EXHIBITOR KIT



June 7-9 2024

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Produced by Haunted Trade Shows LLC

Location:

DONALD E. STEPHEN CONVENTION CENTER 5555 N. River Rd. Rosemont, IL 60018 (847) 692-2220

Trade Show Floor Hours:

Saturday June 8th 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Sunday June 9th 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Exhibitor Move In Hours:

Friday June 7th 8:00 am - 6:00 pm* *Labor included 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Exhibitor Move Out Hours:

Sunday June 9th 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Exhibitor Desk/Registration Hours:

Friday June 7th 9:30 am - 6:00 pm Saturday June 8th 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Sunday June 9th 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

OFFICIAL CONTRACTORS

Please review the following Contractor's Exhibitor Kits for all of your booth needs:

General Contractor: Rosemont Exposition Services (Furniture, electric, wi-fi, freight info, etc.)

Deadline for discounted pricing: May 31, 2024

Phone: (847) 646-9797

Email: customerservice@rosemontexpo.com

Please contact the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center for information on the COVID-19 safety protocols. Additional exhibitor requirements based on Covid-19 guidance may be issued from time to time. https://rosemont.com/desconvention/

KEY CONTACTS

Please contact Show Management at any time with questions regarding your exhibit space, show schedule, registration or marketing opportunities.

Midwest Haunters Convention

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To help ensure the safety and security of all persons in the exhibit hall, Midwest Haunters Convention, the general contractor and the exhibit hall put the following Exhibit Rules & Regulations together. If at any time you have a question or concern regarding the Exhibit Rules & Regulations, please contact Midwest Haunters Convention at (847) 453-4285.

AGREEMENT TO RULES & REGULATIONS

By participating in **Midwest Haunters Convention**, exhibitors are responsible for compliance with all exhibit hall, general contractor and Midwest Haunters Convention rules & regulations. Please familiarize yourself with all rules and regulations. The general regulations governing Midwest Haunters Convention are printed on the back of your exhibit space contract.

CODE OF CONDUCT

We expect all Exhibitors in the Midwest Haunters Convention (MHC) to engage in respectful, considerate behavior towards each other and refrain from engaging in behavior or speech that is demeaning, discriminatory or harassing in any manner.

The Midwest Haunters Convention's Code of Conduct defines unacceptable behavior as behavior that includes (but is not limited to) the following:

- Creating a disturbance that is dangerous or interferes with the ability to transact business on the show floor, or creates apprehension in another person.
- Engaging in any aggressive or unwanted physical contact with other vendors, attendees and/or general staff.
- Making defamatory, harassing or demeaning remarks.
- Using profanity, sexually explicit/suggestive or offensive language, racial, religious or ethnic slurs.

Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated in the facility, on the show floor or at any MHC events. Participants determined to be in violation of these policies in the sole discretion of management will be asked to immediately discontinue their inappropriate behavior. If the behavior continues, management reserves the right to take immediate action to bar the attendee or the exhibitor from further participation in the MHC without the right of refund for unused days of attendance, seminar, or event tickets, or any booth fees or any costs associated with the trade show.

AISLES

All aisle space belongs to Show Management. No exhibit display, product or equipment will be allowed to extend beyond the space assigned to the exhibitor. This also prohibits extending items in the air over aisles (i.e., banners, display trusses, vehicle arms, scaffolding, etc.). If you are interested in purchasing sponsorship above your booth or across the aisle, please contact Jen Thaler at jen@haashow.com.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION PACKET

All exhibitors must pick up and sign for their Exhibitor Information Packet at the Registration Desk before booth setup.

BADGES AND WRISTBANDS

Every person on the exhibit floor must wear an Exhibitor Badge & Exhibitor Wristband at all times. Please see additional information on this topic on page 5 of this kit.

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

All exhibitors at Midwest Haunters Convention are required to supply a Certificate of Insurance for general liability naming Haunted Trade Shows LLC as Certificate Holder and Additional Insured. Exhibitors will not be allowed onto the show floor until a Certificate of Insurance is presented to the Midwest Haunters Convention.

Midwest Haunters Convention, its employees and contractors are not responsible for any loss to exhibitor by reason of theft, transportation perils, fire, breakage, etc. **Midwest Haunters Convention** requires each exhibitor to carry liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 bodily injury and property damage combined. Show management requires exhibitors to file a Certificate of Liability Insurance naming Haunted Trade Shows LLC, 1001 Green Bay, Road Suite, 308 Winnetka, IL 60093 as Certificate Holder and Additional Insured. **Please make sure that your COI is valid for all move in, trade show, and move out dates.** Exhibitors displaying or demonstrating rides must also supply a Certificate of Insurance that includes coverage for rides, both static and moving, as well coverage for audience participation, games and events. Exhibitors that will have a vehicle in their booth must also supply a Certificate of Insurance for Vehicle / Comprehensive General Liability. All certificates must be uploaded into the Exhibitor Directory Online Form by May 4th, 2024. You will receive a custom URL to access your Directory Form and upload your certi cate. Please see Page 6 for a sample Certificate of Insurance.

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SALE OF MERCHANDISE

Midwest Haunters Convention will be held in the city of Rosemont, in the county of Cook, in the state of Illinois. The state and county sales tax are currently 10.25%. Exhibitors making sales at the MHC are solely responsible for obtaining any licenses and/or seller's permits required by the city, county or state and for collecting and remitting sales tax. If you plan to make retail sales at show, you are responsible for collecting and remitting Illinois sales tax.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

The exhibitor is liable for any damage caused to building floors, walls, or columns, to standard booth equipment or to other exhibitors' property. The exhibitor may not apply paint, lacquer, adhesives, or other coatings to building, floors or to standard booth equipment. The exhibitor may also not drill, drive nails or screws into or otherwise damage building, floors or booth equipment.

DEMONSTRATIONS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

All demonstrations, interviews, and special activities must be contained within the limits of an exhibitor's assigned exhibit space. Distribution of printed material outside your assigned exhibit space is prohibited, unless approved by Show Management. Special events must be coordinated with Show Management. Under no circumstances will special events be permitted to conflict with official show hours. **No promotional activities or marketing activities may be conducted in the parking lot or in surrounding areas outside the exhibit hall during the show.**

DISABILITY PROVISIONS

Exhibitors shall have sole responsibility for ensuring that their exhibit is in full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and any other regulations implemented by that Act.

DISMANTLING OF BOOTH

Exhibitors' display and product may not be dismantled and packed in preparation for removal prior to the official closing of the show. Move-out and dismantling of display material and equipment cannot begin until the show floor has been cleared of attendees. Opening of freight doors will not proceed until the official closing of the show.

EARLY BOOTH BREAKDOWN PENALTY

Exhibitors may not start to break down their booths until 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 9th. Exhibitors caught breaking down their booth before that time will be charged a \$500 penalty, which must be paid before being allowed to book a booth for 2025.

ATMOSPHERIC PRODUCT RULES

Please make sure that you have reviewed all of the rules & regulations on the form included in this kit on Page 9. Only fast-dissipating fog may be demonstrated in an exhibitor's booth at the show. Please also make sure to fill out and submit the form on page 9 if you will be using atmospheric products.

FIRE REGULATIONS

All display materials must be fire resistant or treated with flame retardant solution to meet requirements of the standard flame test as provided in the local municipal code for fire protection. No obstruction, such as chairs, tables, displays, easels, or stanchions, will be allowed to protrude into the aisles. Access to all four sides of the hall columns must be maintained. Each exhibitor is charged with the knowledge of all laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to health, fire prevention and public safety while participating in the show. Compliance is mandatory and the sole responsibility of each exhibitor. Storage behind booth space is a fire hazard and will not be permitted.

FIRE HOSE CABINETS, PULL STATIONS, AISLES, EXITS, LOADING DOCKS, DOORS & RAMPS

Each of these must be visible and accessible at all times, including inside exhibit space. Chairs, tables, product and display equipment must be kept clear of aisles, corridors, stairways and other exits.

FOOD SERVICE

No food or beverage may be brought into the Convention Center from outside the facility. All food and beverage consumed on the premises must be provided by Aramark. For more information call (847) 692-6415.

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MUSIC

All exhibitors agree to obtain necessary licenses to play or perform live or recorded music and agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Show Management from any damages or expenses incurred by Show Management due to exhibitors use or authorization of use of such music.

SOUND LEVEL

Exhibitors must keep sound levels in their booth space to a reasonable level during the show. Midwest Haunters Convention reserves the right to determine when excessive sound, music, or other display activities interfere with other exhibitors' ability to conduct business. A reasonable level of below 80db will be enforced. Decibel levels will be monitored on the show floor during all show days.

SAFETY DEVICES

All exhibitors agree to accept full responsibility for compliance with national, state and city regulations in the provision and maintenance of adequate safety devices on all exhibited equipment. Exhibitors also agree to comply with all exhibit hall Fire & Safety regulations. If planning a demonstration of equipment, please notify show management by May 4th, 2024.

BALLOONS & AIRBORNE ITEMS

Helium-filled (floating) balloons and other floating airborne items are not permitted on the trade show floor.

SHOW REGULATIONS

Exhibitors shall abide by and observe all laws, rules and regulations of the United States, State of Illinois, City of Rosemont, Illinois Expo Inc., Illinois Center District, and Midwest Haunters Convention. Exhibitors shall observe and abide by additional regulations as published in this Exhibitor Service Kit.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Please contact Midwest Haunters Convention if you or a member of your staff has a disability that requires special services. Please submit your request in writing to Stephanie Geitner at stephanie@haashow.com or call (847) 453-4285 / fax (847) 453-9472. Wheelchairs & scooters can be rented from ScootAround.com or by calling (888) 441-7575.

MATERIAL HANDLING INFORMATION: OPTIONS FOR MOVING FREIGHT IN/OUT

Self delivery – You are welcome, and encouraged, to bring in your merchandise and displays. The convention center is a union facility however your booth package includes drayage. You may drive a POV to the center (car, SUV, minivan, box truck, etc.) and have help unloading and bringing the merchandise to your booth or tabletop. You are also welcome to ship your merchandise directly to the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center at no additional fee. RES has 2 loading docks and 2 overhead doors to bring in product. RES will have some wheel carts available for use, on a ¬first-come, ¬first-served basis only; however, you are welcome to bring your own.

Shipping to the convention center – You are also welcome to ship your merchandise directly to the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center at no additional fee. If you need to ship your product to the convention center you must schedule it to arrive on Thursday or Friday, our setup days. Shipments CAN NOT arrive any earlier than this as we do not have access to the hall and it will not be accepted. Shipments to the convention center WILL NOT BE CHARGED DRAYAGE by our decorator, RES.

Please note that the man doors and overhead doors will be available for move in from 8am to 6:00pm. However, at 4pm there will be no included labor to assist during self-move in. Furthermore, the dock doors will close at 4pm and there will be no access to the show floor from the docks. If you need help, and nobody is at the dock, please go to the RES service desk which is located on the left of the hall, if arriving from the back overhead garage or dock.

Please read The RES Exhibitor Kit and important pages such as the Show Information Page, Material Handling and Shipping Instructions. Please be aware of overtime rates on move-in days (Friday) that will apply after 4pm (if you need to order any labor or services from RES).

DIRECTORY, ONLINE DIRECTORY, EXHIBITOR BADGE & CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (TO BE FILLED OUT ONLINE)

The online directory forms must be completed by May 4th, 2024

Each exhibitor will receive a unique URL via email that will direct you to the Online Directory form. Please fill out your company information, staff badge names and upload your Certificate of Insurance form to the Exhibitor Directory online form. This information will be used for the official MHC Show Directory and to issue staff badges for your company. As a reminder, badges must be picked up on-site at the Exhibitor Registration counter; they will not be mailed to you. Each exhibitor must present their photo ID to pick up their badge. Each employee working a booth must pick up their own badge and show a photo ID as well. Online Directory forms must be completed by May 4th, 2024 and you will receive a reminder email periodically until you complete the Directory and check the box labeled "I confirm that my Directory information is now complete." Once you have completed all sections in the Online Directory form you will receive an email letting you know that this form has been completed and submitted.

BADGES AND WRISTBANDS

Badges and wristbands will be required to access the show floor at all times. Temporary staff badges will be available inside the dock doors; you may wear these temporary badges until you come up to the registration counter to pick up your permanent badges. Every person on the exhibit floor must wear an Exhibitor Badge & Exhibitor Wristband at all times. A photo ID will also be required each time you enter the show floor.

Security will be checking each and every person at the dock and lobby doors. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

- 4 Exhibitor Badges will be issued per FIRST 10' x 10' booth reserved
- 1 Exhibitor Badge will be issued per each additional 10' x 10' booth reserved
- Additional Exhibitor Badges can be purchased for \$35 in advance or \$40 on site

The online directory form must be completed by May 4th, 2024. Please be sure to pick up a temporary Exhibitor Badge near the dock when you arrive. You may pick up your Exhibitor Badges on site at the Exhibitor Registration Counter starting Friday, June 7th at 8:00 am. **A photo ID must be presented for each badge picked up.**

Please Note: There is a \$40 replacement fee per badge or wristband.

Please Note: If your company fails to fill out the online directory form your company information will be uploaded from our database for the MHC show directory only. Haunted Trade Shows LLC and the Midwest Haunters Convention will not be responsible for errors or omissions in the Show Directory.

Certificate of Insurance information can be found on Page 2 & 6 of this Exhibitor Kit. All exhibitors at any Haunted Trade Shows LLC event are now required to supply a Certificate of Insurance for general liability. Exhibitors will not be allowed onto the show floor until a COI has been presented to Haunted Trade Shows LLC.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 06/02/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s). CONTACT Insurance Agency Contact Information Insurance Agency Name PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): Agency Phone Number FAX (A/C, No): Address City, ST, Zip Code, EMARLESS: Insurance agency Contact Information email address INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: Insurance Company Name Exhibiting Company Name Street Address City, State, Zip Code INSURER E INSURER F : COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: REVISION NUMBER: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required) Vendor booth at Midwest Haunter's Convention at Donald E, Stephens Convention Center 5555 N. River Road, Rosemont, IL 60018 (June 6, 2024-June 9, 2024)

Haunted Trade Shows LLC is included as additional Insured with respect to the General Liability

CANCELLATION

Haunted Trade Shows LLC 1001 Green Bay Rd, #308 Winnetka, IL 60093 SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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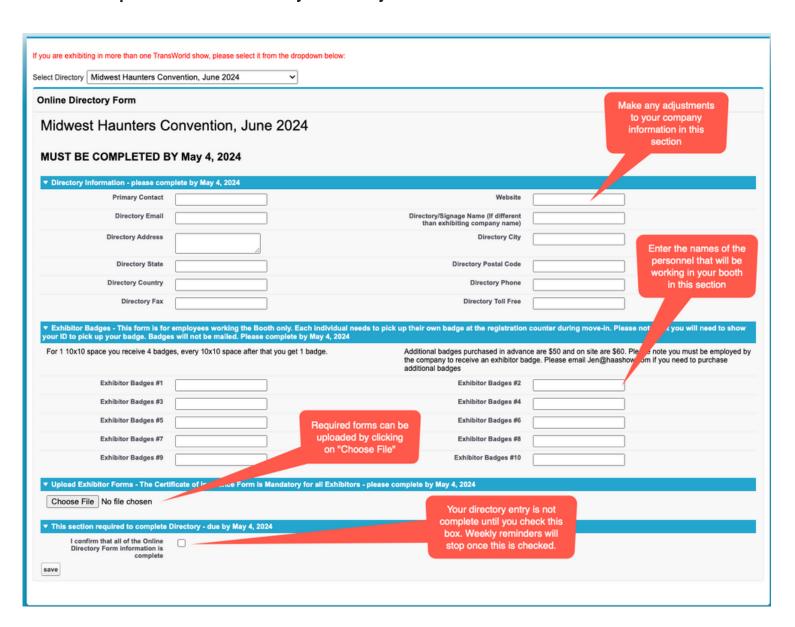
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DIRECTORY, ONLINE DIRECTORY, EXHIBITOR BADGE & CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (TO BE FILLED OUT ONLINE)

Below is a sample screenshot of the form you'll see at your custom URL:



REQUEST FOR BOOTH VARIANCE

Our intent is to provide each and every exhibitor a fair sight line. Please refer to the MHC Display Rules & Regulations. If you would like to request a variance for your booth, please fill out and include diagram for the variance requested. Each request will be reviewed on an individual basis.

DUE: May 4th, 2024

Please submit completed form to Stephanie Geitner:

Fax: (847) 453-9472

Email: stephanie@haashow.com

Question? Please of	ali Jen (847) 453-4285				
BOOTH #: PRIMARY CONTACT: _ TELEPHONE:		BOOTH CONFIGURATIO	TH CONFIGURATION: E: NUMBER:		
 Have you reviewed the MHC Show Display Rules & Regulations? Will the line-of-sight for neighboring booths be a ected by your requested variance? Please explain Variance Requested and include diagrams if possible. (Please submit additional page) 		☐ Yes☐ Yes☐ Yes☐ Yes☐ onal page if necessary):	□ No		
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FOG, SNOW & SCENT DISPENSING DISCLOSURE FORM

If you dispense fog, to create a more comfortable environment for everyone on the Show Floor, only water based fast dissipating fog fluid maybe dispersed in an exhibitor's booth. Other types of fog fluid products may be sold, but not dispersed during the show. If you intend to disperse fog fluid in your products or display, this form must be filled out and submitted to Show Management for approval by May 4th, 2024. If you require assistance in determining whether your fog fluid is water based and quick dissipating, please contact Show Management.

If you dispense snow, the machines in your booth must be adjusted so that snow falls only within the confines of your booth space. Snow machines must be operated on intervals and with appropriate velocity. If your snow is found blowing towards or in another booth you will be asked to turn off your machines and/or redirect them.

If you dispense scents, scents may only be dispensed upon buyer request and at a level as to not annoy neighboring companies and/or buyers in the aisles.

Any company failing to obtain prior approval of their use of fog or snow will not be permitted to disperse fog or snow fluid for any purpose in their booth. Any company found to be in violation of these rules during the show will be subject to removal from the 2024 show and will face a \$500.00 surcharge upon booking a subsequent show. Please note: Atmospheric products may not be tested on the show floor until Friday, June 10th. Designated hours will be sent to you at a later date.

Please complete and submit completed form to Stephanie Geitner:

Fax: (847) 453-9472

Email: stephanie@haashow.com

Company Name:			Booth #:	
Primary Contact:	Tel #:			
Fax #:		Email:		
Number of fog or snow m	achines that will have power and	will be running in your booth:		
Interval, output & duration	you expect to set each machine a	at:		
Explanation of how fog or	snow will be used in your booth (direct demo of machines, part of prop, etc.):	:	
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