity

- To ensure your power requirements are met, fill out the registration form accurately.
- 110v-20amp and limited 110v-30amp, 220-30amp and 220-50amp electricity outlets are provided to booths as stipulated in the contract.
- Vendors requiring 110v-30amp, 220v-30amp, or 220v-50amp electricity will only be allotted one of that outlet types and up to four 110v-20amp outlets.
- Electrical outlets may be up to 50 feet away from a vendor's booth space. Vendors are responsible for bringing sufficient electrical cords to accommodate the distance. All cords must be rated for the voltage/amperage in use.

Food Vendors

- All food vendors must complete the Lyster Army Health Clinic's Preventative Medicine Food Handlers Course to be eligible to sell food on Fort Rucker; the class is free.
- The Basic Food Handlers Course is offered on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Friday of every month at Lyster Army Health Clinic, in room K-108. For more information visit <u>https://lyster.amedd.army.mil/HealthcareServices/SitePages/Preventive%20Medicine.aspx</u> or call them at 255-7930. This class should be taken before the event day.
- The certification you earn is valid for one (1) year. A refresher course (for those whose certification has expired) will be held at each event at the vendor check-in tent; times TBD.
- ServSafe certified vendors do not need to attend this class, but must have a copy of the certification with them at the event.
- Any meat products being sold must be USDA approved.
- Food vendors are responsible for their own food safety compliance. Preventative Medicine will
 inspect food vendors at each event, regardless if the vendor has participated in past Fort Rucker
 events. If a vendor is removed for food safety concerns, a refund will not be given.

<u>Payment</u>

- Cash or checks are acceptable forms of payment (write checks out to IMWRF).
- Post-dated checks are not accepted and cannot be used to secure a vendor space.

<u>Refunds</u>

- Once a contract is signed, refunds are at the discretion of DFMWR.
- Vendors who violate the contract provisions or do not adhere to the Fort Rucker safety regulations will not be issued a refund.
- In the event DFMWR cancels an event in its entirety, refunds will be issued. It takes approximately two (2) weeks for a refund check to be processed.