



**Madison County Covered Bridge Festival**  
**2025 Wine Vendor Contract**  
**October 11 & 12, 2025**  
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[www.MadisonCounty.com](http://www.MadisonCounty.com)  
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**Office Use Only**

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Juried \_\_\_\_\_  
 Booth Location \_\_\_\_\_  
 Accepted \_\_\_\_\_  
 Declined \_\_\_\_\_

**Festival Hours are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday, and 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday**

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the Madison County Chamber of Commerce and:

Firm/Organization	Authorized Agent/ Booth Holder		
Daytime Phone	Email Address		
Address	City	State	Zip Code

**Type of Booth you are Bringing:**

(Please list your actual booth size to help with placement)

\_\_\_\_\_ White Pop-up Tent  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_ Size in Feet

\_\_\_\_\_ Building/ Structure  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_ Size in Feet

***The Covered Bridge Festival Committee expects vendor booths to be decorated in the spirit of the fall season***

Note: Vendors will be given a minimum of 2 ft. per side of additional space for inventory and 2 ft at the rear of the space for storage. A maximum of an additional 5 ft on the frontage of your space may be used for display items.

**Cost of Wine Vendor Booth**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$175 for each 10' x 10' space  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 late fee **(if submitted after 5/1/2025)**  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_ \$75 for 110 Electricity  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 for 220 Electricity

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Cost**

- Please fill out a separate contract for each booth. The booths will be juried separately.
- We will notify you of the committee's decision no later than July 1, 2025.
- Quiet generators are encouraged.

Each Vendor shall comply with the following rules and regulations in addition to complying with any and all statutes and ordinances of the State of Iowa, County of Madison and City of Winterset pertinent to the Vendor's participation in the Festival, including, but not limited to, statutes and ordinances affecting gambling, health and sanitation, building, electrical construction, maintenance, and fire safety. Each vendor is responsible for all their own permits and exemptions including sales tax forms. Sales tax in Madison County is 7%. Please attach either a photocopy of your Iowa Sales Tax Permit or list your Iowa Sales Tax Permit Number# on page 2. A list of participating vendors is provided to the Iowa Department of Revenue. The Chamber and the Vendor Committee shall have the right to interpret the following rules and regulations, to amend or add such rules and regulations as it might deem appropriate and to enforce compliance with such rules and regulations. The Vendor Committee reserves the right to refuse rent of space to anyone and to regulate the types of items offered for sale. Any violation of these rules and regulations or of referenced statutes and ordinances shall result in immediate forfeiture of all rights and participation in the Festival, including any moneys deposited to secure participation in the Festival.

Vendor agrees that it will protect, defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Madison County Chamber of Commerce, Covered Bridge Festival Vendor Committee, City of Winterset, Madison County Supervisors, their directors, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all expenses, claims, actions, liabilities, attorney fees, damages and losses of any kind whatsoever, actual or alleged, resulting from or concerned with the participation as a Vendor in the Festival. The Chamber, Vendor Committee, City of Winterset and Madison County Supervisors shall not be liable for any loss or damage to any merchandise or personal property in or about Vendor's booth(s) regardless of the cause of such loss or damage.

- Wine Vendors **must** submit proof of insurance with \$1 million liability coverage with their application.
- **Sample servings of wine only to be offered unless your license is approved by the state and City of Winterset. Each wine vendor must comply with the state regulations in serving wine and have their appropriate certificates on display if required by the state.**
- Vendors **must** submit pictures of their booth and product with the application, which will be used in the jury process. Only approved products will be displayed at the festival.
- **Once a space is sold, it must be occupied by the approved items and operated by the approved Vendor. Subleasing of all or any assigned booth space is strictly prohibited. Vendor cannot allow another party to exhibit, promote in any manner, or take orders in their booth.**
- Specific guidelines for booth set up and removal will be sent to Vendors approx. one month prior to the Festival.
- **NEW: If you are unable to set-up by one hour after your scheduled setup time on Friday, please notify the Chamber Office. If not, your space may be forfeited or relocated, and your entry fee will not be refunded.**
- Vendors may bring vehicles onto the grounds to re-stock booths between 6:00 and 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. Vehicles on the grounds after 8:00 a.m. **will be towed**. Please note that while the gates do not officially open until 9:00 a.m. each day, people will have access to the square and the booths as early as 7:00 a.m.
- Be prepared for inclement weather. There are no provisions if it should rain.
- Must have Iowa sales tax permit, collect and pay 7% sales tax. Temporary permits are no longer issued by the state, you must register at <https://tax.iowa.gov>. A list of participating vendors is provided to the Iowa Department of Revenue.
  - **Be Prepared for inclement weather:** There are no provisions for rain, wind, snow, etc. No Refunds. In the event of severe weather and the festival is cancelled both days, the Covered Bridge Festival Committee will discuss to come up with a solution. You are responsible for securing your own booth(s) and/or product.
- **Booths must remain open from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Saturday and 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Sunday. NO EXCEPTIONS. Vendors must be open and staffed the entire time both days.**
- Tear down **will begin after 3:00 pm on Sunday** and must be completed by 9:00 pm. Please be aware that streets may be open to the through traffic by 6:00 pm on Sunday night. No early teardown allowed. NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED ON SITE UNTIL 4:00 pm.
- The Vendor Committee reserves the right to remove a booth from the Festival if the booth is constructed in an unsafe manner. Vendors will confine their operations to the booth and **shall not** solicit business outside the booth.
- All food handlers must wear food grade gloves while handling food.
- Vendor's booths and the area around them must be kept clean of all refuse, rubbish, and garbage, which will be deposited in the containers provided.
- The Vendor Committee will provide each Vendor with one (1) vehicle pass/ID number that corresponds with their booth number. The pass allows entry of a vehicle through barricaded boundaries of the Festival before and after hours of operation only.
- Please display the number of your vehicle on your dashboard throughout the event. **All vehicles must be parked outside the barricades.** The Vendor booth fee includes two (2) ID's per booth, which permits access to the Festival for both days. Additional passes are available by request.
- **Electric space heaters are NOT allowed** per the City of Winterset.
- Each booth **must have** a fire extinguisher.
- Only service animals will be permitted on Festival grounds. There are to be no pets inside the barricades.
- This is a no smoking event and there will be signs posted at the Festival.

I, the undersigned, dutifully swear that I have thoroughly read this contract. By signing this application, I acknowledge and accept all terms of this contract.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**By being a vendor, you agree to the Festival and Chamber can use Your likeness, business name, and image to promote the current And future festivals.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Check Enclosed**

**Credit Card:** \_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_ MC

Credit Card Number:

\_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3 Number Code from back of Card \_\_\_\_\_

**A credit card convenience fee of 4% will be applied to all transactions**

**Checks postdated or returned unpaid by the bank are subject to a \$25.00 service fee**

**Please list any specific requests:**

**Check List: Items to be included with application:**

- Submit at least 2 photographs (1 photograph of your booth & 1 photograph of your product)
- A listing of the items you plan to sell. Only approved products may be sold at the festival.
- A Copy of Certificate of Insurance with \$1 million liability
- A copy of your Iowa Sales Tax Certificate or indicate the Sales Tax Number# here: \_\_\_\_\_
- Vendor Contract Signed and Dated (This indicates full compliance to terms outlined above)
- Check or Credit Card Information
- Please keep a photocopy of this contract for your records

**No generators will be allowed. Application must be filled out completely to be considered (including water and amperage needs)**

**Please fill out a separate contract for each booth. We will notify you of the committee's decision no later than July 15, 2025.**

**All documents due by May 1, 2025 to:**

Madison County Covered Bridge Festival  
73 Jefferson St. Winterset, IA 50273