

JULY 31 - AUGUST 1, 2025 | MONTEREY, CA

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2025 EXHIBITOR CHECKLIST

		COMPLETE	
March	 Book your <u>hotel reservations</u>, rooms sell out quickly. Begin <u>registering conference booth badges</u>; they must be registered in advance and picked up on-site at registration. 	Right Away Right Away	
April	 Subscribe to the Exhibitor Central Blog and receive important updates, deadlines, and tips for exhibiting. Review exhibitor setup information located in the exhibitor service kit. 	Right Away Right Away	
May	 Update the directory listing; log in to your <u>Exhibitor Portal</u> for online and mobile directory listings (primary booth contacts log in using their email address). Maximize your booth's potential with our <u>promotional tools</u> that come with your booth (attendee list, press releases, e-signatures etc). Review booth <u>display guidelines</u> for rules and regulations required as an exhibitor. Determine your sampling dishes for the show to enter the <u>Chef's Choice Award</u> and be recognized for your culinary efforts. 	Right Away Right Away Right Away Right Away	
June	 <u>Housing deadline</u>. Rooms without a name or credit card will be canceled. Last day to cancel rooms, a non-refundable deposit will be charged to each confirmed room. Place <u>booth orders with approved vendors</u> (furniture, electric, catering, insurance, etc.) to receive discount pricing. <u>Advance Shipments</u> will begin at the Tricord warehouse (until July 24) Train and prepare booth staff to effectively engage with attendees and impress the <u>Best of Show Judges</u>. Access the <u>attendee list</u> and market to prospective customers (log into IFPA account) Download the Foodservice Conference Mobile App and have information at your fingertips 	June 6 Right Away June 23 Right Away Anytime Anytime	
July	 Early Registration Deadline - Last day to register for discount badge rates (registration not available onsite, only badge pick on-site) Housing changes must be made directly with your hotel (names, dates, etc.). Booth Order Discount Deadline. Last day to receive discount orders with approved vendors for furniture, electricity, catering, insurance, etc. Last day Tricord will accept Advance Shipments at the advance warehouse site. Direct Shipments including Perishables will be accepted at the expo until August 1, provide your driver with a delivery map and ensure all your items are labeled. 	July 2 July 8 July 9 July 24 July 30	
August	 Follow up on your leads! <u>Download the attendee list</u> and keep the conversations going long after the show. <u>Submit the 2026 booth application</u> starting Thursday, August 7 at 11 a.m. EDT (booth assignments are done in order applications/payments are received). 	Right Away Aug. 7	
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Contact the expo team if you have any questions.

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