



## **The Annual Dornoch Whisky Festival Returns! Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

The annual Dornoch Whisky Festival will be back to take place between Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2022. The Grand Tasting which you are warmly invited to exhibit at will be held on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of October at The Dornoch Whisky Festival Marquee, in the grounds of the Dornoch Castle Hotel, Castle Street, Dornoch, IV25 3SD

If you are interested in attending as an exhibitor to the Grand Tasting, please could you confirm your place by completing the enclosed form and return it to me by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August so the exhibitor's spaces can be allocated.

### **OPENING TIMES**

The Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting will be open to ticket holders at 1pm and will end promptly at 5pm. We ask all exhibitors to be set up by 12:30pm on the day, with the marquee being open for set up from 10am on the 29<sup>th</sup> of October.

### **THE GRAND TASTING:**

The Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting, as stated above will open to the public at 1pm and close at 5pm. Guests will be provided with a "goodie bag" which will include 20 vouchers to be exchanged for 10ml pours, their own Glencairn glass, information about the products showcased at the Grand Tasting, including RRP & voucher worth. Guests, at the discretion of the licensed bar staff, may also purchase additional vouchers on the day at the Castle Bar.

### **THE VOUCHER SYSTEM ON THE DAY**

The Dornoch Whisky Festival works on a voucher system whereby the ticket holders received 20 vouchers on entry and these can be exchanged for 10ml pours throughout the event. You are requested to set the voucher worth of your own products but we do suggest that at least one product is priced at the 1 voucher mark. Vouchers must be marked off when used and any remaining vouchers at the end of the event cannot be exchanged for guests to take drams away from the event. We take responsible drinking very seriously and expect you will too.

### **SELLING PRODUCTS ON THE DAY**

To ensure a level playing field any stock must be sold at RRP. If you would like to offer deals to the patrons on the day then these must be coordinated first through the Carnegie Whisky Cellars, again to ensure a level playing field. If you do not wish to bring any stock with you, then please get in touch with The Carnegie Whisky Cellars and they can make sure they have the stock you wish to offer at the time.

### **RESPONSIBLE DRINKING**

We take responsible drinking very seriously at the Dornoch Whisky Festival and expect you will too. Due to this, we request that you inform a member of the Dornoch Whisky Festival team of anyone who appears to have consumed what would



reasonably be deemed as too much alcohol. As stated above, marking off a voucher when the dram has been given is of the utmost importance, as is the measurements of 10ml pours only. The Dornoch Whisky Festival is about appreciating, learning and savouring fine spirits, it is not a free pour event. We are determined to keep our event a pleasant and respectable one that has been praised in the past for its atmosphere. We would appreciate it if you could help us maintain this reputation.

### **CHARGES FOR TABLES**

The charge for a table is £120 excluding VAT. This will include a 6ft table which is plainly decorated to allow you to maximise your own branding. You will also receive lunch before the event and the chance to sell your products on the day.

We kindly request that this payment is made by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2022. Should payment not be received for any reason by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2022, we reserve the right to resell the table.

### **PAYMENT**

Payment for all parts of the application form must be received by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2022. Cheques should be made payable to Dornoch Whisky Festival. Or via Bank Transfer: Sort Code: 80-22-60 and Account Number: 16092568. Ref: Company name or if different please note on your form when submitting the payment.

### **CANCELLATIONS & CHANGES**

In the unlikely event that the Dornoch Whisky Festival is cancelled, you will be refunded the full amount of any payments made. In the event whereby your company can no longer attend, you will receive a full refund if we are informed within 60 days of the festival start date. It is unlikely that there will be any changes to the timings and certainly no changes to the dates of the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting; if there are then we will inform you at the earliest stage.

### **DATES OF IMPORTANCE**

Below are some dates by which we will require further information from you:

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022:** Return of this form as your acceptance of attending the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022:** Payment for the exhibitor's space at the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting due.

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022:** A list of bottlings, their RRP & their voucher worth that you will showcase at the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022:** A list of the exhibitors attending and any dietary or special requirements – We will send this out in due course.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022:** Return of the licencing agreement that states you are either the holder of a personal licence or have complied with the requirement for staff training – We will send this out in due course.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the provided details enclosed.



**By signing below, you are confirming your understanding of the above, will be attending the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting 2022 and have read and agreed to the Terms & Conditions outlined below.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_



# Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting Exhibitor Terms and Conditions

These are the standard terms and conditions of the Dornoch Whisky Festival, which is registered at: C/O: Royal Dornoch Golf Club, Golf Road, Dornoch, IV25 3LW. These terms and conditions are for exhibitors attending the Dornoch Whisky Festival Grand Tasting, 2022.

## 1. Event Booking Details

1.1 All bookings will be regarded as provisional until a signed copy of the Dornoch Whisky Festival exhibitors form is returned. The Dornoch Whisky Festival is not under any obligation to continue holding provisional bookings beyond the closure date, of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of August 2022.

## 2. Price & Payment

2.1 All prices quoted by the Dornoch Whisky Festival must be paid by the stated date of Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022. The exhibitor will reasonably consider any errors or omissions or where an increase is caused by a change in the circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Dornoch Whisky Festival.

2.2 Any query arising from an invoice must be notified to the Dornoch Whisky Festival in writing by the exhibitor within 10 working days of the date of the invoice receipt. Failure to comply will render the full invoice payable on the due date.

2.3 It is strictly the responsibility of the representative of the exhibitor confirming the booking to inform all relevant parties of the payment terms, as set out by the Dornoch Whisky Festival.

2.4 Balance Due – the balance of the total fee shall be payable by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2022.

2.5 Late Bookings – Should a booking be made within 20 working days of the event date, payment in full will be required to secure the event. This will only be provided if there is space at the event.

2.6 Methods of Payment:

Bank transfer:

Bank: Bank of Scotland Sort Code: 80-22-60 Account No: 16092568

The exhibitor should inform the Dornoch Whisky Festival in writing (preferably by email) of any bank transfers.

## 3. Cancellation

3.1 This clause applies to the following: where the exhibitor (a) cancels their attendance to the event.



**3.2 Should attendance to the event be cancelled by the exhibitor, the following cancellation charges will apply and extend to the total charge by the Dornoch Whisky Festival.**

- **More than 60 days prior to the event: Nil**
- **41 to 60 days prior to the event: 50%**
- **32 to 40 days prior to the event: 80%**
- **31 days or less prior to the event: 100%**
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**3.3 All cancellations must be received in writing from the exhibitor to the Dornoch Whisky Festival and will be deemed to take effect from the date of receipt.**

**3.4 Any postponements of confirmed and contracted business or any Public Health Emergency declared by the UK government or UK public authority that directly affects the operation of the event will be considered as a cancellation in accordance with the above cancellation clauses. However, provided the revised event date is agreed (subject to availability) and takes place within 12 months of the original event date, payments received by Dornoch Whisky Festival from the exhibitor shall form a credit towards the future event.**

## **4. Licencing**

**It is a requirement of the Dornoch Whisky Festival for this event that all sales of alcohol on these premises must be authorised, generally or specifically, by the holder of a personal licence with specific responsibility for the trade stand at which the sale is made. All staff selling or serving alcohol must be either the holder of a personal licence or has complied with the requirement for staff training.**

## **5. Liability**

**Neither the Dornoch Whisky Festival or its employees or volunteers shall be liable for any damage, loss, delay, or expenses caused to the exhibitor, its employees, agents, licensees or invitees or any other persons attending the event except insofar as it results from the direct negligence of Dornoch Whisky Festival or breach of contract.**

## **6. Force Majeure**

**Dornoch Whisky Festival shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform any of its obligations if the delay or failure results from events or circumstances outside its reasonable control, including but not limited to acts of God (other than one arising from or related to directly or indirectly from volcanic ash), strikes, lockouts, pandemics, accidents, war, fire, breakdown of plant or machinery, and Dornoch Whisky Festival shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of its obligations.**



## **7. Severance**

If any term or provision of these Terms and Conditions is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction such provision shall be severed and the remainder of the provisions hereof shall continue in full force and effect as if these Terms and Conditions had been agreed with the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision eliminated.

## **8. Governing Law**

These Terms and Conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of Scotland and the parties hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Scottish courts.