

# BMO CENTRE STAMPEDE PARK

January 9 - 11, 2026

### **Rules & Regulations**

## booth design & construction

Please see the Booth Design Guidelines document in the <u>Exhibitor Kit</u> on our website for complete details.

### cleaning

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning their exhibit or having it done through Global Exhibition Services at an additional cost (vacuuming, dusting, garbage removal, etc.).

Please clean and empty paints, aerosols, etc. into the container provided in the wash rack at the back of the East Hall of the BMO Centre.

#### customs broker

For all customs related concerns, please contact our official customs broker Cross Connect at (416) 639-2176 or <a href="mailto:info@crossconnectcl.com">info@crossconnectcl.com</a>.

### display vehicles

Exhibitors who wish to have a vehicle in their exhibit space must inform Show Management of their intent and purpose prior to February 6, 2026. Safety precautions are needed, and sponsorship regulations may prohibit certain types of vehicles. Any vehicle driving onto or off the show floor must have a Floor Manager to act as a "spotter" to direct the vehicle. Please contact your Exhibit Sales Consultant for approval and delivery scheduling.

Motor vehicles or gasoline powered equipment on the show floor that are a part of the show and are remaining in the building, must only have ¼ of a tank or 20 liters, whichever is less.

# draws or contests

All contests must be sent to Show Management prior to show open.

Please fill in the Contest Request Form located in the <u>Exhibitor Kit</u> and return it no later than <u>February 6</u>, <u>2026</u>, to <u>zoew@mpeshows.com</u>.

Information obtained from the ballots is to be used solely by the exhibitor who collected the information and solely for the purpose mentioned on the ballot.

Show Management reserves the right to terminate any contest, by removing ballots from the booth, if it does not comply with the Competition Act, or with Show

Management Regulations. For more information on the Competitions Act please contact the Competition Bureau at 1-800-348-5358. Names of winners must be submitted to Marketplace Events.

## electrical services

Exhibitors are responsible for ordering any and all electrical services you will need through Calgary Stampede Event Services. Electrical outlets, such as 100-volt and 220-volt electrical service, are available at standard show rates. If you require accent lighting, spots or additional power, this is available on a rental basis through the Calgary Stampede Event Services. Discount pricing is available prior to the show – please check the Exhibitor Kit for the deadline and order form.

# exhibitor (staff) badges

Complimentary exhibitor badges will be provided based on the square footage of exhibit space purchased. There will be a \$10.00 charge for each additional badge ordered. Badges will NOT be issued to anyone under the age of 14.

If you require additional badges, please fill out the Extra Exhibitor Badge Order Form located in the Exhibitor Kit and return it by February 6, 2026.

Exhibitor badges must be picked up at the Show Office during Move-In. Exhibit space must be paid for in full before you can start moving in your booth and pick up exhibitor badges.

#### Please make sure your staff is aware of a \$10.00 fee to replace lost badges.

Exhibitors must wear their badges during show hours. Do not leave them in your booth. Your exhibitor badge must be shown to security to gain admittance to the show. It is imperative that your staff are informed of this policy as they may be refused entry without a badge. We appreciate your co-operation and courtesy in this matter.

### facility care

Painting, nailing, drilling or screwing into the floor, walls or any part of the **building is not permitted except by prior approval of both Marketplace Events and Building Management.** 

For further guidelines and regulations, please also refer to the information indicated under the heading "flooring."

# food & beverage sampling

Any exhibitor selling or sampling food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverage items **MUST** fill out forms for both Stampede and AHS. Please refer to the **Exhibitor Kit** for more details and forms. Samples are restricted to a **2-ounce liquid portion (maximum) or a toothpick size food portion (maximum).** Calgary Exhibition and AHS reserves the right to close any concession not following regulations.

If required, please make sure you have made proper arrangements with Stampede to order a hand wash station, blue boys or water hook-ups as they are not provided by Marketplace Events. Water hook-ups are not always accessible in every booth location. As an exhibitor you are responsible for draining your own holding tank - we ask you drain your tank in the dish rack room which is by Overhead Door 5.

Please fill out the Alberta Health Vendor Application and the Calgary Stampede Concessionaire Agreement and return it to the appropriate suppliers no later than 30 days prior to the event. Please send copies of both forms to the show team for their records. Applications can be found in the Exhibitor Kit.

#### forklift services

Forklift services are provided by our Show Decorator, Global Convention Services. If you require a forklift to drop your items off at your booth location, at no cost. If you require additional forklift services within your booth location, there is a fee for this service.

## fire regulations & flame proofing

- As per the Calgary Fire Department Indoor Special Events Requirements Guide, all materials (sheds and fabric coverings on display pop-ups; temporary structures including signage in and hung above a booth) must have a **permanently attached label (sewn in by the manufacturer)** indicating conformance to CAN/ULC-S109 or NFPA 701, Flame Tests of Flame-Resistant Fabrics and Films.
- ➤ If the above information is not available, provide proof the material has been treated with a fire retardant product. Include the product name, the date applied, a sample of fabric that has been subjected to a flame test in accordance with NFPA 705 "Field Flame Test for Textiles and Films", and an unburned sample for testing.
- > Any materials without the proper labeling will be removed from the show floor immediately.
- Neither your booth, nor the gas connections, may infringe on the booth behind or beside you. Gas connections must be accessible at all times, in the event of an emergency.
- Highly visible signage must be used on each burn unit to warn parents of a burn hazard to children.

Any companies looking to use burn barrels, candles, ceremonial smoldering or any type of open flame outside of a performance will have to apply for a City of Calgary Open Flame Permit. Please see the link below and contact your Exhibit Sales Consultant for further information.

http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Fire/Pages/Fire-codes/Open-flames.aspx

# first aid and accident/incident reporting

All incidents/accidents that occur on-site must be reported to security and Show Management immediately.

First aid services are located onsite during move-in, move-out and show days to respond to medical emergencies. Please visit the onsite Show Office or contact Casey Matulic, Show Manager at 905.220.9676.

### flooring

#### Appropriate floor covering is mandatory and must cover the entire surface of your exhibit.

This could be carpet, interlocking stone, ceramic tile, linoleum, etc. 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. If two-sided adhesive tape is used, it must be completely removed by the exhibitor while dismantling.

#### **Building Management strictly prohibits the following:**

- > The fastening of material to concrete floors by means of ramset fasteners or masonry nails.
- The fastening of nailing strips to any of the building walls, by any means.
- The painting of floors or walls in any part of the building.

To provide unobstructed emergency access and egress during move-in/move-out, freight free aisles will be designated. Freight free aisles will be regularly monitored by the floor managers

# freight free aisles & emergency exits

and all items found in these aisles (such as crates, carpet, boxes, etc.) will be required to be moved immediately.

In addition to the freight free aisles, it is also essential that all emergency exits from the building be kept clear. Similar to the freight free aisles, all items found blocking the emergency exits will be asked to be cleared immediately by the floor managers.

To provide sufficient workspace, move-in times assigned must be noted and respected. Exhibitors are encouraged to carefully plan their move-in and only move in display items as required (i.e. move in office furniture once carpet is laid). We appreciated your cooperation with this policy.

### helium balloons, popcorn & peanuts in the shell

Helium balloons, popcorn or peanuts (in the shell) are NOT permitted in the show!

#### accommodation

Marketplace Events has appointed **The Calgary Marriott Downtown** as our official host hotel. Please refer to the **Exhibitor Kit** for more information on the accommodation and discounted exhibitor rate.

#### insurance

Marketplace Events LLC, Calgary Fall Home Show, or the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, <u>will</u> <u>not</u> be responsible for injury to persons, nor the loss or damage of products, exhibits, equipment or decorations by fire, accident, theft or any other cause while in the show building or its environs.

No alcohol may be consumed on show site other than during designated times and locations as specified in this Exhibitor Service Manual and/or on posted signage by the show facility/convention center. Alcohol consumption is strictly forbidden during all move-in and move-out hours. Additionally, the use or distribution of illegal drugs is strictly forbidden. Any persons including exhibitors, service providers, employees, attendees or anyone else working at or attending the show that does not comply with this policy will be removed from the show and their credentials will be revoked.

EXHIBITORS MUST CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN INSURANCE BROKER TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT INSURANCE AGAINST ALL RISKS TO EITHER PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT AND PUBLIC LIABILITY.

Please send a COI to <u>zoew@mpeshows.com</u> no later than February 6, 2026.

More information is in the <u>Exhibitor Kit</u>.

If you currently do not have any insurance for your company for the duration of the show, you have the option of purchasing temporary insurance for a specific amount of days, as determined by your move in and out times.

# material handling

Crates (not cartons) will be stored for the duration of the show and returned to exhibitors after 7PM, **Sunday, March 1, 2026**. Each crate must have the company name and booth number clearly marked. Labels may be obtained from the Show Office or Global Exhibition Services.

If you require the use of heavy-duty unloading equipment, you are requested to notify Marketplace Events at least **two weeks prior to show time** so that arrangements can be made to have it available. The cost of renting and operating such equipment must be borne by the exhibitor. Exhibitors who can supply their own trucks and dollies are urged to do so.

### microphones

The use of microphones is NOT permitted on the show floor unless approved by Show Management.

#### move-in

## ABSOLUTELY NO CHILDREN UNDER 14 ALLOWED ON THE FLOOR DURING MOVE-IN AND/OR MOVE-OUT.

All exhibits must be ready by 11:30am, Thursday, February 26, 2026.

Please refer to the **Exhibitor Kit** for information regarding move in. This should be posted within a month prior to the show.

There will be no access through the front or side entrances. Move-in will be through the back entrances only.

Security guards will be posted at all move-in doors. The floor director will patrol entrances.

#### move-out

Removal or dismantling of exhibits or exhibit materials will NOT be permitted before 6:00 PM on Sunday, March 1, 2026 (1 hour delay to allow for aisle carpet removal). Early dismantling of your booth may prevent your future participation in our shows.

Exhibitors are strongly urged to remove all cartons and open cases of product from the building immediately after the close of the show. While Marketplace Events will take all reasonable security measures to safeguard small items, immediate removal of such items will minimize the possibility of loss from pilferage.

The same move-out door system as during move-in will be in effect. Security will patrol the front entrances, with one supervisor on the floor. Exhibitors must post staff in their booth during move-out to secure their merchandise.

Exhibitors are reminded that charges will be made by the Calgary Exhibition & Stampede for equipment and material left in the building after 12pm Monday, March 2, 2026.

### parking

The City of Calgary directly controls and patrols **ALL** parking. Parking is \$18 per day, however there is a discounted lot off 11<sup>th</sup> Ave for \$12 a day. Please refer to the **Exhibitor Kit** for a map of all parking at Stampede.

### press releases

Exhibitors are urged to provide The Adams Agency with press clippings and photographs of any new products being shown. Please let Show Management know if this applies to you.

# propane/natural gas/compressed air

If any propane or natural gas fired equipment is to be displayed in an exhibitor's booth, the exhibitor must contact Show Management, prior to move-in, explaining the nature of the equipment. Requests will then be submitted to the Safety Engineers for approval, rejection or limitations.

Any companies looking to use burn barrels, candles, ceremonial smoldering or any type of open flame outside of a performance will have to apply for a City of Calgary Open Flame Permit. Please see the link below and contact your Exhibit Sales Consultant for further information.

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#### public relations

Marketplace Events has appointed The Adams Agency as our official provider of public relations for the Calgary Fall Home Show. Please let Show Management know if you require their services.

#### security service

Exhibitors are responsible for their own booth security. Security guards will be on duty 24-hours a day throughout move-in, show days, and move-out. They are there to safeguard your interests. Please extend them your fullest co-operation and courtesy in the performance of their duties. Help them do their jobs and always wear your exhibitor badges when trying to enter the building prior to show open.

Exhibitors are asked to report any losses to the Show Office immediately. Security personnel will investigate. Show Management assumes no responsibility for losses.

### sheds/canopies/ temporary structures

Please note that tents and canopies are NOT permitted on the show floor. As per the Calgary Fire Department Indoor Special Events Requirements Guide, all materials (tents, sheds, canopies, and fabric coverings on display pop-ups; temporary structures including signage in and hung above a booth) must have a permanently attached label (sewn in by the manufacturer) indicating conformance to CAN/ULC-S109 or NFPA 701, Flame Tests of Flame-Resistant Fabrics and Films.

If the above information is not available, provide proof the material has been treated with a fire-retardant product. Include the product name, the date applied, a sample of fabric that has been subjected to a flame test in accordance with NFPA 705 "Field Flame Test for Textiles and Films", and an unburned sample for testing.

Any materials without the proper labeling will be removed from the show floor immediately.

Booths that include tents, canopies or other structures having between 9.3 m<sup>2</sup> (100 ft.<sup>2</sup>) and 27.9 m<sup>2</sup> (300 ft.<sup>2</sup>) of roof, ceiling or other obstruction MUST have a listed single station **smoke alarm.** 

A structure as described above with a source of ignition is also required to have a **2A-10BC fire extinguisher**.

Please ensure that your package label(s) includes the following:

#### shipping

Shipper Name and Cell:

Event Name: Event Date (February 26 – March 1, 2026):

Event Venue Name: BMO Centre

Event Manager Name (Marketplace Events):

**Exhibitor Name:** 

Box (number) of (total shipment): Onsite contact name & number:

Address: Calgary Stampede BMO Centre - Door #21 20 Roundup Way SE Calgary, AB, T2T 2W1

Note: Due to security risks, packages not properly marked will be refused.

Only prepaid shipments will be accepted on-site during move-in. Management reserves the right to refuse non-paid shipments.

Due to the volume of business that takes place on Stampede Park, **the Calgary Stampede CANNOT accept shipments prior to the first move-in day**. This is a result of all the events taking place on park grounds and we do not want packages getting misplaced. Please see the Calgary Stampede **Shipping/Receiving Procedures document** for complete details.

#### show decorator

The official Show Decorator is Global Convention Services. Leading up to the show, they will be in touch with you should you need any of the following:

- Furniture Rental (tables, chairs, etc.)
- Sign Writing/Banner Orders
- Carpet Rentals
- Draping
- Display Set-up Assistance
- On-Site Labour and Cleaning

### show floor safety

The set up and tear down of an exhibit floor is defined by law as a construction zone. As such, safety shoes, protective eye, headgear and harness (as necessary) are strongly recommended in most cases and required in others. Keep your work area clean and tidy. Un-secured wires, trip hazards and sharp edges are everyone's concerns.

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### show management

The Calgary Home + Garden Show is managed and produced by:

Marketplace Events LLC

P.O. Box 70060 Rimrock Plaza PO

Toronto, ON, M3J 0H3 **Phone (403) 253.1177** 

#### **ON-SITE SHOW OFFICE**

(Effective February 23 – March 2, 2026)

Casey Matulic	Show Manager	587.323.6103	905.220.9676
Ashburn Morgan	Exhibit Sales (A - E, #s)	587.323.6113	
Mary Ramsdale	Exhibit Sales (F – P)	587.323.6120	
Alex Black	Exhibit Sales (Q - Z)	587.323.6101	
Zoe Watters	Show Coordinator	587.674.1975	

### signage

Please see the Booth Design Guidelines document in the <u>Exhibitor Kit</u> on our website for all signage rules.

Management has appointed Global Convention Services as the sign contractor. We suggest that you order your signs well in advance of the show.

Any signs hung above a booth by Calgary Stampede Event Services must have proof that the sign complies with Fire Regulation and rating CAN/ULC-S109.

Price signs pertaining to competition are not permitted. Where price must be advertised, signs must be small, neat and inoffensive, and Marketplace Events shall have the right to prescribe the character and number.

Banners to be hung — Please contact Calgary Stampede Event Services well in advance of the show (order forms are in the Exhibitor Kit online) to arrange for banner hanging. Banners cannot always be hung over your exhibit due to the limitations of the ceiling beams. Any banners or signage deemed inappropriate by Show Management will be removed at the exhibitor's expense.

# slips, trips & falls

During move-in, there may be a considerable amount of debris, water and snow on the floors that can cause potential injury. We ask that exhibitor's onsite employees and/or suppliers/contractors be continuously aware of their surroundings and alert to potential hazards. In addition, everyone must comply with the following procedures:

- All work areas/booth spaces are to be kept in reasonable order and materials not in use (i.e.: tools, wood, etc.) be appropriately stored.
- Reinforce with employees positioning of materials at booths to minimize congestion as much as possible.
- > Reinforce with employees placing waste in appropriate waste containers.
- All vehicles entering the buildings must have competent drivers and ensure that precautions are taken to avoid excess snow, rain, oil, etc. on the show floor.
- All vehicles and trailers must be in proper working condition with no fluid leaks.
- Utilize the minimum amount of packaging required and return packaging when possible (i.e.: wood, reusable packaging, etc.)
- Notify Show Management of any unsafe practices or conditions noticed that could pose a potential hazard.

### smoking by-law

Calgary Exhibition & Stampede has been deemed a "Non-Smoking & Non-Vaping" building guided by the City by-law 57M92. Smoking and Vaping are permitted outside the building only.

#### soliciting

Soliciting is not permitted in the aisles, in other exhibitor's booths, at any building entrance/exit, or anywhere on the grounds of Stampede Park.

Soliciting of business and distribution of sample, souvenirs, and literature, including solicitation by costumed personnel, must be confined to the exhibitor's space.

Solicitation of exhibitors or visitors by non-exhibitors is strictly prohibited and should be reported to Show Management immediately.

#### sound systems

Home entertainment, music and other exhibitors producing sound must keep sound to a minimum within their own exhibit. Show Management reserves the right to control sound levels or in the event it becomes a nuisance to other exhibitors.

The use of live bands, recorded music, public address systems, etc., is not permitted on the show floor or within the grounds of the BMO Centre unless authorized by Show Management.

**Cutting is not permitted on the show floor, unless it is done within a cutting tent.** There are cutting stations set up outside.

# cutting of materials

Due to the hazards related to stone cutting, exhibitors are requested to pre-cut stone off site prior to the move-in. Stone cutting is not permitted at the booth. All sage work practices must be followed during any stone cutting activity. You must keep the stone cutting area clean and free of any hazards or waste material.

# subletting of exhibit space

Exhibitors are NOT PERMITTED TO SUBLET their space to another company or product without prior <u>written</u> permission from Marketplace Events. Violators will be removed from the show.

# telephone service

Exhibitors must make their own arrangements for phone service in their booth.

#### use of tools

Hand and power operated hand tools may need to be utilized on the show floor, please review the following requirements for the use of tools:

- ➤ Ensure all staff operating tools are competent and knowledgeable on the proper and safe operation of such tools. Pre-show training, regarding the operation of power operated hand tools, is recommended as required.
- ➤ Ensure all move-in and move-out staff are properly equipped with the appropriate tools for completing tasks. All power tools must be in safe working condition with the appropriate safety mechanisms.
- ➤ All staff operating tools are required to wear appropriate personal safety equipment. Safety gloves and glasses are essential when risk of hand and eye injuries is high.

#### vehicular traffic

In order to maintain freight free aisles and avoid congestion, vehicles allowed on the show floor at any one time will be restricted.

The loading area can become very congested and therefore all exhibitors are asked to respect their move-in times as per the schedule.

For those exhibitors with small loads, dollies will be on loan to assists with the transfer of material to the booth location, we ask that this be done safely and efficiently and that your vehicle be moved as soon as possible to allow your fellow exhibitors the space to also move-in.

If you do require access onto the show floor with your vehicle, there are a couple of policies you need to follow:

- Obtain approval from Show Management
- All drivers must be competent and capable of maneuvering in confined spaces. They need to respect the rules of the road and show floor.
- All vehicles and trailers need to be in proper working condition with lights, brakes, transmission, etc.
- A spotter must be used to escort the vehicle and for all reversing vehicles.
- Maximum speeds posted must be respected. When on the show floor, vehicles will not be allowed to drive faster than walking speed.
- Idling must be kept to a minimum while in the building.
- We ask that vehicles are clear of snow, ice or mud prior to entering the show floor.

# working at heights & the use of ladders

There are many situations where working at heights is necessary. In order to avoid injury, we require the following procedures to be followed:

- Proper extension devices (i.e.: ladders) must be used. Ladders higher than 10' are not permitted for safety reasons.
- ltems such as tables, chairs, boxes etc. shall not be used to lift a person or to be stood upon.
- All ladders should be maintained in safe working order with suitable heights, weight loads, non slip footings, rung spacing and tethers capable for what they are subject to (must be CSA Approved).
- ➤ When in use, ladders also need to be placed on a firm non-slip ground surface.
- Ensure onsite employees and/or suppliers/contractors working at heights comply with all the local fall arrest and fall protection legislated requirements.
- > Proper fall protective equipment (i.e.; lanyard and safety harness) must be worn when working at heights over 3 meters.
- Ensure a safe and engineered approved anchor is used as the fixed support system for fall protection equipment and that the anchor system meets weight and height requirements for the task.
- Ladders are not to be used as working platforms. If working at a height is required for an extended period, proper platforms must be used.
- ➤ All Exhibitors, on-site employees and/or suppliers/contractors working at heights must be trained and understand the proper use of fall protection equipment and extension devices.