2019 FAQ for Food Trucks

➢ Do Ai-Kon food vendors need a permit?
  ○ Yes. If a food truck wants to cater to Ai-Kon require both a City of Winnipeg general food truck permit and a downtown permit.
  ○ This is NOT something provided by Ai-Kon but needs to be purchased and registered for by the business.

➢ Does Ai-Kon reserve space for food trucks?
  ○ No. There is no reversed parking provided by Ai-Kon.
  ○ Businesses must familiarize themselves with the legal constraints of the City of Winnipeg to determine a suitable place to park outside the venue. Parking restrictions are indicated by the downtown food truck permit.

➢ Is there a cost to vendors to cater to Ai-Kon?
  ○ No. Ai-Kon does not charge vendors for coming out. We actually would be happy to advertise your attendance.

➢ Can you promote attendance?
  ○ Yes Ai-Kon would be happy to do a social media announcement and include coupons in our registration bags.
  ○ Please note that there are deadlines for both of these options.

➢ Can I offer specials or promos for the event?
  ○ Yes! We encourage it! Specialty items have historically sold well, and discounts for Ai-Kon attendees, volunteers, staff, and celebrity guests are always great! We encourage you to let us know ahead of time if you decide to offer a specialty item.
or Ai-Kon discount so that we can boost your offer(s) on social media or in our reg bags.

➢ Does Ai-Kon limit the number of trucks that can come out?
   ○ Ai-Kon does not set a limit to the number that can come out. Please refer to the downtown food truck permit regarding food vendor restrictions.

➢ Does Ai-Kon set the hours for businesses to come out?
   ○ No. Scheduling is up to the business.

➢ Are there recommended hours?
   ○ Yes, the busiest hours of the day are:
     ■ Friday: noon until 8:00pm
     ■ Saturday: 10:00am to 8:00pm
     ■ Sunday: 11:00am to 4:00pm
     ■ Hours around the dance on Saturday can also be busy which is 10 pm to midnight as there are limited food options available nearby.
   ○ However, remember that scheduling is up to the business, we do not designate hours.

➢ Why do food vendors need to be placed outside?
   ○ Food trucks are not allowed on the venue property as it is private property.
   ○ Businesses with the appropriate downtown food truck permit can set up wherever legally allowed near the event site.