

Fair Field Traders Conditions

St. Matthew's Fair Bridgwater Wednesday 25th – Saturday 28th September 2024

The charge for space at the Fair is £5.30 per foot frontage for normal trading. Minimum pitch of 15ft (£72.00). Please note – corner pitches and fire road pitches will be charged an additional £5.

All rent must be paid in advance of the event, there will be no exceptions as Bridgwater Town Council no longer operates a cash office. We will advise successful applicants of fees owing nearer the event.

Once a pitch has been allocated and payment received, no refunds will be given.

All pitches are restricted to stalls of 20 ft. depth (plus a maximum overhang of 4 ft).

No goods shall be hung or displayed in the overhang area.

The sale of dogs, cats, and other small domestic pets is not permitted under any circumstances and will be investigated by our Dog Wardens.

Stalls of greater depth or frontage than that specified in each permit will not be allowed.

Fire breaks where provided are to be maintained clear of obstruction.

Pitch numbers must be displayed prominently on the pitch.

Any space allocated is for personal use for the trade specified. Sub-letting and change of trade is not allowed.

Generators shall not be excessively noisy and shall not exceed 110 volts, except where the installation is protected by an approved Circuit Breaker.

Insulation of all electricity cables must be in perfect condition and all cables must be safely located.

No amplified music or public address of any description shall be used.

No games of any description, "Run outs" or other unacceptable methods of trading will be allowed.

No balloons are to be displayed or sold from stalls.

No sales of tobacco, counterfeit goods, ball bearing guns, laser pens or legal highs shall take place from any stall. Our staff will be actively patrolling stalls and if you are found to be selling such items you will be asked to leave the market and not refunded your pitch fee. No further applications for attendance at the Fair will be considered for a minimum of 5 years.



Stall space must be occupied by 8.00 am on Wednesday, 25th September 2024. Failure to occupy by 8:00am will result in the pitch being re-let.

No vehicles shall be parked anywhere in the Fairfield in such a way as to cause obstruction. Vehicles need to fit within your trading pitch or need to be parked off-site.

The Market Superintendent's decision on the allocation of space and all other matters is final.

All traders must be covered by a Public Liability Insurance Policy, minimum cover of £2 million. Proof of such cover must be produced to the Markets Superintendent on demand, or the space is liable to be re-let. This includes casual traders that turn up on the day.

Bridgwater Town Council has a zero tolerance to drugs. The Council will co-operate with and fully support the Police in combating unlawful drugs at Bridgwater Fair. Any stallholder or member of their staff being found or alleged to be found in possession of unlawful drugs during the Fair, will be summarily removed from the Fair without recompense. No further applications for attendance at the Fair will be considered for a minimum of 5 years.

The trader must provide, and use at all times suitable weights to ensure their stall can withstand wind speeds of up to 30mph. Winds any greater than 23mph and the market is likely to be cancelled and, in any event, it is the traders responsibility to either not erect their stall or to immediately take down their stall should the wind speeds increase whilst trading or setting up.

Single use plastics are not permitted to be used or sold at Bridgwater Fair.

Failure to comply with the above conditions, or the lawful instructions of the Market Superintendent, could result in that trader's stall being removed, without refund of rent. Furthermore, such trader would not be allocated space at future Fairs.

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