

# TAILGATE MANUAL



## NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY 2025

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## Pricing

Available for Purchase		Description		Amount
Tailgate Space (excluding Homecoming and Specialty Game)		Single tailgate space located on map, excludes Homecoming and Specialty Games.		\$200
Specialty Game		Virginia State University		\$250
“Season FIVE Pack”		One Tailgate Space for each NSU Home Football Game includes Homecoming.		\$1,000
RV Space (excluding Homecoming and Specialty Game)		Single RV space located on map, excludes Homecoming and Specialty Games.		\$250
RV Space-Specialty Game		Virginia State University		\$275
RV Space Homecoming		Single RV space located on map, Homecoming		\$375
“RV Season FIVE Pack”		RV space for each NSU Home Football Game, includes Homecoming.		\$1,250.00
Homecoming: October 25, 2025				
Tailgate Space-Main Field (Homecoming only)		Single tailgate space located on map.		\$300
Tailgate Space-Lot 3 (Homecoming only)		Single tailgate space located on map.		\$275
RV Space (Homecoming only)		Single RV space located on map		\$375
Public Parking Passes				
Public Parking Passes (Spaces and parking passes are available only on a first come, first serve basis)		Public parking passes can be purchased at the NSU Ticket Center during the week leading up to game day. Season parking passes are also available for purchase for \$100.00. (ADVANCE Purchase Only – Parking will not be sold on game day)		\$20
Tailgating spaces include two game tickets and one parking space pass. RV Tailgating Spaces include two game tickets.				
HOME FOOTBALL GAME SCHEDULE				
8/28 vs Towson (7 PM)	9/6 vs Virginia State (6 PM)	9/20 vs Sacred Heart (4 PM)	10/25 vs SC State University (2 PM) Homecoming	11/15 vs Morgan State (12pm)

## Contact Information

To purchase a tailgating space, please email this form with payment to: [nsuspartans@nsu.edu](mailto:nsuspartans@nsu.edu) or submit it in person at the Athletics Administration Office (Joseph Echols Memorial Hall Rm 160).

Please make checks or money orders payable to: **Norfolk State University**  
with **Athletics Tailgate** written in the Memo.

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***Reservations will be accepted Monday through Friday, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM***

To view our tailgating policies and terms agreement, please visit [www.nsuspartans.com](http://www.nsuspartans.com) and follow the links found under “TAILGATING”.

### **2025 Norfolk State University Tailgating Policies**

**Tailgating** will open **four (4) hours prior to kick-off unless otherwise communicated**, the listed times can be found on the schedule (included in Pricing). Please note that the stadium gates open two hours prior to kick-off. Tailgating will be shut down **two hours after the conclusion of the game unless otherwise communicated**.

**Tailgating** is defined by Norfolk State University as parking in a designated location or area and/or setting up non-permanent items (i.e. tents, tables, chairs) to consume food and beverages prior to a home football game.

**Tailgating Areas** are defined on the maps.

**Tailgating Times** – Designated Tailgating areas will open four hours prior to each home game to allow for set-up and drop off. Any vehicles used for dropping off persons or equipment must be immediately removed from the tailgating area. No vehicles will be permitted to drop off on any tailgating lot two hours prior to game time, no exceptions.

**Site Visits** - Site visits to view tailgating spots prior to purchase are optional and are solely the customer's responsibility. Norfolk State Athletics Representatives are not required to attend any site visits but are available to answer any questions the customer may have prior to the purchase of their tailgating spot.

**Admittance** – All individuals entering the tailgating area are required to have a game ticket listed with the correct date. Wristbands will be distributed to those inside the tailgating area at any of the entry points to the designated tailgating areas.

**Conduct** – Individuals attending football games at Norfolk State University are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner. Individuals acting in a disruptive, disrespectful, or disorderly manner will be removed from the premises or may be subject to a citation.

**Consumption of Alcohol** is only permitted in the ***designated tailgating areas***. No alcohol may be sold. The distribution of alcohol to underage minors is both illegal in the Commonwealth of Virginia and prohibited on Norfolk State University's campus. **NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY DOES NOT SANCTION THE CONSUMPTION OR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY UNDERAGE PERSONS. NOR DOES IT SANCTION THE VIOLATION OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS.**

**Consumption and preparation of food** is only permitted in the areas listed previously as designated tailgating areas. No food may be sold. Propane and charcoal grills are the only permissible sources of heat cooking. Burned coals and/or residue from cooking cannot make contact with the paved surfaces and/or

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grass areas. Hot coals must be completely extinguished with water prior to leaving the tailgating area. Any open flames, including fire pits, are prohibited.

**Fire Extinguisher** – All individuals are required to have a mini fire extinguisher available for use, in case of an emergency, at their site. The extinguisher must be readily accessible.

**Trash** – All groups and individuals participating in tailgating are responsible for the proper disposal of their trash, charcoal, and any other debris in their site. Proper trash receptacles will be readily available in each of the tailgating areas. Failure to properly dispose of trash can result in the revocation of tailgating rights to the purchaser of the tailgating spot.

**Solicitation** – No sales activities (admission wristbands, food, beverages, and/or clothing/paraphernalia, etc.) are permitted in the tailgating areas or on campus unless authorized by the Norfolk State University Office of Auxiliary Services. Retail sales, resale of goods, and vending of any kind are strictly prohibited within all Norfolk State University tailgating areas.

**Structures** – No permanent or semi-permanent structures may be constructed or placed on University grounds for any activity. Metal stakes, or similar items, are prohibited from puncturing the ground surface in the tailgating areas at any time, sandbags/ water barrels are permitted for stabilization. ***All tents must be less than 600 square feet in size (20x30). No tents over this size are permitted for construction on the tailgating area. Any tents put up over this threshold will be removed immediately.***

**Driving Lane** – Driving is permitted on the band practice field tailgating area (when approved by Athletic and university staff), and the designated driving lanes can be found on the maps. Tailgaters are allowed to drive on the grass, but **only** in the designated driving lanes. ***Tailgaters may park their vehicle temporarily next to their own purchased tailgating area for drop-off and pick-up of tailgating equipment ONLY.***

Tailgaters are *required* to remove their vehicle from the tailgating **immediately after drop-off** using only the marked lanes. Designated equipment drop off times will be communicated to tailgaters in the event of any changes. Tailgaters are prohibited from moving any barricades, barriers, or Norfolk State University equipment at any time. Tailgaters are prohibited from obstructing the driving lane at any point in time, whether it is their vehicle or personal equipment. Due to public safety issues, vehicles may be restricted from the tailgate area prior to the 2 hour kick-off time window. In the event that the tailgate area becomes too populated, vehicles may be restricted from the area at the discretion of the Norfolk State University athletics staff. The policy in which **no vehicles are permitted on the tailgating area within 2 hours prior to kick-off is not flexible and will be strictly enforced at each event.**

**Tailgating Ticket Policy** – All tailgaters *must* have a game-ticket to enter the tailgating zones, including passengers in any vehicles used to enter the tailgating zones. Failure to present a valid game ticket to a representative at the entrance of these gates will result in the denial of entry for the individual. Game tickets can be purchased at the Norfolk State University Ticket Center located in front of Echols Hall. **Game tickets can be purchased the week leading up to game-day, as well as game-day itself. We do urge those who wish to tailgate to purchase their game-tickets prior to Saturday morning to ensure that they have the game-ticket in their possession at the start of tailgating.**

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**Additional Parking** – Additional parking passes can be purchased at the ticket center located across the street from Echols Hall. These additional parking passes provide a first come, first serve access to the public parking lots on Corprew Avenue.

**Fines** - Any violation of these guidelines will result in damages and fees charged to the credit card on file or invoiced to the reservation holder, cancellation of future tailgating privileges, forfeiture of prepaid expenses for the season, and a one-year suspension from tailgating activities. For example, a \$500 stage fee will be charged if a stage is installed without proper approval; damages to the irrigation system from improper structure use will be assessed and billed; and a cleaning fee will apply for failure to discard trash or remove equipment.

**Rentals** - The reservation holder or their representative must be present for all contracted equipment deliveries, including tents, grills, and similar items—to ensure compliance with the approved setup times, and is responsible for providing vendors with reservation details and space assignments; equipment and rentals may not be installed in designated tailgate areas before the authorized time.

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