



# EXHIBITOR REGULATIONS 2021-2022

## General Policy

- **The RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg is the exclusive supplier of Food & Beverage, Electrical, Plumbing, Overhead work, Internet and Technology and Housekeeping. If you require further information, please contact Exhibitor Services at (204) 957-4538 or [services@wcc.mb.ca](mailto:services@wcc.mb.ca) during business hours.**
- Please ensure you complete the necessary forms or place online orders for the services you require. Online ordering and exhibitor forms are available on our website [www.wcc.mb.ca/exhibitors/order-forms/](http://www.wcc.mb.ca/exhibitors/order-forms/)
- Each service is sold on a per booth or per exhibitor basis.
- Supplying of services by outside contractors within the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg may result in a fee charged to the exhibitor. The RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg must approve such services in advance of the event.
- Exhibitors are not allowed to use the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg's plug-in receptacles. Before any electronic equipment can be connected, the equipment must have a CSA approval sticker.
- The RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg will not rent any material handling equipment, other than the Scissor Lift or Forklift at applicable labour charges. Forklifts are not permitted on any carpeted surface. Please bring your own tools, ladders and dollies etc. to build or transport your exhibit.
- While on-site at the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg, there will be a Service Desk on the Exhibition floor clearly marked. All services not previously arranged and paid for must be paid at the Service Desk upon request of the service
- Alterations to any part of the structure of the Centre, or to items of furniture or equipment forming part of it, may not be made without prior written authorization from the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg in each individual case. These prohibitions include the drilling of holes, mechanical fastening (nails, staples, push pins etc.) or adhesive fastening (tape, glue, sticky Velcro, etc.) and the attaching in any manner of decals, promotional literature or items. Failure to comply will result in a \$50 minimum penalty per occurrence to the client. Labour/Repair charges will apply to remove prohibited tapes/decals from the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg.
- See fire and safety regulations for further information <https://www.wcc.mb.ca/download/Fire-Safety-Regulations.pdf>
- All materials used for draping or decorations must be fire resistant or treated with a flame retardant solution to meet with a flame test as provided in the municipal code of Winnipeg for fire prevention. Draping cannot be used on electrical boxes.
- You are required to report immediately any unsafe condition or accident of which you have knowledge to a security guard or the show management.

## On-Site Policy

- Alcohol consumption is prohibited during move-in and move-out of shows.
- In accordance with the City of Winnipeg Smoking by-law all RBC Convention Centre property/facility is designated non-smoking. It is prohibited to smoke or use E-cigarettes within the confines of the Centre.
- Smoking and/or vaping of cannabis is prohibited within the Centre. Medicinal users are permitted to consume outdoors, but must be 8 metres from a building entrance.



- Unique regulations exist by Federal and Provincial Regulations on the use, sales and promotion of cannabis in Manitoba. Please see the **Exhibitor Cannabis Regulations** relevant to your show type for information.
- As per the Manitoba Employment Standard Code, children under 16 years of age are not permitted on the show floor during move-in or tear down. Please also note, that as per the Ministry of Labour, Proper Protective Equipment is required to be worn while all tear down and move-out activity is taking place.
- All deliveries for exhibits on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor are to be made directly to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, via the truck entrance ramp off Edmonton Street. Drivers are to be notified that they are to wait until the ramp doors are completely open before proceeding into the building. The same applies when leaving through the Carlton Street exit. The Dockmaster controls the access/traffic to the loading and receiving areas. All deliveries to the ground floor meeting rooms are to be made solely through the Edmonton and St. Mary Street ground level loading dock.
- All food and beverage is exclusively provided by the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg. It is not permissible for food and beverage, alcoholic or otherwise, to be purchased or brought in from off-site and served in the facility.
- Food and beverage sampling and distribution is not permitted unless shown to be directly relevant to the nature of the event. All sampling requests must be approved in advance by the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg. Please see online request form. Note: Water, snacks and other traffic promotion items must be approved in advance and must be purchased from the Centre.
- Animals or pets, with the exception of Service Animals are not permitted in the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg. Exceptions are for approved exhibit, activity or performance requiring use of animals. Please see our online request form.
- All helium-filled balloons or other inflatables are permitted if approved by the facility. A deposit is required in case of the removal of helium balloons, which have come untethered. Helium balloons must not be handed out. Please see our online request form to enquire about approval.
- Anyone who is soliciting during the exhibitions without show management authorization will be asked to leave by the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg.

## Exhibit Guidelines

- It is recommended that exhibits or booths be numbered to allow for easy identification by tradesmen, show or convention delegates. Often the sign on the booth of exhibit is different from the given trade name, which allows for confusion unless a standard number system is utilized.
- All booth decorations and exhibit materials must be kept within the confines of the rented booth dimensions.
- No booth decorations or exhibit materials will block the visibility of another exhibits. Painting or fastening to walls, floors, ceiling or any part of the building is not permitted. Attaching signs or display material to the show contractor's equipment will be by approved methods only. Balloons, stick-on decals, or similar products will not be permitted within the building. If an exhibitor's carpet is not installed by the Office Show Contractor, then removal of tape/residue/any other adhesive material used is the responsibility of the exhibitor; otherwise, the cost of removal will be billed back to the exhibitor. Any damage to the building or show dressings will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. Exhibitor shall promptly pay for any and all damages to the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg, booth equipment or the property of others caused by exhibitor.
- Distribution of samples and printed matter of any kind, and any promotional material, is restricted to the exhibitor booth. All exhibits shall display products or service in a tasteful manner. The aisles, passageways and overhead spaces remain strictly under control of Master Promotions and no signs, decorations, banners, advertising material, or special exhibits will be permitted in the aisles except by written permission of Master Promotions. The sale of raffle tickets, lotteries and/or gambling is not permitted. Master Promotion reserves the right to limit any audio or visual activity within the exhibit space, if they deem it to be disruptive or inappropriate for the event.



## Floor Covering

- Contact RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg's Exhibitor Services at 204-957-4538 or [services@wcc.mb.ca](mailto:services@wcc.mb.ca) to discuss all floor covering regulations and acceptable adhesive.
- The cost of booth carpet/floor covering is not included in the booth rental; exhibitors must bring or rent their own with floor covering.
- Painting, nailing or drilling of floor is not permitted. Exhibitors wishing to lay tile or other floor covering, or build any structure, may not adhere it directly to the building floor. It is required that building paper, plastic sheeting, or some other suitable protection be laid on the building floor.
- Upon removal of each booth, the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg and Show Management will inspect each space for any damages incurred by the exhibitor and to check that all materials, including tape residue left on the floor, are properly removed. Any charges to make good the exhibit space will be passed on to the exhibitor. All garbage and disposal of leftover materials are the responsibility of the exhibitor if materials are left in the booth and the fee for disposal will be passed on to the exhibitor.

## Ingress and Egress

- Delivery or pick-up vehicles are not allowed on the Exhibition Floor without prior permission from the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg. Any vehicles that are not part of the exhibit are to be removed from the exhibit floor 3 hours prior to the opening to allow for aisle cleaning.
  - \*NO vehicle with studded tires will be allowed on the exhibit hall floor.
  - \*NO vehicle that is wet, muddy or snow covered will be allowed on the exhibit floor until clean and dry.
  - \*NO parking of private vehicles will be allowed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor loading dock or in the ground floor loading dock area. If illegally parked, they will be removed at the owner's expense.
- The RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg will not accept shipments of any kind for trade show/exhibitions. All materials should be consigned to the contracted display company for the show.
- Passenger elevators and escalators are not to be used for transporting freight or equipment from level to level. This includes hand dollies/handcarts and hand carrying boxes, easels, chairs, tables, etc. The upper parkade level in the north building is serviced by two freight elevators which must be used to move any display units or other goods from the parkade level to the Centre's function rooms. Display units, goods and other materials are not allowed to be transported via the passenger elevators.
- The RBC Convention Centre has the right to refuse hanging any banner that is deemed unsafe.
- Out of safety concerns for guests, employees, and Centre, as well as concerns for individual privacy, the Centre prohibits the operations or use of unmanned aerial systems (UAS), or drones, by anyone – including recreational users and hobbyists – without prior written authorization from the Centre.
- Use of masking, clear packaging and plastic/based tape are prohibited. Labour/Repair charges will apply to remove prohibited tapes from the Centre's property. A "clean" facility will be provided for each show, and it must be left in the same condition upon the show's egress.
- All lost and found articles are catalogued and stored for 30 days at which time they are disposed of at the discretion of the Centre. To enquire about lost and found items, please contact the Security Desk at (204) 957-4523.
- Aisles are maintained by the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg staff. Vendors are asked to bring any of their waste to the designated locations during the show, including pallets. Packing material and construction waste (e.g. carpet, wood, bricks, concrete etc.) after the show are not to be placed into these bins. These materials should be removed by the Exhibitor, as



they are not handled by the RBC Convention Centre. The RBC Convention Centre personnel are not expected and will not be aiding carriers to lift and move heavy articles and/or crates.

- Any materials that are not removed from the RBC Convention Centre at the stipulated time will be handed over to a storage company for holding at the expense of the exhibitor or show management. The exhibitor agrees that the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg has the right to dismantle and pack any property of the exhibitor who has failed to do so in the time allotted at the sole expense of the exhibitor without incurring any liability for damage or loss.