

We respectfully acknowledge and recognize that the work of the SAFMS takes place on the unceded traditional territory of the Secwepemc Peoples.

FESTIVAL POLICIES

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- SEATING in the Main Stage and Blues Stage audience areas have specific sections for festival low back chairs and taller chairs.
- TARPS are only allowed to be placed on the ground in the designated tarp zone in the Main stage audience area. No tarp larger than 8 by 10 feet will be allowed.
- DANCING PROTOCOL: SAFMS requests that patrons to be courteous of each other and attempt not to block the view of those seated. For those who prefer to sit, please be tolerant of those patrons that come to music festivals to listen and enjoy the experience while dancing.
- WATER BOTTLES: SAFMS is working hard to reduce our environmental footprint. Please help with this effort by bringing your own reusable water bottle to refill at one of the free refill stations. If you do bring a single use water bottle on to the site, please consider refilling it to use again.
- LOST CHILDREN: If your child wanders off, they will be sent to the Event Central Building. Please make your children aware of the location of this building, should they require assistance.
- EVENT HOSTS: If you need help or any assistance, event host volunteers wear volunteer shirts and are happy to assist you with any concerns.
- SMOKING AND VAPING: The ROOTSandBLUES festival grounds follow a non-smoking/vaping policy unless a patron is in one of the three designated zones. (see site map)
- COMPOSTING, GARBAGE and RECYCLING: Please pitch in and do your part. Compost, garbage, refundable and recycling receptacles are widely available throughout the site. All collected refundable items help our community groups that volunteer at the festival.

PATRON ACCESSIBILITY POLICIES

SAFMS is committed to meeting the needs of those with disabilities. It prides itself on being small enough to attend to the individual needs of such individuals, while being large enough to provide the amenities they need. SAFMS reviews its practices annually. Any that do not respect and promote the dignity and independence of people with disabilities are modified or removed. The following policies in place:

- **INFORMATION** - SAFMS has a guest/information booth on site where visitors can access one-on-one support from volunteers to provide any necessary communication guidance.
- **NOTICE OF TEMPORARY DISRUPTION** - In the event of a planned or unexpected disruption to services or facilities for people with disabilities (including, but not limited to, on-site facilities, accessible parking, and volunteer assistance), SAFMS will promptly up-date all affected people by announcements from the Main stage and the Barn stage. Complete copies of the Emergency Plan, including all Emergency Response Procedures, are kept at the Guest/Volunteer booth for distribution at the start of the Festival.
- **PARKING** - Due to limited availability, only those patrons with an official accessible pass recognized by the BC Ministry of Transportation will be able to park on 5th St. Individuals with a temporary disability due to injury, etc., are advised to contact the BC Ministry of Transportation to enquire about their eligibility for a parking pass. SAFMS will provide transportation (i.e., gators) to and from the causeway for those passengers with temporary injuries. Please inquire at the Main Gate Guest/Volunteer Booth or West Gate.
- **SERVICE ANIMALS** - SAFMS welcomes people with disabilities who are accompanied by certified service animals.
- **SITE ACCESSIBILITY** - The festival site is mostly a level grassed area with access from two entry gates (West Gate and Main Gate). There are washroom facilities for persons with disabilities.
- **SITE TRANSPORTATION** - ask our volunteers at the gates to contact site transport to assist you.
- **SUPPORT PERSONS** - If an individual with a disability has a paid support worker employed (i.e., Special Service at Home workers, or other paid contractors) and they wish to attend, the support person will get entrance at no charge. All other support persons, i.e., family members and friends, will be charged the same rate as other patrons.