

# INDOOR APPLICATION GUIDEBOOK

Calgary Stampede
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## PURPOSE OF THE MARKET

The Calgary Stampede Market is an opportunity for Exhibitors from around the world to bring their new innovative and captivating products to a broad and enthusiastic audience. The Market is an opportunity for entrepreneurs to grow their business through building relationships, expanding their customer base, promoting your brand and making their mark in the world of retail!



## **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

In order to make application selections, we require detailed information about your booth(s), products, services and company;

- Please fill out the application form with as much detail as possible
- If the selection team requires clarification on any information provided, they will contact you directly.
- **PHOTOS:** Please submit a minimum of three (3) photos, two (2) of your booth display and one (1) of your product(s). These photos should be the same, or as close to, the exact display of your product(s). Please ensure that these photos highlight your entire booth and product(s) as the selection process is very competitive and the overall display is a main consideration in acceptance. **Artist renderings, drawings, or mock-ups and/or applications submitted without photos will be rejected.** If you are unable to attach the photos, please submit them to <a href="mailto:stampedeexhibits@calgarystampede.com">stampedeexhibits@calgarystampede.com</a>
- Applications are accepted between November 1st January 3rd, anything received after these dates is
  automatically added to our waitlist and you will **ONLY** be contacted if space becomes available that matches our
  booth display standards and our desired product offering

## PAYMENT CATEGORIES

Although Indoor booths are primarily Flat Rate, there are two types of payment categories that your application could be designated as; review the columns below to identify where your application best fits. The selection team will have the final say regarding which category your application falls into. Exhibitors are not allowed to charge an additional/separate credit card transaction fee to the guest as a convenience fee.

#### **FLAT RATE EXHIBITORS**

- Exhibitors wishing to sell any products and/or services that will be used primarily off the park or services that will be performed at a later time
- Exhibitors in this category are required to pay a Flat Rate fee for the booth space equivalent to booth square footage multiplied by the space rate (please find in Indoor Budgeting Guidebook)
- This fee MUST be paid in full by May 2nd, 2025.

#### PERCENTAGE EXHIBITORS

FOOD & BEVERAGE (CUSTOM SERVICES)

- Exhibitors wishing to sell any immediately consumable food or beverages, personalized or customized products/services on a person etc. (Food, beverages, tattoos, piercings, etc.)
- Event payments will be made daily based on the daily sales for each booth space they are licensed for, and each location is required to meet or exceed the booth's allotted minimum guarantee
- Exhibitors shall pay the Calgary Stampede 25% of their gross sales (net of GST) or a minimum rate guarantee, whichever is greater
- Percentage Exhibitors MUST use Clover or Square to record all cash and electronic sales.



## **DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS**

The Calgary Stampede has specific requirements in place to ensure the quality of booth presentation which reflects the overall appeal of The Market so please ensure that you're following these guidelines:

#### **LIGHTING**

- All Exhibitors are required to provide their own booth lighting and ensure their entire booth is well lit
- The space may have ambient lighting and the overhead lighting in the hall may not be set to 100%
   NOTE: Lighting design must be presentable; no industrial lights will be permitted

#### **BOOTH DESIGN**

 When accepting booths, the Calgary Stampede will first look at the physical appearance of the booth you wish to bring by focusing on the 5 Principles for Excellent Indoor Booth Design: DESIGN - THEME - COLOUR - LIGHTING -DISPLAY

#### **FLOORING**

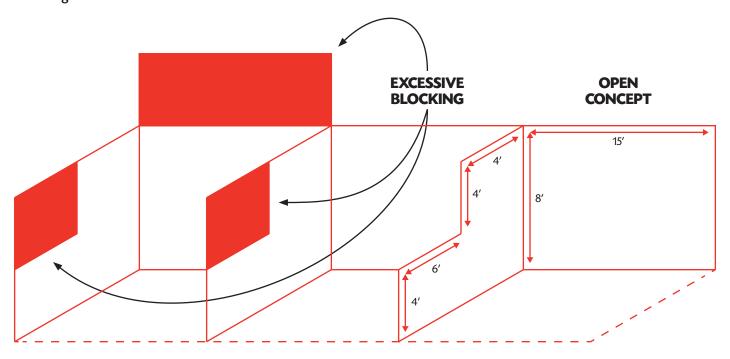
• Exhibitors MUST have the entire booth space floor covered with carpeting or other suitable product

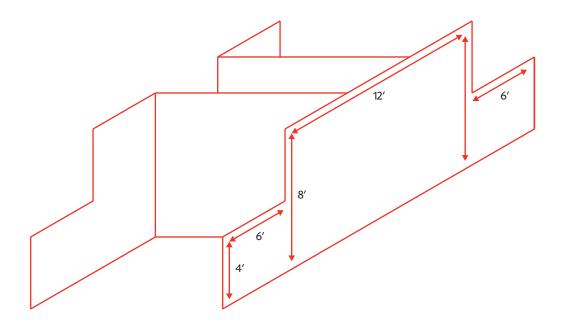


## DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS, CTD.

#### **BOOTH WALLS**

- Exhibitors will be provided 8' high, black drape for the back and 4' drape for sides. Open concept booths are highly recommended as they allow guests to move freely around your booth and they do not obscure sightlines
- Exhibitors are entitled to a reasonable sightline from the aisle, while not interfering or excessively blocking other Exhibitors





## DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS, CTD.

#### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

- Booths must be an open concept design and able to accommodate guests without blocking the aisle or crowding other Exhibitors
- Booth construction must be professional in appearance
  - Must be attractive and colourful
  - New and/or clean flooring (carpet, tile, vinyl, etc), signs, counters etc.
  - Product and storage material MUST be out of sight
  - Covered wheels and other bases of units
  - Booth and surrounding area should be clean and tidy at all times
  - Tables, chairs and carpet can be rented through our preferred rental company. These items are not included in your booth fees



## 5 PRINCIPALS FOR EXCELLENT INDOOR BOOTH DESIGN











## RETAIL EXHIBITORS & GIVEAWAYS

#### STREET TEAMS

- In order to provide exceptional experiences to our guest, the use of "Street Teams" or handing out
  product for marketing purposes only, is not allowed on Stampede Park. This includes product sampling,
  conducting giveaways, distributing handouts or pamphlets, or soliciting donations of any kind.
- Exceptions may be granted for Calgary Stampede sponsors, who may be permitted, pending approval from the Midway Programming Team

#### PRODUCT GIVEAWAYS / PRODUCT SAMPLING

- Product giveaways are only permitted on Stampede Park within rented booth space
- No purchase, donation, demonstration or sign-up is required to enter and receive the prize or giveaway
- Giveaways are intended for advertising purpose; no third-party giveaways are allowed, including coupon
  or ticket promotions
- All giveaways must be approved by the Midway Programming Team
- Product sampling is not permitted on Stampede Park where the Exhibitor is not licensed
- Any food sampling falls under the Alberta Health Services regulations and food handling standards apply (www.albertahealthservice.ca). An AHS representative will be onsite all days during Stampede to ensure all regulations are being followed
- A sampling size is considered between 1-2 oz

#### FUNDRAISING & AWARENESS PROGRAMS

 Raffles, fundraising or solicitation of funds on behalf of a charitable or not-for-profit organization is not permitted. You may hand out information within licensed booth space or sell merchandise products through which net profits can then be funneled to a not-for-profit or charitable group as long as the endeavor is not seen to be fundraising or soliciting



## **EXCLUSIVE PRODUCT SUPPLIERS**

The Calgary Stampede works with our sponsors to determine Exclusive and Official product suppliers. Third-party advertising is not allowed within booth locations, or on booth signage; this is considered advertising, the exception to this rule is with through existing advertising, 'Exclusive' or 'Official' suppliers of the Calgary Stampede. This list is accurate to date but is subject to change. If your application is in conflict with any of the sponsors on the list, your application will not be accepted.

#### BMO BANK OF MONTREAL AND MASTERCARD

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE BANK
OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

#### BMO's products and services include:

- Financial Services which refer to:
- Retail
- Small business
- Commercial
- Corporate

- Debit card
- Credit card
- Online and telephone banking
- Wealth management
- Financial planning
- Mutual fund and brokerage services

Credit card promotions are exclusive to BMO MasterCard

#### **COCA-COLA**

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE SOFT DRINK OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

Coca-Cola's products and services include: Soft drinks, juices, juice drinks, isotonics, energy drinks, ready-to-drink iced teas and coffees, bottled water, and carbonated/ sparkling water.

#### These brands include:

- Coca-Cola Cola
- Diet Coke
- Coke Zero Sugar
- Coca-Cola Life
- Sprite
- Fanta
- Barq's

- Minute Maid
- Fruitopia
- Five Alive
- Nestea
- PowerAde
- Vitaminwater
- Monster Energy Drink
- Canada Dry
- Dasani and more

#### For Third Party Events:

There can be no sampling or pouring rights extended to Coca-Cola competitors. The third party can still have a Coca-Cola competitor as a sponsor, but that sponsorship would be limited to signage and/or hosting – no pouring or sampling of product.



## **EXCLUSIVE PRODUCT SUPPLIERS**

(CONTINUED)

#### **ENMAX**

EXCLUSIVE GENERATOR AND SUPPLIER OF ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS TO THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

Retail energy provider and advertiser, supplier of natural gas and electricity

## GENERAL MOTORS (GMC)

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE VEHICLE OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

Any purchase, lease, finance or promotion of vehicles (new & used) including cars, trucks, vans and SUV's, cross over vehicles, electric vehicles, zero emission vehicles, hybrid vehicles, automotive technology (such as OnStar and similar mutually agreed in-car automotive technologies).

## LABATT (BUDWEISER)

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE BEER OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

Any malt-based beverages must be under the Labatt umbrella of brands.

These brands include:

- Budweiser
- Bud Light
- Michelob Ultra
- Banded Peak
- Stella Artois
- Corona and many more

## LAMMLE'S WESTERN WEAR

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE WESTERN WEAR AND WESTERN GIFTWARE OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE Western giftware category as defined below:

"Western Giftware" means CS branded giftware in the style of the North American West that is currently sold on a retail basis by the Sponsor and/or by CE&S, such as picture frames, candle holders, beverage holders, mugs, wall plaques and salt and pepper shakers and the natural evolution of same; but shall, for greater certainty, exclude any food or beverage product, sporting or athletic goods, furniture, souvenir coins and entertainment products (such as movies, music or similar productions whether such product is recorded digitally or otherwise); and

Western wear category as defined below:

"Western Wear" means men and women's clothing in the style of the North American West that is currently sold on a retail basis by the Sponsor and/or by CE&S, such as cowboy boots, belts, shirts, buckles, jeans, dresses, and hats, but shall, for greater certainty, exclude any trophies or awards (including, without limitation, belt buckles) created for one-off presentation purposes.

#### WESTJET

OFFICIAL AND EXCLUSIVE AIRLINE OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE Exclusive marketing rights partner in the airline industry. The Calgary Stampede will work with affiliate partners of WestJet. The Calgary Stampede is asked to use WestJet as the preferred airline and exclusive when booking travel, however WestJet appreciates competitive airlines need to be utilized based on final destinations.



## **OFFICIAL & PREFERRED SPONSORS**

ALBERTA BOOT	OFFICIAL BOOT OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
ATCO	OFFICIAL SUPPLIER OF MODULAR UNITS OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
BENNETT JONES	OFFICIAL LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
BURNCO	PREFERRED SUPPLIER OF AGGREGATE, READY MIX, ASPHALT AND LANDSCAPE PRODUCTS OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
EAU CLAIRE DISTILLERY	OFFICIAL SUPPLIER IN THE CATEGORY OF WHISKY & GIN FOR BOTH YEAR ROUND & 10 DAY OPERATIONS OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
GREEN DROP	OFFICIAL WEED CONTROL, LAWN CARE SUPPLIER OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
MIKE'S BEVERAGE CO.	PREFERRED READY TO DRINK (RTD) COCKTAIL SUPPLIER OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
MOTT'S CLAMATO	OFFICIAL SUPPLIER OF TOMATO CLAM COCKTAIL OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
POLARIS	OFFICIAL OFF-ROAD VEHICLE OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
RGO OFFICE RODUCTS	PREFERRED SUPPLIER OF OFFICE PRODUCTS THROUGHOUT ALL CALGARY STAMPEDE OFFICES
SMITHBILT HATS INC.	OFFICIAL COWBOY HAT OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
WCD (FORMERLY WEST CANADIAN)	OFFICIAL AND PREFERRED PRINT PARTNER OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE
WRANGLER	EXCLUSIVE MARKETING/ADVERTISER OF WESTERN JEANS AND SHIRTS WITH- IN THE RODO ARENA DURING THE CALGARY STAMPEDE



## SELECTION PROCESS

#### ONCE I'VE SUBMITTED THE APPLICATION, WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Do NOT submit any funds with the application
- After the application deadline of Friday, January 3rd, 2025, we will begin to review all the submitted applications
- Our selection team will evaluate all the applications based on application completeness. The process is highly
  competitive, decisions will be based on criteria including product uniqueness and appeal, professionalism,
  attractive presentation, space availability, availability within a product category, and financial responsibility and
  accountability.

#### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

- 1. Applications will be sorted into groups of similar products and categories, they will then be compared against the other applications in each grouping
- 2. Applications will be selected in each category based on the criteria previously mentioned, which will create the final selection of successful applications
- 3. Exhibitors will then be notified of their application status via email (end of February 2025)
- 4. Exhibitors who are accepted will be issued a License Agreement and accompanying documents

Non-resident Exhibitors need to be aware of requirements to conduct business in Canada and to bring temporary foreign workers into Canada, including work permits, Labour Market Impact Assessment (LMIA's), and temporary importing of commercial goods



## **APPLICATION STATUS**

#### **ACCEPTED WAITLISTED**

#### **NOT ACCEPTED**

Congratulations!

 You will be formally offered a License Agreement for the 2025 Calgary Stampede

No agreement is confirmed until the contract has been signed by the authorized representatives of both parties (the Exhibitor and the Calgary Stampede) and deposit payments (detailed in the **Indoor Budgeting** Guidebook) have been received by the Calgary Stampede.

Your application may be waitlisted for a number of reasons, including but not limited to the following:

- Duplication of same or similar products as another selected Exhibitor
- Applications with same or similar products will be selected based on booth design in the application.
   Consideration is given to not over saturate locations, and to provide unique experiences for our guests
- Lack of Space. Due to the volume of applications, there is not enough available space for the area best suited for your product
- Application received after the deadline of January 3rd, 2025

If waitlisted, you will be notified of your status and only contacted in the event that space becomes available Your application may be considered not acceptable for a number of reasons, including but not limited to the following reasons:

- Photos submitted show: artist renderings, incomplete booths, entire booth display is not visible, mall kiosks, booth structure provided by show management, concession carts, and/or booths not owned by your company
- Pyramid sales, auctions or card table exhibits.
- Brand activation, street teams, brand or product sampling, fundraising or soliciting for a cause or not-for-profit organization
- Products not meeting Canada's Office of Consumer Affairs Codes and Regulations, products not C.S.A approved, or products that infringe upon copyright, patent or trademarked logos and images
- Live animals are not permitted. Service animals are exempt
- Products that conflict with the Calgary Stampede Sponsorship agreements
- Obscene or offensive products (determined by the Calgary Stampede)
- Display, sales or advocacy of items or paraphernalia that promote illegal substances
- Tobacco or cannabis products, including cigars, cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, vapes, pipes
- Weapons of any kind (including, but not limited to guns, knives, swords, spears, arrows), whether real, toy, or replicas
- Presentations promoting gambling in any way
- Exceptions may be considered for the travel and tourism industry that may include gambling as part of an overall package
- Outstanding account balance



## TIMELINE

## ONLINE APPLICATIONS OPEN NOVEMBER 1, 2024

**END OF FEBRUARY, 2025** 

#### **NOTIFICATION OF STATUS**

Exhibitors will receive a notification via email indicating the status of their application

**APRIL 4, 2025** 

NEW FOOD DESCRIPTION
AND PHOTOS

MAY 31, 2025

ADVANCED SERVICE ORDER PRICING ENDS

**JUNE 4, 2025** 

MANDATORY VIRTUAL EXHIBITOR MEETING

**JULY 2, 2025** 

ALL INDOOR EXHIBITORS
MUST BE MOVED IN

Maker Market Exhibitors are exempt

**JANUARY 3, 2025** 

#### **APPLICATIONS DUE**

All applications will be reviewed.

Late applications will be automatically placed on the waitlist and will only be reviewed if space becomes available

**END OF MARCH, 2025** 

## LICENSE AGREEMENTS AND BOOTH DEPOSITS DUE

If accepted, Exhibitors have two (2) weeks to return a signed copy of their agreement and all applicable deposits **MUST** be paid for

**MAY 2, 2025** 

#### **ALL BOOTH FEES DUE**

Remaining fees for Exhibitor booth(s) **MUST** be paid in full

**JUNE 30, 2025** 

**INDOOR MOVE-IN BEGINS** 

**JULY 3, 2025** 

SNEAK-A-PEEK

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