



# VENDOR APPLICATION

## FOOD VENDOR

2026 RAVENSWOOD ON TAP  
JULY 18-19, Saturday 12pm-10pm & Sunday 12pm-8pm  
**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY June 26, 2026**



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### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Below, please describe the food & beverage items being sold as well as the price range:

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

Business Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Primary Contact Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website, Twitter, Facebook: \_\_\_\_\_

On-site Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

On-site Contact Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

On-Site Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DBACP Account# \_\_\_\_\_

Member of the Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce?     YES     NO





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### FOOD VENDOR INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Food Vendors are required to carry all appropriate insurance and to provide Certificates of Insurance

Insurance Minimums:

Commercial General Liability:	1,000,000.00 Per occurrence
	2,000,000.00 Aggregate
Auto Liability	1,000,000.00
Workman's Comp	500,000.00

Certificate Holder:

City of Chicago  
Department of Business Affairs & Consumer Protection  
121 N LaSalle St, 8th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60602

Additionally Insured:

City of Chicago, City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs & Consumer Protection, City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs & Special Events, Ravenswood On Tap, Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce, Ravenswood Community Council, Armour Security Group, Criterion Productions LLC.

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### 2026 RAVENSWOOD ON TAP FOOD VENDOR CONTRACT

This contract is between \_\_\_\_\_ (“Vendor”) and RAVENSWOOD ON TAP (“Festival”)

#### *Section 1. Grant of Space*

- Upon receipt of the vendor application, signed contract, and payment, Festival may grant Vendor the right to use a designated booth in the Festival (the “Space”) on Event Dates, 2025. The Festival will take place on Ravenswood Ave. between Berteau Ave. & Montrose Ave. Vendor will receive notification of official acceptance via email no later than 14 days prior to the Event. Refund of enclosed payment will be rewarded if application is not accepted. Final site plan, specific vendor space assignments and load-in instructions will be forwarded by Criterion Productions via email no later than 4 days prior to the event.

#### *Section 2. Law and Permits*

- Vendor MUST comply with all relevant local, state, and federal laws and directives.
- Vendor is responsible for obtaining and paying for any and all business licenses, permits, and taxes that are required for operation, including State of Illinois sales taxes.
- Vendor shall provide Festival with a valid IBT# in order to sell merchandise or services at the Festival
- Festival is required by law to provide Illinois Department of Revenue a complete list of vendors participating in the Festival

#### *Section 3. Use of Space & Vendor Conduct*

- Vendor’s use of Space is non-transferable. Vendor may not allow anyone else to use the Space without the express written permission of the Festival
- Festival offers no guarantees or warranties of any kind. Festival occurs rain or shine. No refunds will be provided based on Force Majeure circumstances. Force Majeure circumstances are: fire, flood, earthquake, severe weather, epidemic, act of God; failure or delays of essential services including transportation, water, heating, electric service, etc.; industrial or labor disputes, strikes, lockouts; or any lawful order, decree, ruling, regulation or act of any public authority or sovereign government, government sanctioned embargo, act of war or terrorism; civil disorder, insurrection, coup d’etat or revolution; delay or destruction caused by public carrier; or any other circumstance substantially beyond the Festival or its agents’ and partners’ control.
- The Space is provided “As-Is.” Limited numbers of tables, chairs, tents, canopies, and electrical connections are available to rent from the Festival. Vendors requiring rented equipment or electricity must enclose the required fee and order each item upon application.
- RENTALS: Chairs & Tables will be available for pick up at a central location on Saturday Morning – and MUST be returned and checked in at the same location on Sunday evening.
  - Missing rental equipment costs will be billed to the vendor if not returned and checked in
  - Rented tents will be erected at the vendor Space
  - If orders, an electrical outlet will be available near vendor location; vendor will be required to bring their own extension cord to plug in to outlet (may be up to 75’ away from Vendor Space)



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### Section 3. *Use of Space & Vendor Conduct (cont.)*

- Vendor must weigh down tents or canopies brought independently using sandbags, water barrels, or cement weights with a minimum of 50 pounds per tent or canopy leg. If tents are not weighed down properly, management may choose to remove Vendor (with no refund due to Vendor) and/or charge vendor for cost of additional weights needed (\$150 per weight needed)
- Vendor must keep their merchandise and displays within the allotted boundaries of the Space. Space will be assigned and notification of allotted space will be given by Criterion Productions via email.
- Vendors must be set up and ready for sales & operations by the official opening time of the Festival and must vacate the Festival grounds no later than 3 hours after the closing of the Festival. Vendor MAY NOT Vacate the Festival prior to the official closing time without the express permission of the Festival
- Vendors must remove all products and equipment overnight after Festival hours on Saturday (except for equipment rented from the Festival). It is at the Vendor's sole risk to leave any equipment or product belonging to the Vendor on the Festival grounds overnight and Festival cannot and will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to said products or equipment. There will be at least one security guard patrolling the entire site overnight.
- Vendor must remove their own trash and debris from the Space and properly dispose of recyclable and compostable items in containers provided by the Festival. Vendors must leave their Space trash free and in the same condition as was provided. Vendor will be charged \$150.00 penalty for any debris or trash left on site with photographic evidence.

### Section 4. *Merchandise & Prohibited Items*

- Festival may inspect Vendor merchandise at any time to determine that it is consistent with the merchandise represented in the application. Festival may revoke this contract if Vendor's merchandise is not consistent with its application.
- In accordance with Illinois law, Vendor is prohibited from selling baby food, infant formula, or similar products or any pharmaceuticals, over-the-counter drugs or medical devices. Vendor may only sell cosmetics if Vendor has an identification card identifying Vendor as an authorized representative of the cosmetics manufacturer or distributor.
- Vendor is also prohibited from selling counterfeit items, unlicensed merchandise, guns, ammunition, alcohol, drug paraphernalia, items prohibited by Chicago, Illinois or Federal law or any merchandise that Festival considers racist, discriminatory or offensive.

### Section 5. *Indemnification & Release*

- Vendor will release and will hold harmless Ravenswood on Tap, Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce, Criterion Productions, The City of Chicago and the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, their owners, officers, directors, agents and employees from any and all claims arising from any injuries, losses or damages (whether to person or property) caused by Vendor, Vendor's merchandise, or Vendor's participation in the Festival. Vendor agrees to indemnify Ravenswood on Tap, Greater Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce, Criterion Productions, the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and the City of Chicago from any and all expense arising because of any such claim.



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*Section 6. Advertising*

- Any vendor wishing to advertise must do so at its own expense. Any advertising must be approved in writing by Festival prior to publishing

*Section 7. Causes for Denial of Selling Privileges & Disciplinary Actions*

- Any Vendor who seeks to evade payment, refuses to make payment of the proper rental and space fees or ignores the festival operational guidelines will be denied selling privileges.
- Use of racial or ethnic slurs, profanities, derogatory language and other inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated on the Festival premises and will be cause for denial of selling privileges.
- If Festival learns of written or verbal complaints against a Vendor showing reasonably conclusive evidence that the Vendor has practiced deception by either: (i) displaying or selling merchandise packaged to misrepresent the quality or condition of such merchandise or (ii) giving false information regarding the origin, variety, quality, condition or value of the merchandise, Festival may revoke this contract or take other appropriate action.
- Festival may take appropriate action against any Vendor who fails to comply with relevant laws (federal, state and local), this Vendor contract or other rules established by Festival. Such action may include, but is not limited to, revocation of this contract, permanent denial of selling privileges or other relief deemed necessary by Festival.

Festival may impose additional rules and regulations as it deems necessary and will notify Vendor of these additional rules. Please make a copy of this contract for your records. Signed contracts will remain at the Criterion Productions office.

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Vendor Printed Name

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Vendor Signature

Date



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### FILL IN AND ADD UP THE FOLLOWING FEES

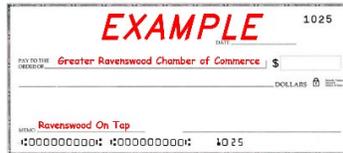
Vendor Space Fee	Optional Rental Equipment Fee	Optional Electric Rental Fee	City of Chicago Fee	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE
\$            +	\$            +	\$            +	\$ 75.00 =	\$            .

**Completed application, signed contract, and payment can be sent to:**

Criterion Productions  
ATTN: Ravenswood On Tap  
2026 W Carroll Ave  
Chicago IL 60612

**Make checks payable to:**

**GREATER RAVENSWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**



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### REQUIRED MATERIALS CHECKLIST

\_\_\_\_\_ Completed vendor application

- Must include filled out applicant information form, fee & rental equipment worksheet, and signed contract
- Submission of an application does NOT automatically guarantee acceptance into the festival. After the application deadline, an email confirmation re your acceptance will be sent out prior to the festival

\_\_\_\_\_ Payment in full for all vendor space fees, equipment and electric rentals fees

- Check or money orders accepted.
- **Make payable to: GREATER RAVENSWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
- Please send to: Criterion Productions  
ATTN: Ravenswood On Tap  
2026 W Carroll Ave  
Chicago IL 60612
- Returned checks will be charged an additional \$45 fee.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Summer Sanitation Certification

- Summer Sanitation Certification Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- **Food Vendor representative must attend a current year Summer Festival Sanitation Training class prior to the festival. Call 312.746.8030 for a schedule of Sanitation Training classes.**
- The person(s) listed on the Summer Sanitation Certificate(s) provided must be present at the booth at all times. Multiple certificates are recommended.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Certificate of Insurance

- Food vendor MUST have general liability insurance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of completed Temporary Food Vendor License Application

- Food Vendor must complete the City of Chicago's Temporary Food Vendor License Application (attached) in its entirety and enclose the completed application with original signature. *(Does not apply if Food Vendor or Food Truck obtains a 180 Day License)*

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of current Health Department Kitchen Inspection

- Food Vendor must have current (dated no earlier than February 2024) health inspection of the kitchen listed on the City application where food is being prepared and/or prepped for the fest.

\_\_\_\_\_ Booth Site Plan

- Food vendor must supply a booth site plan for the Health Department.

\_\_\_\_\_ DBACP Account number: \_\_\_\_\_

- Food Vendor must include their City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (DBACP) Business Account Number on City's Temporary Food Vendor License Application.

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If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:

Becca Peters  
[vendors@criterion.fun](mailto:vendors@criterion.fun)  
773.878.2900 ext 102



# SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

## SPECIAL EVENT - SINGLE EVENT – FOOD VENDOR LICENSE APPLICATION

FEE: \$75.00 PER VENDOR. (Once the application has been processed you will be sent a link to pay for the license on-line.)

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED 21 CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT.

Please type or print clearly. Application will not be approved and will be returned if not completed in its entirety.

### Section 1

#### EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Event \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Event (Range if possible) \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Event \_\_\_\_\_ Hours of Event \_\_\_\_\_

Event Food Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 2

#### VENDOR INFORMATION

Legal Name of Food Vendor \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Food Vendor \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) # (8 digits) \_\_\_\_\_

Dept. of Business Affairs & Consumer Protection ACCOUNT # (up to 6 digits) \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not know your account # please call (312) 74-GOBIZ. If you do not have a City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs & Consumer Protection Account #.

Summer Food Festival Sanitation Certificate # \_\_\_\_\_ (Please attached a copy of the certificate to this application)

For a list of Summer Sanitation Class locations and dates click on: [www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/cdph/provdrs/food\\_safety/svcs/enroll\\_in\\_a\\_foodsanitationcertificationcourse.html](http://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/cdph/provdrs/food_safety/svcs/enroll_in_a_foodsanitationcertificationcourse.html)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Must be signed by an owner or officer) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Provide the full name and complete address of the licensed food establishment to be used for the initial food preparation and the storage and sanitation of the equipment to be used. If you are not using your own facility, attach a **notarized commissary letter** from the 3rd party location owner/operator. If the 3rd Party location is in Chicago, it must be a licensed shared kitchen or have a supplemental shared kitchen license. **Note: NEITHER FOOD OR EQUIPMENT MAY BE STORED IN THE HOME.**

Describe how time/temp requirements (cold foods at 41 degrees F or below, hot foods at 135 degrees F or above) are maintained during the transport of food to the event. (i.e. refrigerated cold storage containers, refrigerated truck).

List where you purchase all your ingredients used to make food at the event. Provide the full name(s) and complete addresses of the food supplier(s) used for the event (wholesalers, distributors, etc.). Retain all receipts for inspection.