

MSU Arts and Craft Show Safe Food Verification Process

Who needs to go through the Food Verification Process?

Any vendor who is selling consumable products, including baked goods, canned goods, tea, seasoning mix, drink mix, or **products for pets to consume**.

Why must I follow this process if I am compliant with legal regulations?

Any vendors providing consumable products must be verified by the MSU Sanitarian, per MSU policies. This process allows us to verify you are compliant with state and federal laws.

What should I provide?

- Michigan Cottage Food Compliance: If you are operating under the Michigan Cottage Food Laws, please provide an example of the label you use that are compliant with Michigan Cottage Food Laws.
- Retail/Commercial Food Licenses: If you have a license that supersedes Michigan Cottage Food Laws, such as Retail Food License from the Michigan Department of Agriculture, you should provide a photo of that license, **ensuring that the license does not expire before the date of the event**.
- Pet Products: Pet products may fall under the Michigan Cottage Food Laws, a Retail Food License, or other licenses. Please provide either labels or licenses.

When should I provide these?

For a smooth process, please provide these at the time of your application. We generally reach out to the MSU Sanitarian 2-4 weeks months before the event to confirm licenses. Vendors are responsible for knowing state and federal regulations before applying.