



The 2009 Carolinas' Thanksgiving Day Parade

10 A.M. – Noon on Thursday, November 26, 2009

Parade Vendor Information

Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc. welcomes applications from vendors who wish to sell their products along the route of the Carolinas' Thanksgiving Day Parade. The Charlotte City Council has authorized Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc. to charge fees to vendors for their participation and to assign vending space.

We reserve the right to limit the types of products that are sold along the parade route in order to maintain a family-oriented atmosphere and to promote the enjoyment of the parade. Therefore, *only approved food items and souvenir/novelty items* may be sold. Be advised that Snap Pops, Party Snappers or similar items are specifically prohibited.

If you are interested in vending in conjunction with the Carolinas' Thanksgiving Day Parade on Thursday, November 26, 2009, you must submit a Vendor Application and appropriate fees. If your application is approved, Carolinas' Carrousel will issue the necessary permit(s) for you to display at your vending location(s). **Vendor Applications will not be accepted after Friday, October 16, 2009.**

All vendors must provide to the Carrousel office a food menu and/or an inventory of items to be sold on Parade Day.

Food Vendors:

If you are a food vendor, you are required to obtain a permit from the Mecklenburg County Health Department.

All participating permanent Vendors are required to complete questions 1-7 of the Mecklenburg County Environmental Health Temporary Food Establishment Food Vendor Application and/or provide a copy of your last inspection sheet. Please indicate your previous location.

Temporary Food Vendors must pay a \$50 fee for a Food Service Permit. Fee, payable to Mecklenburg County Health Department, must be sent with the Temporary Food Establishment Food Vendor Application form **to the Carrousel office**, along with other required forms.

Food Vendors must be ready and available for a Health Department Inspection at 8:00 A.M. on Parade Day, November 26. *No food preparation may be done before Health Department approval.*

Vending Locations:

Please note: All corners of the Square at Trade and Tryon are excluded areas where no vending may take place. Vehicle parking on sidewalks along the parade route is prohibited.

Vendor applicants must submit a Vendor Location Request form, listing three vending location choices in priority order. Refer to the Vendor Location Map for a plot of the parade route. **Past year's vendors who submitted their requests and fees by the stated deadline will be given priority on retaining their previous location assignments.**

Parade Fees and Payment Schedule:

Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc. is responsible for providing **site only**. Fees are as follows (please pay by check or money order made payable to Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc.):

Primary Vendors Permit (One permit per location)	\$75.00 if purchased <i>prior to 4 P.M.</i> on Friday, October 2 \$100.00 if purchased <i>prior to 4 P.M.</i> on Friday, October 16 \$150.00 if purchased <i>after</i> Friday, October 16
Walking Vendors Permit (One for each station/cart)	\$50.00 if purchased <i>prior to 4 P.M.</i> on Friday, October 2 \$60.00 if purchased <i>prior to 4 P.M.</i> on Friday, October 16 \$75.00 if purchased <i>after</i> Friday, October 16

Vendor Forms:

Submit to Parade Office:

Vendor Application/Checklist

Vendor Permit Fee Schedule Form

Check or money order (payable to Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc.) for Vendor Fees

Vendor Location Request

Menu or Inventory of Items to be Sold at Parade

Mecklenburg County Health Department Application – if applicable

Check or money order for \$50 (payable to Mecklenburg County Health Department) – if applicable

For Vendor Reference:

Vendor Location Map

Submit applications by Friday, October 2, 2009, to secure your preferred location along the parade route.
All applications MUST be submitted by Friday, October 16!

Send all required forms and payments to:

**Parade Vendor Application
Carolinas' Carrousel, Inc.
PO Box 34644
Charlotte, NC 28234**

If you have questions or need additional information, contact the parade office at:

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