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[2026 RAGBRAI Food and Beverage Licensing and Requirements](#)

(Not sure if you need a food license? Click the Link above for more information)

GETTING A LICENSE

Follow these steps to apply for your food license:

<https://dia.iowa.gov/licenses/food-hotels/apply-food-license>

- Send in your license application by **July 1, 2026**, to get it back in time.
 - Operating without an approved license is subject to a penalty fee equal to the license fee..

RAGBRAI Towns: If you have more than 10 licensed temporary food or beverage vendors setting up in your town- apply for an Event Registration Application by **June 1, 2026**. (apply through the link above)

- Please complete an [Event Coordinator Questionnaire](#) if you have less than 10 vendors and email it to the appropriate Contact (listed below) no later than June 1, 2026.

(Link) [Common Questions and Answers](#)

Information for Towns and Food Vendors:

- [VIDEO: Temporary Food Stand- Licensing Requirements](#)
- [VIDEO: Temporary Food Stand- Operating Requirements](#)
- [Regulations for Temporary Food Establishments](#)

Make sure your food stand is ready with these tools:

- [Properly Equipped Food Stand- Example](#)
- [Handwashing at Temporary Food Stand- Example](#)
- [Temporary Food Establishment Vendor Check List- Print and Use](#)
- [Temporary Food Employee Logbook- Print and Use](#)
- [Temporary Event Coordinator Questionnaire- Submit to your Inspector](#)
- [Non-profit Organization Licensing Chart](#)- Non-profit organizations operating on their premises for one day do not need a food license.
- [Cottage Food sold in food stands during RAGBRAI](#) - Cottage Foods cannot be used as ingredients or sold unpackaged in temporary food stands.

Further questions can be emailed to: **RAGBRAI-Licensing @dia.iowa.gov**

RAGBRAI Counties/Towns

County	Town	Inspection/Licensing Contact
Monona,	Onawa Turin Soldier	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Harrison	Dunlap	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Shelby	Earling Westphalia Harlan Elkhorn	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Audubon	Exira	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Guthrie	Guthrie Center Panora Yale	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Dallas	Perry	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Boone	Boone	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Story	Gilbert Nevada Colo	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Marshall	State Center Marshalltown Green Mountain	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
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Black Hawk	Washburn Gilbertville	Black Hawk County Public Health Department Email: ahahnblackhawkcounty.iowa.gov Office Phone: 319-291-2413
Buchanan	Jesup Independence Winthrop	Black Hawk County Public Health Department Email: ahahnblackhawkcounty.iowa.gov Office Phone: 319-291-2413
Delaware	Manchester Earlville	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
Dubuque	Dyersville Field of Dreams Farley Epworth Centralia	Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing Email: RAGBRAI-Licensing@dia.iowa.gov Phone: 515-381-7800
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