# **COBO CENTER FIRE REGULATIONS | 2018 DETROIT BOAT SHOW**



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Show management, contractors and exhibitors must comply with all fire regulations of the City of Detroit. Particular rules governing use of compressed gases and other special circumstances will be made available upon request. Fire extinguishers are provided in a limited number by the Building. If Fire Marshal requires additional extinguishers on show floor, these may be signed for and obtained from the Building, if available, at nominal cost or must be provided by show management.

Show Management and Exhibitors will be required to comply at their own expense with all applicable Federal and State Laws; Municipal Ordinances; and Health, Safety and Fire Ordinances. In particular, attention is called to the more significant legal requirements which follow. These items are paraphrased and do not serve to relieve Show Management or Exhibitors of their obligation to inform themselves of the full content of the pertinent statutes. Except as otherwise provided by special rulings from the Detroit Fire Marshal, regulations of the Detroit Fire Department will prevail as follows:

- A. The area in front of all buildings and all exits must be maintained free of parking or storage.
- B. All exits must be maintained readily accessible at all times.
- C. All aisle ways to exits shall be maintained free and clear at all times. Aisle ways to exits shall not be blocked at any time by tables, chairs, benches or other obstructions.
- D. All draperies, backdrops, bunting and other decorations must be flame-proofed. All paper and other flimsy materials used for decorative purposes, including flame-proofed paper are prohibited. The use of a heavy cardboard shall be permitted in limited amounts.
- E. Cut trees, branches and shrubs are prohibited; unless maintained in soil in a natural state.
- F. The use of liquefied petroleum gases shall not be permitted unless approved by Fire Marshal.
- G. All vehicles and combustion operated machinery being exhibited shall contain a minimum amount of gasoline (approximately two (2) gallons maximum) and shall further be equipped with locking gas caps. After the vehicle/machinery is placed in its display position, batteries shall be disconnected, gas caps locked, and the keys to same retained in either the Show Management or Building Management Office.
- H. The use of open flame or the storage and handling of flammable liquids, chemicals or harmful hazardous substances are prohibited, unless approved by the Fire Marshal or applicable agency.
- I. Combustible crates and packing boxes must be removed after setup period to a proper storage area.
- J. Additional fire extinguishing equipment as determined by the Fire Marshal must be located throughout the area occupied by Permittee at the Permittee's expense.
- K. All fire extinguishing equipment must be unobstructed and accessible at all times.

## Double-deck Booths/Smoke Detectors

All double-deck booths or structures with closed solid ceiling booths must have hardwired electric powered smoke detectors. Electrically powered smoke detectors with a backup battery power source must be hardwired to a circuit that is powered 24 hours per day must be installed in the ceiling of all multi-level booths and all rooms or storage areas that have ceilings. *One (1) smoke detector must be installed for no more than 900 square feet of continuous ceiling*. The placement of smoke detectors must be 30 feet on center. Please be sure to advise Cobo's electrical contractor that you will need 24-hour circuits when placing your electrical order. In cases where a double-deck booth blocks building fire pull stations or strobe lights, additional approvals and measures to rectify such blockage of fire safety systems may be necessary.

### Natural Gas Hook-ups

All requests for natural gas hook-ups must be submitted to the Cobo Center Event Services Department. Cobo Center will then forward these requests to the Fire Marshal for approval. *NOTE: Natural gas is <u>not</u> available in all of the Cobo Center exhibit areas.* 

### **Toxic/Hazardous Materials**

All toxic and hazardous materials, gases, liquids or solids, are and remain the property of the show or the exhibitor bringing such materials onto Cobo Center property. Use of these materials may require additional insurance coverage. At least 45 days in advance of event move-in, the Event Services Manager must be advised of toxic and hazardous materials being brought to the building. Information needed is: Chemical name of material, trade name of material, hazardous component, flammability, date of arrival, place of storage, how contained, size and number of containers, exhibitor name and booth number, description of use, date of removal, how and by whom to be removed, contact person at supplying company, contact person at Cobo Center. A data sheet is to be in each booth and given to Fire Marshal for each material.

Above information will be reviewed by building staff, the Fire Marshal, and other regulatory agencies. Any specific instructions on storage, use, disposal or removal must be followed. Toxic or hazardous materials are subject to immediate removal from premises if required information is not received or instructions are not followed. All costs associated with safe handling of these materials are to be borne by show management.

By end of the move-out period all toxic and hazardous material must be removed from the Cobo Center premises. Materials are not to be left behind after exhibitor(s), show management and contractor have left the premises. Responsibility for verifying actual removal of materials from the property rests with show management. Should any materials be left and Cobo Center therefore be forced to have the materials removed, costs for such removal including containers, material testing, transportation, disposal, and any other related costs, plus a twenty-five percent (25%) nonperformance penalty charge, will be billed to show management.

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