

# Natick Elks Lodge 1425

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# CONTRACT AGREEMENT AND REGULATIONS FOR HALL RENTAL

The Gerald L Slamin Function Hall at the Natick Elks is available to rent for various occasions. A venue just minutes from major highways makes for an ideal place to host events in a central location that is easy to find. With plenty of parking, handicap accessibility, private entrances for guests and caterers, the Natick Elks is an accommodating and versatile option for your event.

#### **RENTAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

# **Time Allotment**

A standard rental includes a 7 hour window with breakdown as follows:

First two hours: Set up for the event

Next four hours: Event

One additional hour: Cleaning and breakdown of event

Additional hours may be purchased if necessary. The rate for additional hours is \$100 per hour **up to 7 days prior** to the event. If additional hours are requested **within 7 days** of the event start time, the price will increase to \$200 per additional hour.

The Natick Elks has a closing time of midnight every day. Members and guests must be vacated from the premises no later than 12:30am. Due to this regulation, Hall rentals must end no later than 11:30pm to allow for one hour of clean-up.

The bar will serve its last drinks of the event thirty minutes before the event end time. There will be no verbal "last call."

# Set-Up

The Natick Elks will provide and set up any tables and chairs prior to the event. This will be discussed with management. We have tablecloths and seat covers available for rent at an additional fee if necessary.

Headcount and room set up details must be submitted no later than 7 days prior to the event.

#### **Decorations**

The use of open flame is not permitted by the Town of Natick and will not be allowed. This includes candles of any sort. Scotch tape, duct tape, nails, tacks, staples, or any other implements causing damage to the walls, ceiling, or floor is strictly prohibited. No decorations smaller than quarters shall be

used (glitter, confetti, etc.). The standard time for decorating an event is two hours prior to the start of the event. If additional time is needed, we may be able to accommodate such requests.

## **Alcohol Policies**

The Natick Elks prohibits any outside alcoholic beverages to be brought onto the property or in the building. Any outside beverages will be confiscated, and person(s) found with any outside alcoholic beverages will be asked to vacate the premises immediately.

We have a zero-tolerance policy for underage drinking, outside beverages, and drugs of any sort. The Natick Elks reserves the right to cancel any function immediately upon any violation of these rules.

#### **Bartender**

We will staff one bartender for your event at no additional cost. If there is a need for more than one bartender we will charge \$50 for each additional bartender. This will be determined by management on a case by case basis depending on various factors including, but not limited to, headcount and event type.

## **Open Bar and Bar Tabs**

Any open bar tab will be discussed with management and bar staff prior to the event. 20% gratuity will be added to any open bar tab. Any private tabs left open without paying will be charged the full amount with 20% gratuity added. The bar accepts cash and card payments and there is an ATM located in the members lounge downstairs if needed.

## **Food Service**

The Natick Elks does not provide on-site catering. The renter will be responsible for providing food, if necessary, for their event. The venue does not provide plates, silverware, napkins etc. Renters will be responsible for providing any additional food service items necessary.

If using a caterer, we require a copy of the ServSafe certification and insurance of chosen caterer. There is an additional \$200 fee if the caterer needs full kitchen use.

Kitchen use may only be applied to catering companies and is not for individual use.

# Clean-Up

Each event must be returned to the state which it was provided. The renter is not responsible for removing the tables, chairs, or anything belonging to the venue. The renter is responsible for removing everything which does not belong to the venue, including but not limited to decorations, food service items, and garbage. If the renter should opt to have the garbage removed by the venue, there is a \$100 additional cost. This must be decided and agreed upon with management before the event.

# **Deposits and Payments**

We require the following in order to book an event:

1- A security deposit of \$150 paid by cash, check, or money order. This will be refunded in full after an inspection of the premises shows that there are no damages and the Hall has been returned to the state in which it was provided. If damages are incurred, the rental party will be billed for such and payment will be taken from the security deposit. After any damages are paid, the remainder of the deposit will be refunded.

- 2- A non-refundable deposit of \$200 which will be deducted from the total rental balance. This can be made by cash, check, money order, or credit card.
- 3- Rental agreement to be filled out and signed by both rental party and management. Final payment will be due no later than 7 days before the event.

# **Cancellation Policy**

The Natick Elks reserves the right to cancel any event due to circumstances outside of any control such as weather. In such circumstances, management will work with renters to find the best solution.

Demand for space rentals in the spring and fall are very high. Please read and understand the Natick Elks policy below to ensure you give the proper notice should you need to cancel your event. All cancellations must be submitted in writing (email preferred). Please email manager@natickelks.org.

- 30 days or more prior to reservation: A full refund will be issued for both the security deposit (\$150) and the facility rental fee (\$200).
- 7 30 days prior to reservation: A full refund of the security deposit (\$150) and HALF the facility rental fee will be returned (\$100). If event is completely paid at time of cancellation, remainder of the rental fee will be returned. Renter will have the option to reschedule.
- Less than 7 days prior to reservation: Facility rental fee will not be refunded (\$200). Remainder of rental will be refunded or transferred to another date. Security deposit will be refunded in full (\$150).
  - In the event of a rental cancellation, renters will be given the option to use the deposit(s) toward another event booked within one (1) calendar year. This will apply to the above mentioned situations only and NOT for Post Reservation.
- Post Reservation: If the facility is reserved and not used, no refund for the facility rental fee will be issued (\$200). Security deposit will be refunded in full (\$150).

I have read and hereby understand the above rules and regulations.		
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