



YAKIMA VALLEY FAIR & RODEO

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THE YAKIMA VALLEY FAIR AND RODEO IS NOW ACCEPTING VENDOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2012 EVENT!

Summary of Important Dates:

July 13, 2012 (Friday) – Due date for vendor application and deposit to be received by the YVFR.

August 8, 2012, 9 AM (Wednesday) – Start date and time for early vendor set up.

August 9, 2012, 12 PM noon (Thursday) – Date and time for vendor set up to be completed.

August 8th through August 11th, 2012 (Wednesday through Saturday) – Dates for the YVFR event.

August 12, 2012 (Sunday) – Vendor tear down, YVFR event closed all day.

The Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo (YVFR) will be held again this year at the Country Park and Event Center in Grandview, WA. This will be our 85th Annual Fair and our 12th Rodeo! The fair will be held Wednesday August 8 through Saturday August 11, 2012. You will want to plan on setting up your vendor booth for the entire time of the fair because of all the GREAT events that are going to take place at the fair this year.

In addition to the 4-H livestock shows, exhibits, and other events, there will be a number of fun contests taking place during the fair, and this includes the Friday evening “Diaper Derby”. On Thursday evening there is usually a large crowd that comes to the fair grounds after the Grandview Parade. The Parade has grown to over 100 entries and attracts a lot of spectators!

Our extremely popular Pro-West Rodeo event will be held on Friday (August 10th) and Saturday (August 11th) in the evenings. We are also going to have the Grandview Chamber Car Show from 8 AM to 3 PM on Saturday (8-11-11) again this year. The car show usually brings in over 70 vehicle entries!

The Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo will be held at the Country Park Event Center and fair grounds at 812 Wallace Way in Grandview, Washington, 98930. Take Interstate 82 and then get off the

freeway at Exit 73 for Stover Road. The grounds include a 20 acre fenced facility with a large food court pavilion for dining, multiple restroom locations, and lots of room for outdoor vendor tents!

Commercial booth and food vendor applications will be processed in the order they are received, so send in the enclosed Application/Contract and a check for your deposit as soon as possible! The available vendor space is limited, so please send in your application early! Please sign and return the enclosed YVFR Application/Contract, along with your check or money-order for the deposit, in order to have your application reviewed. Deposits will ONLY be returned when an Application/Contract is NOT accepted by the YVFR. In order for your application to be considered for acceptance, it must be received at the YVFR by 5:00 PM on Monday, July 16, 2012.

After receiving your completed Application/Contract and deposit payment, your Application/Contract and attachments will be reviewed and considered for acceptance. The decision to accept or reject applications will be at the sole discretion of the YVFR. All applications will be processed as they are received by the YVFR with much weight given to those applications that arrive early, are correctly completed, that include a payment for the correct deposit amount, that include complete descriptions of the services provided and/or the items to be sold, and that includes photos or drawings of the vendor's booth or exhibit. You will be notified in writing as to whether or not your application has been accepted.

FOOD VENDORS, PLEASE NOTE: In order to be eligible for approval, applications from food vendors must include a certificate of insurance for one million dollars of liability insurance with the YVFR listed as an additional insured. In addition, food vendors need to note the following with regard to obtaining a temporary food permit:

For information about obtaining a temporary food permit from the Yakima Health District, see the following web site: <http://www.co.yakima.wa.us/health/eh/fstemp.htm>. A temporary food service permit is required for food service at one-time events or celebrations that are open to the public. If you have any questions about the Temporary Food Service Application, please call the Yakima Health District at 509-575-4040 or 1-800-535-5016.

Please also note that for the rodeo event we are encouraging the food vendors to provide the capability to transport food and beverages from their stationary locations in the food court to the rodeo arena area so that concessions can be sold to the rodeo patrons.

Acceptance confirmation letters will be mailed out to notify those vendors that have sent in applications that are accepted by the YVFR. Deposits will NOT be returned once the YVFR has accepted your Application/Contract. Because we do not want the same items being sold by a multiple of vendors, we reserve the right to limit the number of booths and exhibits that are selling the same, or similar, products and/or services.

The YVFR fair event will be open 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM on Wednesday and Thursday, and from 8:00 AM to midnight on Friday and Saturday. It is estimated that about 4,000 people will attend the YVFR event during the four days that the fair is open.

If there is anything that you need or if you have any questions, please feel free to call the Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo at (509) 833-8678, (509) 854-0228, or (509) 882-1197, or send an email to info@yvfair-rodeo.org. The YVFR Commercial Vendor Application/Contract form can be filled out online and printed out for mailing by using the online form located at <http://www.yvfair-rodeo.org>.

Thank you for your interest in attending the 2012 Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo event!!