

Hello!

Thank you for downloading our Frequently Asked Questions.

We've carefully reviewed all your past inquiries, and here are the answers to the most frequently asked email questions as of January:

WWW.LOBSTERFEST.COM HAS MOST OF THE ANSWERS. TRAFFIC CAN BE BAD AT PEAK HOURS. WE DO NOT HAVE THE STAFF TO ANSWER PHONE CALLS. SORRY, NO PETS ALLOWED, ONLY TRAINED SERVICE DOGS. NO, YOUR SIX FOOT BOA CONSTRICTOR OR YOUR LARGE IGUANA ARE NOT SERVICE ANIMALS.

IMPORTANT. THERE ARE NEW DIRECTIONS FOR TRAFFIC AND PARKING AT THE END OF THIS FAQ. AVOID HARBOR BLVD. AND FOLLOW OUR SUGGESTIONS.

The dates and times of the Port of Los Angeles Lobster Festival are: July 14, 5-11 pm; July 15, 11 am -11pm; July 16, 11 am -7 pm. GATES CLOSE AND NO ONE IS ADMITTED ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FESTIVAL ENDS. That is 10 pm on Friday and Saturday and 6 pm on Sunday.

The public information line with detailed answers to most questions is 310-798-7478. Please call the information line first before calling local businesses or The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce. EMAIL IS THE BEST WAY TO REACH US. FOLLOW US ON TWITTER OR FRIEND US ON FACEBOOK IS THE BEST WAY TO GET BREAKING NEWS AND TRAFFIC UPDATES DURING FESTIVAL HOURS.

Admission is \$12.00 for adults, kids under 12 are admitted free. ADMISSION DOES NOT INCLUDE A LOBSTER MEAL. There is no need to purchase admission or meal tickets in advance, and unlike other lobster festivals we do not charge more for purchases at the festival. Credit cards are accepted at the front ticket office. CASH ONLY AT THE BAR. Active military, retired military and veterans with a VA card are admitted free. This discount only applies to the service member, not spouses or other family members or their guests.

No, the price of the meal is not included in the admission. And, no it's not "all you can eat". And, yes, it is an incredible bargain. We serve fresh Maine lobsters flown in live daily because local lobsters are out of season.

San Pedro Fish Markets' lobster meal price is \$25.00 for a 1.25 pound (average precooked weight) steamed Maine Lobster Meal with cole slaw, sweet bread roll and real butter topping and spiced potatoes. To assure top quality, meals are prepared and sold by the seafood experts at San Pedro Fish Markets. You can still add an extra lobster for only \$15.00. If you have any questions about your meal, please direct them to the Fish Market staff. The festival does not sell nor is responsible for your meal.

The children's area has increased in size and tickets for the rides and games may be purchased from the individual vendors. Be sure and check the height restrictions and footwear restrictions before purchasing your ride tickets. Kids under 12 are admitted free so there is no way that the games and rides can be included too. The rides and games vendors do not accept credit cards, but there are several ATM machines inside the festival grounds and two at the entrance.

Parking and shuttle service from the remote lots is free. Parking in the World Cruise Ship terminal costs \$2.00 per hour and the first hour is free. This is adjacent to the festival site and is a designated park and walk location.

The busiest day is Sunday. Since we cannot anticipate demand in advance, there is a remote chance that lobster supplies may run low beginning late Sunday afternoon. Our advice is to arrive early. Gates close and no one will be admitted one hour before the festival ends each day. That is 10 pm on Friday and Saturday and 6 pm on Sunday.

If San Pedro Fish Markets runs out of live Maine lobsters they will do their best to provide an equivalent dinner of either frozen Maine or Pacific lobsters. Kids do not eat for free. (You would not believe how many times we get asked that question.)

No extra charge to enjoy the music or other performers.

Dining is family style in large eating tents and at other tables around the venue. We will have over 3,000 places at the tables in the site to eat. After enjoying your meal please think of the next person and dump your tray in one of the nearby trash containers.

There are lots of other things to eat besides lobster. After eating, enjoy the free entertainment in the stage area. Bring a parasol or sun hat, shade is at a premium. Think of it as an “authentic Coachella experience” if Coachella had a 900’ battleship as a backdrop.

We've done our best to make this event friendly for challenged guests. There are handicapped restrooms and 100 parking places reserved close to the entrance for those who need extra help and an ADA van for those who park in the remote lot. The festival cannot supply wheelchairs. IN THE RARE EVENT THAT THE CRUISE TERMINAL LOT IS FULL THERE IS HANDICAPPED PARKING AT THE REMOTE LOTS AT 22ND ST. WE WILL HAVE AT LEAST ONE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE SHUTTLE RUNNING.

IF YOU HAVE EMAILED US AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED A REPLY, PLEASE CHECK YOUR BULK MAIL OR SPAM FILTERS. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE FOR AOL ACCOUNTS. VENDORS INQUIRING ABOUT BOOTHS SHOULD INCLUDE THEIR TYPE OF WARE AND NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER IN THEIR EMAIL INQUIRY. WE WILL RESPOND WITH A LINK WHERE YOU CAN DOWNLOAD APPLICATION FORMS.

Bring sunscreen.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC INFORMATION

This will be a busy summer weekend in San Pedro so your goal is to stay off of Harbor Blvd and use the routes to parking described below:

IMPORTANT PARKING NEWS: The World Cruise Ship Terminal parking lot is now paid parking and costs \$2.00 per hour (first hour is free). This is immediately adjacent to the festival site and is a park and walk location. **The festival does not control or manage the Cruise Ship lot. We recommend that you park at one of our free remote lots that we do control.** If you don't mind a short walk, then we suggest you use the paid parking garage at 6th & Centre Streets. You can also take a rubber tire trolley, actually it's pretty neat, from the garage or the Ports O' Call parking lot.

Plenty of free parking and shuttle service will be available in the area of 22nd St. and Miner. FOR FREE PARKING USE THE GAFFEY ST. EXIT OFF THE 110 FREEWAY, TURN LEFT AND PROCEED TO 22ND STREET, TURN LEFT AGAIN AND GO STRAIGHT UNTIL YOU COME TO MINER ST. AT THAT POINT YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO A PARKING LOT.

For FREE Parking set your car or smartphone guidance to 2293 South Miner Street, San Pedro 90731. DOT will direct you as soon as you hit the intersection of 22nd and Miner.

For PAID Parking (limited to about 1,100 cars) set your car or smartphone guidance to 100 Swinford Street, San Pedro 90731 or to the intersection of 6th St. and Centre St. in San Pedro. **DO NOT SET YOUR GUIDANCE SYSTEM TO THE USS IOWA.**

Do not attempt to park using the First Street entrance. During the festival this is our service entrance and you will be turned away and doomed to circle for days in busy traffic on Harbor Blvd.

We will be posting traffic and parking updates via Twitter and Facebook during festival hours. You can sign up to friend or follow us at www.lobsterfest.com.

The last shuttles to the remote free parking lots leave a half hour after closing. The Red Cars are out of service.

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