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Exhibitors Manual





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Dear Exhibitors,

Thank you for participating in Vegetarian Food Asia 2024 which will take place from 8-10 March 2024 in Hong Kong. To prepare your stand and to make your participation as effective as possible, we advise you to read this carefully.

The Manual has been split into easy-to-use sections dependent on whether you have taken a Standard Booth or Raw Space Only, please ensure you read your relevant section carefully in conjunction with the Exhibition Information & General Information to ensure you have a smooth preparation for the Exhibition.

At the last page of the manual, there is a summary of checklist of order forms with deadline dates for a quick reminder of everything you need to do. There are a number of forms, but please take the time to go through them – returning the relevant forms by the deadlines, to ensure your instructions can be carried out efficiently and in good time.

We would like to remind you that this manual does not replace our personal service. If you need any advice or assistance please contact a member of the exhibition team, we will be happy to help you in any way.

We all look forward to working with you over the next few months and wish you success in the Vegetarian Food Asia 2024!



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3. Exhibition Information & Schedule

3.1 EXHIBITION INFORMATION

Vegetarian Food Asia 2024		
Event Date	8 – 10 March, 2024 (Fri - Sun)	
Organizer	Baobab Tree Event Management Company Limited	
Venue	Hall 3FG, Level 3, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre, Wan Chai, Hong Kong	

3.2 MOVE-IN SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Programme
6 March, 2024	08:00 - 20:00	Official Contractor Move-in
(Wed)	14:00 - 20:00	Raw Space Contractor Move-in
	09:00 - 20:00	Official Contractor Move-in
7 March, 2024	11:00 - 19:00	Exhibitor Move-In
(Thu)	19:00 - 20:00	Final Venue Cleaning
	All main constructions 19:00 exhibitor move-i	must be completed by 7 March n

The schedule is tentative and subject to change

3.3 EXHIBITION OPENING HOURS

Date	Date Exhibition Opening Hours		Visitor Registration
8 – 9 March, 2024 (Fri - Sat)	11:00 - 20:00	09:30 - 20:00	10:30 - 19:30
10 March, 2024 (Sun)	11:00 - 19:00	09:30 - 20:00	10:30 - 18:30
Admission	ii) Open to public iii) Admission to be	Free Admission to trade buyers Open to public by ticket admission (HKD25 per visitor) Admission to be waived for seniors aged 60 or above, children aged under 11	

3.4 MOVE-OUT SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Programme
	19:00 - 20:00	Moving out of Exhibits
10 March, 2024 (Sun)	20:00 - 23:00	Booth Dismantling & Materials Disposal
(301)	All booths must be pro	perly dismantled and laid down by 23:00

Remarks

- Only exhibitors, working staff, appointed contractors and service providers with valid entrance badges are allowed to enter the venue during the move-in period. All of exhibitors should have settled booth payment in full before move-in. Organizer reserves the right to refuse exhibitors with underpayment.
- All stands must be completed and exhibits in place by 21:00 on 7 March, 2024 (Thu)
- Exhibitors will be admitted to the exhibition venue earlier according to the schedule above. During the exhibition period, exhibitors are permitted to remain in the exhibition venue to serve their stand for 30 minutes after the exhibition closes. No visitors will be admitted after the show closing. Exhibitors who wish to stay later must obtain written permission from the Organizer, prior to close, for security and venue lighting to be arranged.
- Exhibitors must clear all exhibits from the exhibition venue by 20:00 on the same day of show ends. Only exhibitors, working staff, appointed contractors and service providers with valid entrance badges are allowed to enter the venue during the move-out period.

3.5 EXHIBITION ENQUIRIES

Operations/ Logistics/ Technical Management

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Ms. Christine LAI	Tel: +852 3520 3617

4. CONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, VENUE INFORMATION & USEFUL LINKS

4.1 OFFICIAL STAND CONTRACTOR

AMC (Exhibits) Limited is a leading Asian-based event and exhibition service provider, which provides professional, high-quality service to our clients specializing in planning for events, exhibitions, and conferences. We offer customized, creative, and cost-effective solutions to our clients, as well as keen to achieve superior results and provide a variety of services beyond expectations.

Our extensive network in project management, in-house design expertise, enthusiastic working team and well-equipped production plants & warehouse facilities, have uniquely granted us as a perfect combination for your customized solutions.

We provide operative and serviceable alternatives for our clients, from specialized needs to comprehensive turnkey services,

- Event planning & management
- Design concept development
- Production of construction technical drawings
- Fabrication and Installation
- Pavilion, exhibition booth, road show, seasonal decoration
- Engineering with relevant authority certification and approvals
- On-site management
- Dismantling, storage and after service

AMC Exhibits Ltd.

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Address:	Unit AB, 8th Floor, Tung Kin Factory Building, 196-202 Tsat Tsz Mui Road, North		
Address.	Point, Hong Kong		

4.2 OFFICIAL FREIGHT FORWARDER

APT Showfreight Limited

Contact:	Ms. Kaman LEE		
Tel:	+852 2877 1566		
Email:	Kaman.lee@aptshowfreight.com		
Address:	31/F Morrison Plaza, 9 Morrison Hill Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong		

Below please find the general information for shipping arrangement and the time schedule document deadlines for your reference. Please note that the actual documents & time schedule shall vary case by case.

DOCUMENT REQUIREMENT

1 copies of Airway Bill / 1 original Bill of Lading or 1 copy of Express Bill of Lading

1 copies of Combined Commercial Invoice & Packing List

1 copy of Insurance Policy (if insured)

Original copy of ATA Carnet with + 1 Copy of Power of Attorney with company chop and signature (If applicable)

4. CONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, VENUE INFORMATION & USEFUL LINKS

TIME SCHEDULE DOCUMENT DEADLINES:

Seafreight LCL:	9 February 2024
Seafreight FCL:	16 February 2024
Airfreight:	16 February 2024
Local:	23 February 2024

CONSIGNMENT DEADLINES:

Arrival of Seafreight exhibits at Hong Kong Seaport	
- LCL	20 – 22 February, 2024
- FCL	27 – 29 February, 2024
Arrival of Airfreight exhibits at Hong Kong Seaport	27 – 29 February, 2024
Collection of local exhibits in Hong Kong	28 – 29 February, 2024

4.3 CATERING

A variety of catering is readily available in the Exhibition Centre at the permanent catering outlets in the facility.

- Congress Plus Restaurant
- The Atrium (Chinese Restaurant)
- Harbour Kitchen
- Harbour Road Café

Please note that all catering on your stand must be ordered through the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Food & Beverage Department. They will be happy to quote on any items you require for stand refreshments.

Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre

Food & Beverage Department		
Contact:	Ms. Vivian Chan	
Tel:	+852 2582 7262	
Email:	vivianchan@hkcec.com	
Address:	1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong	

4.4 PARKING

Parking slot is available at the Convention Plaza (Harbour Road) Car Park. Address: No. 1 Harbour Road, Wan Chai

General Fee Schedule (subject to change by Urban Parking) First 2 hours: \$32 per hour From 3rd hour onwards: \$35 per hour

For more information on the HKCEC Car Park, please contact Urban Parking directly at Tel: +852 2802 7376.

4. CONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS, VENUE INFORMATION & USEFUL LINKS

Venue	Hall 3FG	
Floor Loading	1,700kg/sqm (350lb/sqft)	
Ceiling Height	8.25m (max. height limit: 7m, max. height under fire curtain: 2.5m)	
Floor Finish	Concrete Floor	
Service Lifts (Elevators) 1) Number 2) Capacity 3) Door Opening 4) Internal Dimensions	Lift E3, E4, E5 & E6 7,000 kg (15,400 lb) 2.5mW x 3mH 2.44mW x 4.17mD x 2.92mH	
Remarks:	 Loading bay located at Level LG1 which vehicles shall load / unload Goods shall be transported up to Hall 3FG (Level 3) from LG1 through the service lifts mentioned above Exhibitors with large or heavy items to be brought into the hall should contact the Official Freight Forwarder as early as possible to ensure that a dentate lifting service can be made available. 	
Ventilation	Central air-conditioning system	
Electrical Supply	220V 50Hz AC single phase 380V 50Hz AC three phase A fluctuation of 6% can be expected	
Wireless LAN	The wireless system is IEEE 802.11a/b/g/n standard and the connect- ed device (notebook, pocket pc, PDA, hand-phone, etc.) must be compliant. The system is supported by a 100M bps premium broad- band line, which can facilitate up to 5,000 concurrent Users at any one time. The maximum bandwidth set for each wireless user is 512KB (upstream and downstream).	

4.5 VENUE, EXHIBITION HALL SPECIFICATIONS & REGULATIONS

4.6 USEFUL LINKS

Government of Hong Kong SAR	www.gov.hk/en/business/
Department of Health of Hong Kong	www.dh.gov.hk
Immigration Department of Hong Kong	www.immd.gov.hk
Hong Kong Tourism Board Discover	www.discoverhongkong.com
Hong Kong International Airport	www.hongkongairport.com
SME Export Marketing Fund	www.smefund.tid.gov.hk
Food and Environment Hygiene Department	www.fehd.gov.hk
InvestHK	www.investhk.gov.hk

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5.1 ABIDE BY THE ORGANIZER'S REQUIREMENT

The Organizer reserves the right to alter or remove without notice and at the Exhibitor's expense any booths which differs from the approved specification or any booths that does not conform to the Organizer's required standard, rules and regulations. The Exhibitor shall have no claims against the Organizer or its agents for any extra costs of replacing its booth to conform to the Organizer's required standard, rules and regulations or for any other losses or damages relating thereto.

Work of any kind carried out at the Exhibition Venue must conform to the current local laws and regulations in force in Hong Kong and those specified by the Organizer. This applies to the exhibitor its agents, contractors and sub-contractors. The Organizer reserves the right to stop any works which contravenes any of these laws and regulations and the exhibitor shall have no claims against the Organizer or its agents for any losses or damages relating thereto.'

5.2 ADVERSE WEATHER ARRANGEMENT

TYPHOON / BLACK RAINSTORM WARNING SIGNAL

All exhibitors are requested to note the following emergency measures which will be implemented in case Typhoon Signal No. 8 and Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is hoisted during the exhibition.

No. 8 Typhoon Signal or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal hoisted prior to the Opening Hours

In case of Typhoon Signal No. 8 or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is hoisted on the move-in day, the Organizer will carry-on the move-in procedure under an acceptable weather condition.

If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is hoisted before 09:00 during the exhibition day, the fair will remain closed for the whole day unless the typhoon signal or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is lowered at or before 15:00.

If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is lowered at or before 15:00 the exhibition will be reopened two hours after the typhoon signal or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is lowered. Exhibitors are reminded to re-deploy duty staff to man their booths before the fair are re-opened to the public.

The show will however remain closed if the typhoon signal or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is lowered after 15:00.

The Organizer will arrange to make an announcement through RTHK or exhibitors may contact the Organizer should they wish to enquire about any matters concerning these special arrangements.

If No. 8 Typhoon Signal is announced during the exhibition, the exhibition will be closed two hours after the announcement Exhibitors and visitors will be requested to leave the exhibition within two hours. Visitors should be encouraged to stay in the exhibition for their own safety.

Once Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is hoisted, new visitors will still be registered and admitted

5.3 ANIMALS

For reasons of health and safety animals are not allowed in the exhibition hall for the duration of the tenancy with the exception of guide dogs for the blind. During the buildup and dismantle period no animals will be allowed on site if it is deemed unsafe. At all times the Organizer decision is final.

5.4 CHILDREN

Exhibitors or contractors shall not bring children UNDER 18 into the hall during move-in and moveout period. The hall are regarded as a potentially dangerous place of work during these periods.

5.5 CLEANING & GARBAGE DISPOSAL

All disposals of waste & booth construction materials during the move-in and move-out periods are the sole responsibility of the individual booth contractors concerned. Disposal of contractor's waste materials by the Organizer will result in the contractor's deposit being forfeited.

The removal and disposal of crates and booth fittings or materials are not covered in the sales of booth or space and, therefore, are subjected to an additional charge imposed by the Exhibition Venue or other sum as the Organizer may reasonably determine.

5.6 COLUMNS CLEARANCE

Access to columns containing Utility Service Provision within the exhibition hall must be maintained with a 0.75m space clearance around each of the columns in order to access services switching equipment.

Access to columns containing fire hose reels, security system and their control devices must be maintained at 1.5m space clearance in order to access at the point of emergency needs.

5.7 COOKING IN BOOTH

- No cooking other than heating up of pre-cooked food which has already obtained from licensed food factories for the event period shall be allowed.

- Flame cooking is strictly prohibited (嚴禁明火烹調).

- Certain cooking methods which generate excessive smoke and strong smells, including (but not limited to) frying(煎), deep-frying(炸), grilling(燒烤), roasting (烘焙)/ broiling (炙), Yakitori cooking (串燒), are strictly prohibited (嚴禁使用的烹煮方法).

- only electrical cooking equipment may be used, and such equipment should be installed with an appropriate exhaust/filtering apparatus. If the equipment is facing an Aisle, the stove top must be shielded on three sides by panels of at least 30cm in height, to avoid spillage of cooking oil or hot water.

- For the exhibitors who will heat up pre-cooked food, non-packaged ready-to-eat food, and/or non-bottled / pre-packaged beverages in the event, they need to apply for a Temporary Food Factory License from the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department. The License shall be displayed at prominent location at the booth. A copy of the License shall also be submitted to the organizer before move in for record.

Note: Regulations are subject to change according to the venue's pandemic measures.

5.8 CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

Should you in need of advice for the clearance of goods/exhibits through customs, you should contact our Official Freight Forwarder who will give advice on relevant aspects of import procedures and will provide you with quotation on request. The contact of the show Official Freight Forwarder is provided in section 4 of the manual.

5.9 DANGEROUS MATERIALS

All substances which are regarded as dangerous, toxic, explosive, hazardous or objectionable in nature are forbidden to be brought into the venue, some examples are listed but not limited to the followings:

- Temporary gas (LPG), explosive, petrol, dangerous gases, radioactive materials or highly flammable substances are strictly forbidden in the exhibition hall.

- Smoking is strictly prohibited in the Exhibition Centre.

- Neon lights will be permitted subject to approval of HKCEC and the installation of necessary devices.

- No naked or open flame equipment is to be used in the exhibition hall at any time.

- Gas-filled balloons with the exception of helium filled balloons are prohibited.

5.10 DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS, IMPORTANT NOTES TO IMPORT & EXPORT

If you need to have something delivered to your booth e.g. booth brochures etc., or you are using a courier to make a delivery, please arrange to have the delivery ONLY DURING MOVE-IN AND EXHIBITION DAYS with accordance to the exhibition time schedule and have your packages addressed as follows:

1. Name of Contact person of your company

2. Exhibitor's Company Name and Booth Number

3. Vegetarian Food Asia

4. Hall 3FG, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong

- Please wear Worker Badge and provide Vehicle Pass issued by the organiser for delivering the show material to your booth.

- Under the new arrangement of Hong Kong Convention and Exhibitions Centre (HKCEC), vehicles before accessing the loading area of HKCEC, the drivers have to download the newly launched "Go HKCEC" App to their mobile phones. Completed the registration, drivers can scan QR code on the e-vehicle permits via the App and getting a 'ticket' and QR code to enter loading area of HKCEC.

- For the details of the electronic vehicles passes and "Go CEC" mobile app, please refer to the user guide in Part 9.

- Please ensure the delivery company/courier has the necessary lifting equipment and trolleys to unload your consignment as the Organizer will not be responsible for any lifting requirements.

- Please ensure that a representative of your company is on-site to receive and sign for the delivery. We are unable to accept responsibility for any goods delivered to un-staffed booths.

- Please ensure the staff / the delivery company / courier must wear a mask at all times within the venue.

- Please closely observe or seek advice from Organizer if there is any vaccine / testing requirement under venue pandemic controls.

A. FUNCTIONAL FOOD PRODUCTS

Functional food products that contain no medicine ingredients, exhibitors are only required to provide following documents to Official Freight Forwarder for the Customs clearance in Hong Kong.

- 1) Certificate of Origin
- 2) Official Government Health Certificates

3) Combined Commercial Invoice & Packing List

If exhibitors are not sure if any licenses or permits will be required in Hong Kong, please feel free to consult with the show Official Freight Forwarder directly.

B. PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS: WESTERN MEDICINES (INCLUDING NUTRITIVE SUPPLEMENTS SUCH AS VITAMINS, LIVER OIL TABLETS & ETC.) AND TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINES

Import and Export Licenses for pharmaceutical products is required in Hong Kong, including western medicines (including Nutritive Supplements like Vitamins, Liver Oil Tablets & etc.), and traditional Chinese medicines. Functional food products that contain any medicine ingredients will be classified as pharmaceutical products.

Exhibitors who are planning to send any pharmaceutical product samples to this show must have their own registered pharmacy/importer/exporter holding valid import/export licenses in Hong Kong to arrange the customs clearance. The Organizer / the Official Freight Forwarder, is not authorized to apply such import/export license for any pharmaceutical products, even these products are for exhibition purpose only.

Exhibitors may consider hand carry small quantities of their products for display purposes only. However, neither the Organizer nor Official Freight Forwarder will be responsible for confiscation should products are impounded upon arrival in Hong Kong by the Customs authorities.

C. DAIRY PRODUCTS

Exhibitors who plan to send any dairy products such as ice cream, powdered milk, fresh milk and yogurt must have obtained all necessary documents:

- Certificate of Origin
- Official Government Health Certificates
- Combined Commercial Invoice & Packing List

D. ENDANGERED SPECIES – PRODUCTS AND MEDICINES

The import and export of endangered species for commercial purposes is strictly prohibited, and no license can be issued. The granting of import/export licenses/permits is solely at the discretion of the relevant government authorities.

Organizer and the Official Freight Forwarder cannot be held any responsibility for the refusal to grant such permission even after the goods arrival in Hong Kong. Any additional charges incur such as air/sea port storage charges and penalty will be at shippers/exhibitor's accounts.

5.11 DISTRIBUTION OF PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Exhibitors cannot use any area outside the boundaries of their stand for displays or promotional activities. The Organizer has the right to remove all items from common areas and / or charge for the additional space used. Failure to adhere to this guideline may result in your stand being closed.

5.12 DRINK AND DRUGS

The abuse of alcohol, drugs and other addictive substances can affect work performance and impair safety. Therefore, any person found to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs which in the opinion of the Organizer constitutes a danger to themselves or any other persons using the venue, will be

asked to leave the hall and if necessary, will be removed by security.

5.13 ELECTRONIC SHOW GUIDE

The Official Electronic Show Guide will be available to download free of charge from the show website. This show guide provides essential details on exhibitors as well as a day-to-day guide to the full seminars, workshops and demonstration programme.

5.14 EXHIBITOR BADGES & WORKER PASSES

Exhibitor Badges can be collected at Organizer Office during move-in period. For general security, exhibitors should not give out any exhibitor badges to anyone not belong to your company. Please note that Exhibitor Badges are only for staff manning stands during the exhibition days, whereas Worker Badges are given to suppliers and contractors who are assisting in decorating the stand, building and dismantling structures during move-in and move-out days only.

Exhibitors and their personnel are requested to wear their badges while in the hall for the duration of the show and contractors to wear their passes for access to the hall during the build-up and move-out period. Complete the Exhibitor Badges and Vehicle Passes Order Form located in the ORDER FORMS section of this manual. Should you require additional badges on-site, please purchase at the Organizer Office.

5.15 EXIT NOTICES

If exit notices are obstructed by booths, decorations or exhibits, additional notices shall be provided as required by the HKCEC. The provision and fixing of these additional notices will be carried out by the Organizer at the expense of the exhibitor. Visible panel display and recessed fittings should be affixed to all walls.

Exhibitors must ensure that no obstacles including fixtures such as steps are built and block the path to the emergency exit. A landing should be well indicated in case of the appearance of the top and/or foot of the stairs. The depth of the landing shall not be less than the width of the flight of stairs.

5.16 FIRE REGULATIONS

Fire prevention equipment like all fire alarms, fire shutters, extinguishers, fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, valves, emergency telephones should be tidy and easy to access.

At any time, exhibitors should allow and make sure the accessibility of all fire hose reels and fire alarms as given in the floor plans. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to make sure that the firefighting or safety equipment are not be hindered, hid, removed or interfered.

Exhibitors should make sure that both the way in and out of the emergency exits are clear and fire prevention measures are done along with the regulations.

Exhibitors and their contractors should make sure that they have adopted the proper fire extinguishers applying for different occasions respectively.

No inflammable materials or equipment (e.g., the inflammable glue for electrical welding equipment) can be used in the exhibition hall when all the carpet has been laid down the corridor in the hall.

Fire extinguishers should be displayed and covered with the direct sprinkler coverage from a temporal overhead structure during the assembly and dismantling period of the entire event.

5.17 FOOD & BEVERAGE CONSUMPTION

According to the regulations of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, consumption of food and beverages are allowed to be taken into the exhibition venue.

Note: Regulations are subject to change according to the venue's pandemic measures.

5.18 FOOD & BEVERAGE PRODUCTS

All food and beverage products need to be pre-packaged.

5.19 FOOD & BEVERAGES SAMPLING

FOOD: Any food, whether imported or locally produced, intended for sale in Hong Kong must comply with the local food laws.

- The regulations associated with these areas can be purchased from Government Publications Centre or downloaded from their website: <u>www.fehd.gov.hk</u>

- Exhibitors who would like to offer products for tasting can do so, provided they are free of charge and within their booth area. Exhibitors must also ensure that all food and drink offered is in hygienic condition of the highest standard and fit for human consumption.

BEVERAGES: If you are serving alcohol on your booth, be sure that you are licensed to serve alcohol. Note: Regulations are subject to change according to the venue's pandemic measures.

5.20 FUMES, EXHAUST SMOKE AND INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES

Any machines, equipment or any other items which generates fumes, exhaust or smoke must have an effective exhaust system in order to assure no complications of any nature to HKCEC staff, workers, contractors, the public or other attendees to the Licensed Area.

The use of internal combustion engines in the exhibition area is strictly prohibited.

5.21 GANGWAYS

Gangways must remain clear at all times including Move-in and Move-out periods. Exhibits and booth fittings, including doors or windows that open, must be displayed on a set back wall and not project into the gangways.

5.22 GOODS MOVE-OUT PERMIT

If you need to leave the exhibition hall with items/goods during the show open days, you will need to obtain a move-out permit from Organizer for security clearance. Should you in need of any assistance, please visit the onsite Organizer Office directly.

5.23 INSURANCE

- All exhibits, articles and other properties brought into the exhibition hall by an exhibitor, his agents and / or his contractors shall be at the sole risk of the exhibitor.

- The Organizer will not be responsible for any losses, damages or destructions occasioned thereto by any cause whatsoever.

- The Organizer will not be liable for any losses, delay, damages, costs, expenses or monies in respect of the postponing, abandoning, cancelling, transforming or curtailing of Exhibition / Organizer for any reasons.

- Any losses, damages and insurance claims need to be reported, in writing, to the Organizer and the police within 24hours.

- Exhibitors are strongly advised to insure their exhibits or other valuable properties against thefts, losses or damages. Both exhibitors and contractors should ensure their staffs, agents and subcontractors are provided with an insurance coverage to protect themselves against injury and thirdparty liability for visitors at their booths.

- For further information, please refer to the terms and conditions of your Booth Application Form.

5.24 LASER PRODUCTS

Any person demonstrating or using laser products shall:

- Observe the Relevant Legislation and Regulations.
- Submit not later than one month before the first day of the License Period for full approval.
- Provide suitable fire protection equipment and warning notices as required by the HKCEC.

5.25 LIFTING / USE OF FORKLIFTS

Lifting (use of forklifts), storage and freight forwarding service are available from the Official Freight Forwarder, APT Showfreight Ltd. The Organizer will not accept any responsibilities for the unloading of goods at the exhibition. You must ensure your delivery / courier company has the appropriate means to unload your consignment or alternatively place order to APT Showfreight Ltd. in advance.

5.26 LOSS AND THEFT

All properties and goods, including without limitation all Publicity Material brought by Exhibitors into any part of the Exhibition Venue including, without limitation, Stands, Space and Raw Space are brought at the Exhibitor's risk.

The Organizer does not guarantee the safety and security of such property or goods and shall not in any ways be liable or responsible for any thefts, losses or damages thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, the showcases, cabinets and other storage facilities as provided by the Organizer in any parts of the Exhibition Venue including, without limitation, Stands, Space and Raw Space are for exhibition purposes only.

The Exhibitors are solely responsible for the safety and security of all their property or goods stored in such showcases, cabinets and storage facilities at all times.

5.27 MANNING THE BOOTH

- Exhibitors should keep their stands in an orderly manner.

- Packing boxes should be kept in the appropriate storage area.
- Exhibits should be displayed in a professional manner compatible with the image of the fair.
- Stands must be manned by knowledgeable staff at all times during the exhibition period.

- Exhibitors should not vacate their stands before the official move-out time on the last exhibition day unless special permission has been given by the Organizer.

- All activities must be contained within the area described in your Booth Application Form for Exhibit Space.

- No selling or promoting will be allowed in the aisles or other public areas

- Visitors viewing video monitors must be in your exhibit space and not crowded in the aisles.
- Loudspeakers and carnival tactics will not be allowed. Please be a considerate neighbour.

5.28 MAINTENANCE AND RE-STOCKING OF BOOTHS

Maintenance and re-stocking of booths are allowed 1.5 hours prior to the opening hours.

Note: Lifting (use of forklifts) is not allowed and only trolleys should be accepted during show period.

5.29 OVER-TIME WORKING

Exhibitors and/or their appointed contractors shall follow the move-in/out schedule. If exhibitors or their appointed contractors required to work after 23:00 on the move-in or move-out day, they should seek approval from the Organizer and the Official Contractor at least four hours before the closing of the hall. For the Over-time charge rate, please contact the Organizer for more details.

5.30 PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

The public address system is for use by the Organizer and Authorities only. During the Open Period only official and emergency messages will be broadcast.

5.31 PUBLIC PERFORMANCE OF MUSIC

Any musical performance, including the use of music recording for demonstration or as background music, requires the permission of:

1) The Composers and Authors Society of Hong Kong Ltd.

18/F, Universal Trade Centre, 3 Arbuthnot Road, Central, Hong Kong

Tel: +852 2846 3268 Fax: +852 2846 3261 Website: <u>www.cash.org.hk</u>

2) Phonographic Performance (South East Asia) Ltd. (For recorded music only)

Unit A, 18/F, Tower A, Billion Centre, 1 Wang Kwong Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong Tel: +852 2861 4318 Fax: +852 2866 6869 Website: www.ppseal.com

3) Hong Kong Recording Industry Alliance Ltd

Suite 2501, 25/F, Exchange Tower, 33 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Tel: +852 2520 7000 Fax: +852 2882 6897 Website: <u>www.hkria.com</u>

Such other relevant bodies are entitled to grant the relevant permission from time to time. All such fees and expenses of musical performance shall be borne by the exhibitors concerned.

5.32 POSTERS & SIGNAGES

The Organizer has the right to remove any bills or posters which in the opinion of the Organizer does not conform to the purpose and image of the exhibition.

5.33 RIGHT TO PRIVACY

Exhibitors are expected to respect the right of all other exhibitors. They are prohibited from entering other exhibitors' booths unless they are being invited.

5.34 SECURITY

Security patrols are provided by the Organizer for the total exhibition area. Nevertheless, Exhibitors are advised that they are required to arrange their own insurance coverage and not to leave their stands unattended and take responsibility for the security of their stand display, stand merchandise and personal items during the show.

Please note that most hired cabinets have common locks and should NOT be regarded as secure units. Any incidents of theft must be reported to the Organizers immediately as it will be necessary to complete a security form and report the incident to the police.

5.35 SMOKING

In line with Hong Kong law, the HKCEC is a "smoke free" building. NO smoking (including ecigarettes) is allowed anywhere inside the venue, at any time.

5.36 SOUND LEVEL / LOUD HAILERS / ODOURS

No noisy work or work producing objectionable odours will be permitted during the opening hours of the exhibition. Exhibitors with music on their booth should keep the level to an acceptable level.

All audio / visual equipment must be sited and be kept at the minimum level. Exhibitors must ensure noise generated at their stands is kept to an acceptable level and does not cause inconvenience to visitors or other exhibitors.

The exhibitor has the responsibility to ensure that the demonstration sound level should not exceed 50dB(A). The Organizer reserves the right to intervene and stop the demonstration immediately if the sound level causes undue disturbances to other exhibitors and visitors. Exhibitors are responsible for supervising the actions of all visitors and employees operating audio / visual equipment located in their exhibit area. In the event of any disagreement and/or dispute, the Organizer's decision is final.

5.37 STORAGE

There will be no storage space provided in the exhibition hall or venue. Any empty crates, equipment, goods, materials or tools found unattended in the exhibition hall. Loading area and/or any non-designated areas will be disposed without prior notice and the refuse deposit will be deducted.

Exhibitors using their own forwarder should be responsible for the storage of their empty wooden crates, etc. in the venue. Storage of boxes and packages etc. behind or on booths are strictly prohibited. Offending items are liable to be removed without prior notices by the Organizer.

5.38 TERMINATION OF RIGHT TO EXHIBIT

Any exhibits, demonstration, publicity materials shall be considered hazardous or may contain misrepresentation or be reasonably suspected to violate the Vegetarian concept or to infringe any intellectual rights of any third party.

5.39 TRAFFIC PROCEDURES & VEHICLE PASSES

Electronic Vehicle Pass is issued by Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre for use of van or truck only that requires usage of loading dock to unload / load cargo of exhibits. Each Vehicle Pass is for single entry only.

3 Vehicle Passes will be reserved for standard booth exhibitors and 6 passes for raw space

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exhibitors which will be either collected by or sent to the exhibitors before the Expo.

Vehicle passes will be scanned by the HKCEC loading dock when entering. HKCEC will impose charges for vehicles with extended stay within the HKCEC loading area.

First 60 minutes (Free Period) : Free

First 2 hours after Free Period :

HKD100 per 30 mins (or part thereof)

After 3 hours : HKD150 per 30 mins (or part thereof)

Note: Vehicle Pass is not for parking in car parks and private car is not allowed to use.

5.40 VISAS

Exhibitors who require visas to enter Hong Kong for attending the exhibition are advised to contact the nearest Embassy/Consulate of the People's Republic of China. Letter in support of visa application is available from the Organizer.

Most visitors do not need a visa to visit Hong Kong. However, you should check in the Immigration Department of Hong Kong for information. Applicants may submit their visa applications directly to Immigration Department of Hong Kong, or through Chinese diplomatic or consular missions in their place of domicile.

Enquiries can be directed to: Immigration Department of Hong Kong

2/F., Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Tel : +852 2824 6111

Email : enquiry@immd.gov.hk

Website: www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/visas/visit-transit/visit-visa-entry-permit.html

5.41 VISITOR INVITATIONS

The General Public are welcomed and admitted to the Vegetarian Food Asia. 100 no. of complimentary admission tickets (for 9sqm booth exhibitor) will be provided for distribution to customers and partners for promoting their company's participation in the Exhibition.

Should you require any additional complimentary admission tickets, please contact the Organizer for more details.

5.42 WASTE REDUCTION AND RECOVERY MEASURES

To protect our environment, the following guidelines on Waste Reduction and Recovery are recommended:

Waste Avoidance and Minimization

a. Setting up of exhibition booth

Use re-erectable booth to reduce the amount of waste generated

b. Selection of decoration material

Use environmentally friendly materials (e.g., recycled materials)

- c. Production of publicity materials
 - Print publicity materials on recycled paper
 - Minimize the number of publicity materials printed
- d. Distribution of bags

The Plastic Shopping Bag Charging (PSB Charging) has launched on 1 April 2015 and renewed on

31 Dec 2022. It adopts a maximum coverage to include all retail sales of goods in the territory irrespective of the scale and nature of business. Since the PSB Charging covers all points of retail sale in Hong Kong, exhibitors (both local and from overseas) conducting retail activities during exhibitions held in Hong Kong are required to comply with the legislative requirements. Under the PSB Charging, the seller of goods by retail shall charge the customer an amount not less than HKD1.00 for each PSB provided, except for situations where there is exemption. Details, please refer to the website of Environmental Protection Department

https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/pro_responsibility/env_levy.html

5.43 WASTE REUSE AND RECYCLING

Reuse: Collect unused publicity items, decoration materials, admission badge holders etc. for reuse or recycling.

Recycling: Put recyclable materials including wastepaper, plastic bottles and aluminum cans into the waste separation bins provided by the Organizer.

6. STANDARD BOOTH INFORMATION



The following are included in standard booth package:

- Lockable Cabinet
- White Folding Chair
- Waste Paper Bin
- 23W Energy Saving Longarm Spotlight
- 500W Power Socket
- Booth Carpet
- Fascia Board
- 3 Side Partition Walls
- Booth Curtain
- Cleaning



The following are included in standard booth package:

- Lockable Cabinet
- White Folding Chair
- Waste Paper Bin
- 23W Energy Saving Longarm Spotlight
- 500W Power Socket
- Booth Carpet
- Fascia Board
- 1 Side Partition Walls
- Booth Curtain
- Cleaning



The following are included in standard booth package:

- Lockable Cabinet
- White Folding Chair
- Waste Paper Bin
- 23W Energy Saving Longarm Spotlight
- 500W Power Socket
- Booth Carpet
- Fascia Board
- 1 Side Partition Walls
- Booth Curtain
- Cleaning

Important notes to standard booth exhibitors:

- 1. **NO FIXTURES MAY BE MADE TO THE WALLS.** Brackets are suggested for the hanging of signs. Velcro/double-sided tape may be used for lighter items only and remove after the show.
- 2. **NO FIXTURES OR NAILS ARE PERMITTED** to any part of the Exhibition Centre and Exhibitors must ensure that arrangements are made in their own designs for all parts of their work to be self-supporting and secure. Decoration must not project forward of the side walls.
- 3. **CORNER BOOTHS** will be open on two sides unless otherwise requested by the Exhibitor and approved by Organizer.
- 4. **ROOF BEAMS**, where necessary, are of 70mm height aluminum and run from the front to the back of the stand.
- 5. **FASCIA BOARD SUPPORT FOR STANDARD SHELL STAND**. For safety reasons, every 4m frontage requires an additional pole (provided free of charge by Official Stand Contractor) to support the fascia board. (Except for 5 x 3m stand where no supporting poles is required)
- 6. **OVERHEAD STRUCTURES** on stands are not permitted to encroach upon the common air space outside the area booked and should remain within the boundaries of the stand. The Organizer have the right to authorize dismantling or rebuilding of any stand which does not meet this regulation.
- 7. SIGNAGE OPPOSITE OTHER STANDS, if any part of a stand is built above 2.5m, this must not adversely affect adjacent exhibitors; any decoration including wordings, logos, company names etc. must be set back at least 1m from adjacent stands. For wall panels built above 2.5m(H) which overlook neighbouring stands, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to decorate the rear of the partition walls in a neutral colour.
- 8. **COMPANY FASCIA.** The company name for the company nameboard will be extracted from the Exhibitor Company Profile or Booth Application Form that you have submitted. Any alterations requested on-site will incur a charge. It is recommended that the company name on your booth is the same as the one on the Show Directory.
- 9. The height standard booth is limited to 2.5m.

If your application is for a Standard Booth, please refer to the following chart to indicate the amount of furnishing provided based on your square meters.

Item / Sqm	6	9	18	27	36
Lockable Cabinet	1	1	2	3	4
White Folding Chair	2	2	4	6	8
Waste Paper Bin	1	1	2	3	4
23W Energy Saving Longarm Spotlight	2	2	4	6	8
500W Power Socket	1	1	2	3	4
Booth Carpet	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fascia Board	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3 Side Partition Walls	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Booth Curtain	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cleaning	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

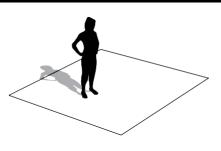
Standard Booth

• Please be reminded that all items included in the standard shell stand cannot be interchanged with other items. If exhibitors do not require any of the items, no refund will be given.

Unless requested by the exhibitor, the Organizer shall assume that exhibitor occupying 2 or more adjoining booths will be chosen to delete the partition panels in between. All extra requirements, e.g., special decoration, extra lighting, furniture, AV equipment etc., should be ordered separately from the Official Stand Contractor.

RAW SPACE BOOTH CONTRACTOR

Raw Space Exhibitors are responsible for appointing their own contractors for stand design and construction. It is the raw space exhibitor's responsibility to carpet and furnish their licensed space. (Raw Space does not come with any stand fittings, carpeting, electricity, furniture etc.).



All carpets and floor coverings can be affixed with double-sided tape. The use of paint or glue on the floor of the exhibition hall is strictly forbidden. Should any damages occur, it is the exhibitors/appointed contractor's responsibility to meet the costs involved.

All exposed rear surfaces of designs and structures must be decorated unless facing the actual walls of the Exhibition Hall. (No cover by fabrics/cloth are allowed).

The order forms for electricity and furniture are included in this Manual. All exhibitors with raw space must complete and submit Form 6a & 6b – (Raw Space Exhibitor & Contractor Registration).

Full Stand Construction and Management details are available in this manual. You may pass on this manual for their study. Your appointed stand contractor will be able to view all information and submit all required documents related to stand construction.

The exhibitor (or their appointed contractor) is also responsible for the dismantling of the stand at the end of the show and removing all material used. Failure to do so will result in the automatic forfeit of the total deposit. In addition, the contractor involved will not be permitted to work on future events.

7.1 Cleaning & Garbage Disposal

The Organizer will arrange for the general cleaning of the exhibition hall and stands, prior to the opening of the Exhibition and daily thereafter. The Exhibition Centre will also provide general cleaning during show period. In case of the need for urgent cleaning, exhibitors may dial the cleaning service hotline for aid: +852 2582 7007.

All disposal of waste stand construction materials etc. during the move-in and move-out periods is the responsibility of individual stand contractors concerned. Disposal of contractor's waste materials by the Organizer or venue will result in the contractor's deposit being forfeited.

In the case of 'standard booth' exhibitors bring in shelving and stand fittings, these cannot be left behind at the close of the show. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to dismantle all stand fixtures built or brought in by themselves and remove all waste materials from the Centre at the end of the show. Failure to comply will result penalty for the labour and trucking required to dispose of the material.

To make the move-out safer and in line with our environmental initiatives, "grabber trucks" will not be permitted in the exhibition hall. Stands must be dismantled in sections and removed from the venue.

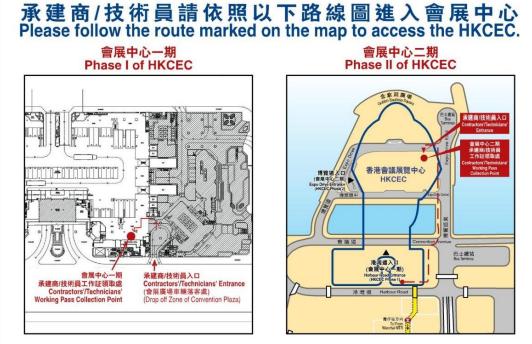
7.2 CONTRACTOR "GREEN CARD" REQUIREMENT & SECURITY WRISTBANDS

Since 1st January 2010, contractors entering the Centre for construction work are required to hold a Construction Industry Safety Training Certificate ("Green Card"). The Green Card system is a joint initiative of HKCEC, Asia World Expo (AWE), supported by the Hong Kong Labour Department and endorsed by the HKCEIA.

Due to increased security measures these are compulsory for external contractors working in the hall during build-up and breakdown. Upon contractors entering the Exhibition Centre, a wristband will be given by the HKCEC security guards after presenting a valid contractor pass and contractor green card. The wristband is colour-coded and will be given out each morning. All contractors are required to wear this wristband during build-up and breakdown.

Procedure:

1. Contractor Entrances/ Checkpoints are located in the front of Freight lift E6, LG1, the Loading Area of Phase 1, and the corridor next to S7-10 lift lobby, LG, Phase 2. (See below)



2. Stand contractors/ transportation drivers/ workers are required to produce valid identification (i.e., green card and contractor pass) at the Contractor Checkpoint to obtain a wristband. Wristbands will NOT be distributed at any other entry points.

3. After obtaining wristbands for the day, contractors and workers at Contractor Checkpoints, they may re-enter exhibition venues via other entry points during the same day.

4. Security guards will conduct regular patrols in exhibition venues and other areas to ensure the policy is being correctly observed.

5. Stand contractors, other transportation drivers/workers without a valid wristband will be asked to leave the venue at once.

6. Only stand building contractors with a valid wristband are permitted to carry out stand building work.

7. Should a wristband be lost or damaged, the identification of the relevant stand contractor must be re-verified at one of the Contractor Checkpoints. A security guard will record the person's information and re-issue the wristband. Repeat losses will not be accepted.

7.3 CONTRACTOR DEPOSIT

Raw space exhibitor shall pay Contractor Deposit of HKD600/sqm of the booth area to the Official Contractor (Min. HKD10,000, Max. HKD50,000) to ensure that their raw space sites are clear from any bulky/large rubbish or damages after the event. The deposit will be refunded to the exhibitors concerned within three weeks after the exhibition if their exhibition sites are, in Organizers' view, clear from damages to the venue and/or of any rubbish. Any cost raised from the mentioned would be deducted from the deposit.

No Workers Badges and vehicle passes will be issued to the exhibitor or its appointed contractor and no custom-built booths will be permitted to be erect at the exhibition unless the Raw Space contractors' information, construction drawings and lighting plan inclusive of Raw Space Contractors Information together with the refuse/damage deposit has been received by the Official Contractor.

7.4 CONTRACTOR INSURANCE

Individual Stand Contractors are required to take out and maintain Contractor's All Risks insurance in respect of the Individual Stand Contractor's liability for death or injury to any person, or loss or damage to property arising out of the performance of the Services in a sum not less than HKD10 million (USD 1.2 million) for any single claim, unlimited in aggregate. In addition, an Individual Stand Contractor shall take out and maintain valid and adequate insurance cover against theft, fire, damage to property, accidents, natural calamities, acts of God and such other risks normally insured against by a reasonable person in the position of the Individual Stand Contractor, or as the Organizer may require, in connection with, inter alia, the Individual Stand Contractor's property (including all equipment, fittings, furniture, materials and other facilities used or provided by the Individual Stand Contractor in the performance of the Services) and the performance of the Services. The insurance shall be maintained in force at all times during the Move-in/ out and Exhibition Period.

7.5 DILAPIDATION CHARGES

It is the responsibility of exhibitors to make good any damage caused to the flooring inclusive of marks by paint and adhesive tapes, etc. made by the exhibitors, its agents or contractors. In your own interests, you should satisfy yourselves as to the condition of your space site and again after its clearance. The Organizer will pass to the exhibitor any charges for damage to the exhibition hall, caused by exhibitors, their staff or their contractors.

7.6 DOUBLE DECK STANDS

Double deck stands, regardless of whether people will occupy the upper area or not, are not allowed in the exhibition.

7.7 DROP WIRES (RIGGINGS)

If supporting (rigging) points from the exhibition hall ceiling are required for stand structures over 2.5m, please contact the Official Stand Contractor directly for quotation.

7.8 ELECTRICAL WORKS

For safety reasons, water link-ups, compressed air and all electrical installation work MUST be carried out ONLY by the Official Stand Contractor. All electricians working in the exhibition hall must be registered (Form WR1) and they must comply with the Hong Kong Government Electricity Ordinance. The employer of the electrician shall be liable for any damages caused if the electrician fails to comply with above requirement. All electrical works of Raw Space stand must submit their Form WR1 to the official contractor by the 18:00 on the last move-in day.

All electricity must be contracted through the Official Stand Contractor, (For standard booth exhibitors, power sockets will be provided by the Organizers, please refer to "Standard Booth Information" for number of sockets provided).

No other contractors will be permitted to undertake electrical work in the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. If the actual power consumption of any Exhibitor exceeds the applied limit, and affects the operation of other exhibitors or the power supply system of the venue, the Organizer will stop power supply to their stands immediately and the Exhibitor will be liable for the damage caused.

In the case of light box displays brought in by Exhibitors, each fluorescent or lamp used will be treated as general lighting and charged as per an additional order. Please refer to electricity & furniture order form for details.

Exhibitors requiring special arrangements (e.g., different voltages and frequency or connections to equipment) must arrange for their own transformers, converters, etc., or hire from the Official Stand Contractor.

In the event of limited electricity supply in the hall, the Organizer may have to ration power supply. Exhibitors are advised to bring along UPS as back up support for their exhibits.

Before lighting and electricity are supplied for individual stands, exhibitors who need a prior arrangement for electricity supply testing should contact the Official Stand Contractor. Such supply is subject to extra cost and technical availability.

No extension cord shall be connected to any one socket and no multiplugs are allowed to be used. No flashing / blinking lights or neon lights will be permitted.

The Organizer reserves the right to disconnect electricity supply to any Exhibitor whose installations are violating the Organizer's regulations, dangerous or likely to cause annoyance to visitors or other exhibitors.

7.9 GLASS PANELS

All glass panels and glazing used in the construction of booths must consist of safety glass with a minimum of 4mm thick. Any uninterrupted, large areas of clear glazing shall be indicated so as to be readily apparent i.e., by applying warning strips, dots or logos.

7.10 GRAPHICS / SIGNAGES / ADVERTISING

No part of any stands/ exhibits/ advertising, including fascia, signs, and/or projection images, lighting, corner posts, etc. shall project into or over the gangway or obscure any fire or exit signs and the Organizer reserve the right to remove any such item(s).

If any part of a raw space stand is built above 2.5m, this must not adversely affect adjacent exhibitors; any decoration including wordings, logos, company name etc. must be set back at least 1m from adjacent stands.

7.11 LIGHTING

General hall lighting is provided but it is strongly recommended that you also have specific lighting on your booth to highlight your exhibits. Additional lightings can be ordered through our Official Stand Contractor.

7.12 NAILING / DRILLING / PAINTING

No nailing, drilling, painting or fixtures of any kinds are allowed on the partitions, floor, ceiling or any hall structure. Should exhibitor require affixing posters / foamboards on the shell scheme panels, only Velcro may be used and this must be removed completely when the show is finished. Should any damages occur, it is the exhibitors/appointed contractor's responsibility to meet the costs involved.

7.13 OVERHEAD STRUCTURE & CEILING COVER

No part of any overhead structures may extend beyond the boundaries of the space allocated. This includes overhead structure, exhibitor's name or log, free standing signs or advertising as well as lighting fixtures, including spotlights.

According to HKCEC rules & regulations, the venue may only accept stand designs incorporating a ceiling/covered overhead structure up to 100sqm. If the ceiling area exceeds 100sqm then a minimum gap of 600mm has to be included in the design.

Material used in ceilings/covered overhead structures must be water permeable. Waterproof or water-resistant materials are not permitted, and in all cases 2 samples of the ceiling/cover material must be submitted for testing. All material must be fireproof.

Nevertheless, the HKCEC requires all contractors to submit 2 pieces of ceiling cover sample in size 30cmW x 30cmL each for testing. The Organizer will collect the materials and submit to the centre on contractor's behalf. Please note the materials must reach the Organizer at least 3 weeks before move-in, in order to give sufficient testing time. The Organizer will revert the result around one week.

7.14 REFLECTIVE SAFETY VEST REQUIREMENT

Any personnel requiring admission to the Hall when vehicles (autos, trucks and/or forklifts) are being operated in connection to build-up or dismantle of exhibition booths, temporary structures or other installations will be required to wear a reflective safety vest.

7.15 SCAFFOLDING / USE OF LADDERS

For safety purposes, the use of ladders in excess of 2m in height is strictly prohibited within HKCEC.

If the construction/dismantling work is carried out at a level over 2m from the ground, contractors should use high reach equipment, such as metal scaffolding.

Scaffold shall not be used on a construction site unless the Form 5 report from Construction Sites (Safety) Regulations has been made by a competent person. This form should be displayed in a prominent location of the scaffold, specifying the location, extend of the scaffold on the site and includes a statement to the effect that the scaffold is in safe working order, strength and stability.

Workers are required to wear a safety belt while construction activities are carried out over 2m from the ground. If this rule is not observed, HKCEC and the Organizer will have the right to stop the relevant construction activity immediately.

For further details, please visit the website: <u>www.labour.gov.hk/eng/public/content2_8b.htm</u> for the Code of Practice for Metal Scaffolding Safety.

According to the latest guideline by HKCEC, ladders can only be hired for working at height less than 2mH from ground. And only metal ladder is accepted when working in HKCEC, no wooden ladder or in other material will be allowed in HKCEC.

7.16 SERVICE TRENCHES IN THE EXHIBITION HALL, WATER & DRAINAGE

All services at the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre are pulled through venue service trenches, including telephone lines, electrical, water & waste and air, (except for Hall 3FG).

If you are in Hall 3FG, it is important that your appointed stand contractor works closely with the Official Stand Contractor on the best place within the stand to pull the services through. Ideally, they will look at bringing them up in store or kitchen areas rather than in place that is vital to you for display or hospitality. The more information, that you can pass on to your appointed stand contractor, the better.

If your company intends to order a high level of services, we would thoroughly recommend that you lay a platform on the hall floor to hide unsightly pipe work and cables. This also gives you greater flexibility in where the services are pulled through. If you want to order a platform, please contact the Official Stand Contractor.

7.17 STAND BUILDING HEIGHT

Stand height of standard booth is 2.5m and cannot be exceeded. The height of raw space is limited to maximum 3m. For stands under and within 0.5 meter of the smoke curtains, the maximum height is 2.5m in Hall 3FG. Exhibitors who would like to build their raw space higher than 3m, the design drawing will be subject to Organizers approval in advance. In case of any disputes, the decision of the Organizers is final.

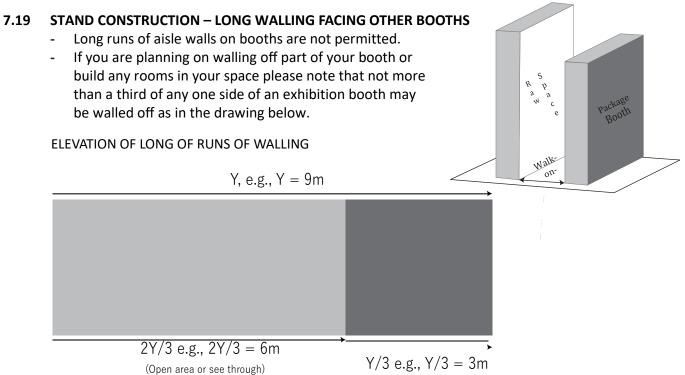
Exhibitors should construct their own walls, with minimum 2.5m height, to divide from neighbouring booths, and should not use other's back walls or venue walls.

Exhibitor who wishes to build a wall over 2.5m in height and intends to decorate both sides of the wall with graphics, company name or logo then the wall must be built at least 0.5m away from the neighbouring booth. If the exhibitor wishes to build a wall of over 2.5m but only decorate the side facing its own booth with their graphics, company name or logo then no setback is required however the exhibitor is required to finish to other side of the wall in a white/neutral colour down to 2.5m in height. Whilst every step is taken to ensure that all issues are resolved to everyone satisfaction, the Organizer is the final arbitrator in any disputes between neighbouring booths and all parties are bound by the Organizer's decision as agreed when the signing of the terms and conditions upon booking.

7.18 STAND CONSTRUCTION AND DECORATION MATERIAL & FINISHING

As per Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre's Rules & Regulation, all drapes, curtains, fabrics, signs, facias, decorative materials night sheets, backdrops, banners, coverings, plastics, skirts, carpet flooring and all other materials used in the construction and decoration of Stands, Temporary Structures or other Scheduled Exhibition installations or components, must be non-combustible, inherently non-flammable or durably flameproof and may be inspected by authorized personnel or the Hong Kong Government to verify compliance. Outside stand contractors must present the <u>relevant documentation (Form FS251)</u> relating to fire tests, flame tests, fume tests, and other similar tests to the Official Stand Contractor before exhibitor's move-in day. Failure to comply will result in your contractor deposit being deducted.

Please contact the official contractor to get the list of companies whom may issue Form FS251 on this regard.



(Max wall of length)

7.20 STAND DESIGN DRAWINGS APPROVAL - PROCEDURES

Please find below stand approval procedures for your easy reference. Please note that contractor pass / vehicle pass will only be available before move-in upon the stand design drawings approval procedures has been completed.

	Action	Deadline:	
Step 1	Raw Space Exhibitor submits initial stand design & drawings to the Official Contractor for vetting.	26 Jan, 2024	
Step 2	If no revision is required from the Official Contractor, the drawings will be forwarded to the Organizer for further vetting.	7 Feb, 2024	
Step 3	Outside Contractor should take the initiative to submit: 1) Contractor deposit to Official Stand Contractor 2) Contractor insurance policy to the Organizer	23 Feb, 2024	
Step 4	If no further revision is required from the Official Contractor and the Organizer, and provided that Contractor has settled the contractor deposit and present the contractor insurance policy. The Organizer will send out reminder to Contractor for details of collection of contractor pass / vehicle pass.		

Once again, please note that failure to provide the required document/payment by the deadline will subject to late surcharge per stand. Contractors only be allowed commence their stand construction onsite after they have settled the late surcharge payment.

Stand design regulations vary according to your specific stand type. Please refer to the Raw Space Booth Information in the next section of this manual for specific information.

When Exhibitors sign an Exhibition Space Contract, they agree to abide by all the Rules & Regulations and those set out in this Manual, and to ensure that their Contractors abide by them in order to avoid any disputes, the layout of your stand must be submitted to the Organiser for review and approval. All design proposals must conform to all statutory requirements and those set out in this Manual and must include the following:

- Plan view, showing clearly all dimensions, walling, company name and major exhibits.
- Elevation / Perspective (including top, side, front and rear) views showing clearly all dimensions, graphics, etc.
- Structural calculations / drawings proving structural stability, weight loadings, etc
- Details of materials and fire protection.
- Rear elevation to demonstrate how the expose area facing neighbouring stand to be decorated.
- Details of moving exhibits, projectors and displays being used and its measurements, weights and loading of all exhibits.

7.21 STAND DESIGN WITH PLATFORM AND STAGES

Platform and stage installations for public use may require suitable handrails. Other means of protection must be provided on any riser type platform that exceeds 1 meter in height.

Use of any platforms or stages more than 1.1 meters but lower than 1.5 meters in height must be constructed under the supervision of an Authorized Person / Registered Structural Engineer (RSE). The Authorized Person / RSE must also verify the stability of the platforms and stages on-site and submit a safety report to the Exhibition Centre during move-in period.

No stage or platform 1.5 meters in height or above may be erected unless a RSE has verified their structural calculations and design for stability prior to set-up or erection. The Authorized Person / RSE must also verify the stability of the platforms and stages on-site and submit a safety report to the Exhibition Centre during move-in period.

7.22 WORKER BADGE

Appointed contractors and forwarders from each exhibitor must have a Workers Badge. 5 workers badges will be provided for each exhibitor. The Workers Badges must be worn at all time for access into and out of the exhibition hall during move-in and move-out period. Security guards will have the right to deny access into the exhibition hall if the appointed contractors and forwarders are unable to produce the required working badge.

7.23 WORKING OVER-TIME

If at any time during the open days exhibitor who needs to carry out maintenance work after the exhibition has closed, please apply to the Organizer by 17:00 on the same afternoon. Any charges imposed on the Organizers for such arrangements, e.g., lighting and security, will be passed on to the exhibitor/contractor concerned.

8. HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

8.1 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES & EVACUATION

It is the responsibility of every exhibitor and contractor to ensure that all employees working at HKCEC during the exhibition are familiar with the emergency procedures as outlined on the sheet at the end of this section.

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FIRE EMERGENCY

IF YOU DETECT FIRE OR SMOKE

- Activate the nearest fire alarm station if possible.
- Leave the fire area immediately by the nearest exit (emergency exits marked in green); do not use lifts.
- Close doors behind you.
- Leave building by the nearest exit (emergency exit marked in green); do not use lifts.

IN CASE OF FIRE ALARM

IF YOU HEAR A FIRE ALARM

- Remain alert and prepare to leave the building upon hearing a fire alarm or possible announcements over the public address system, or upon receiving instructions by HKCEC staff.
- Continue as normal if fire alarm stops and instructed to do so.

IF YOU HEAR A FIRE ALARM EVACUTATION ANNOUNCEMENT OR INSTRUCTION

- Leave the building via the nearest exit (emergency exit marked in green); do not use lifts.
- If you encounter smoke in the stairway, use alternate exit where available.
- Do not attempt to remove vehicles from parking garage or loading docks.
- Follow announcements over the public address system or instructions by HKCEC staff and/or fire/ police officials.
- Once outside building, stay clear of the building and do not return until declared safe to do so by fire/ police officials.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- Dial emergency number for security office ("33") from the closest house phone.
- Give exact location (as indicated above house phone).
- Give detailed information, when possible, of the injury and the cause of the injury.
- Remain in contact with HKCEC staff until emergency personnel have arrived.

8.2 HEALTH & SAFETY STATEMENT

- Organizer is committed to providing, maintaining and promoting, so far as is reasonably practicable, the highest standard of health, safety and welfare at all its shows.
- All exhibitors and contractors at events organized by Organizer. are expected to ensure that they provide a safe place and system of work. Successful safety management requires the commitment, involvement and co-operation of all those onsite.

8.3 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ORDINANCE

- Exhibitors and / or their contractors must comply with Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance in construction and dismantling the stands.
- Make sure the workplace is safe and healthy.
- Provide and maintain safety working equipment and procedures.
- Appoint authorized person for on-site supervising of installation/dismantling works.
- Adhere to the occupational health and safety measure as required by the venue operator.

8.4 PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT

Appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (such as security footwear, helmets, security belt for actions at the heights above 2m) against work hazards that may result from stand installation and dismantle should be provided by exhibitors and/or their contractors. The purpose of the above measures is to make sure the sustainable safety level for both employees and people working in the construction area. Workers who do not wear the proper wears are not permitted to stay in the exhibition hall.

8.5 REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS

It is a legal requirement that any accidents should be reported immediately to the HKCEC duty manager via the Organizers Office. Some accidents must be further reported to the relevant bureau or authority from Hong Kong SAR in which case the Organizer will advise.

8.6 **REFLECTIVE VEST**

Any person requiring admission to the exhibition Hall 3F during the move in or move out period is required to wear a reflective safety vest at all times especially when vehicles and/or forklifts are being operated inside the hall.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitors or contractors to supply their own vests. Alternatively, HKCEC could provide a limit supply for hire. Please contact the Organizer for details.

8.7 USE OF STAND AND SAFETY

The Exhibitor shall be solely responsible for the precautionary measures (such as guards or other means of protection) to protect the public from any moving or working exhibits. Such moving or working exhibits shall only be demonstrated or operated by competent persons authorized by the Exhibitor and shall not be left running in the absence of such persons. Display of such working or moving exhibits must be subjected to the Organizer's prior written approval

9. CHECKLIST OF ORDER FORMS

Form No	For All Exhibitors	Deadline	Check
1. Exhib	ition Directory / Exhibitor Listing		T
1A	Pre-Show Publicity		
1B	Special Onsite Offer to Visitors	26 Jan, 2024	
1C	Product Sponsor & Promotion		
2. Mark	eting & Advertising Opportunities		
2A	Printed And Digital Advertisement	26 Jan, 2024	
3. Exhib	ition Services		
3A	Additional Exhibitor Badge Application	16 Feb, 2024	
3B	Additional Vehicle Pass & Storage Application	09 Feb, 2024	
3C	Trade Business Interest Survey	16 Feb, 2024	
4. Infor	mation for License Application		
4A-1	Application for Temporary Factory License (To Be Issued in the Name of an Individual)		
4A-2	Application for Temporary Factory License (To Be Issued in the Name of a Corporation)	21 Feb, 2024	
4A-R	Application for Temporary Factory License Declaration	1 Mar, 2024	
4B-1	Application for a Temporary Liquor Licence (Download Guidance Note TC Version)	24 5 4 2024	
4B-2	Application for a Temporary Liquor Licence (Download Guidance Note EN Version	21 Feb, 2024	
4B-R	Application for a Temporary Liquor Licence Declaration	1 Mar, 2024	
5. Offici	al Stand Contractor Services		
5A	Fascia Name Submission (Standard Booth Exhibitor Only)		
5B	Booth Facilities Location Plan (Standard Booth Exhibitor Only)		
5C	Additional Furniture Order (Standard Booth Exhibitor Only)	02 Feb, 2024	
5D	Additional Electricity Supply & Lighting Order (For Standard Booth Exhibitor Only)		

5E	Electricity Supply Main for Lighting & Machines (For Raw Space Only)			
6. Stand Contractor Registration (Raw Space Exhibitors Only)				
6A	Raw Space Exhibitor Acknowledgement	26 Jan 2024		
6B	Raw Space Contractor Registration	26 Jan, 2024		
7. Refrig	7. Refrigeration Equipment			
7A	Refrigeration Equipment Order	16 Feb, 2024		

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