



2008 APWA International Public Works Congress & Exposition

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OFFICIAL SERVICE CONTRACTORS

Show Management, acting on behalf of all Exhibitors and in the best interest of the exposition, has appointed Official Service Contractors to perform and provide necessary services and equipment. Official Service Contractors are appointed to:

- Insure the orderly and efficient installation and removal of the overall exposition,
- Assure the distribution of labor to all Exhibitors according to need,
- Provide sufficient labor to satisfy the requirements of Exhibitors and for the exposition itself,
- See that the proper type and limits of insurance are in force, and
- Avoid any conflict with local union and/or exhibit hall regulations and requirements.

The Official Service Contractors will provide all usual trade show services, including labor. Exceptions are:

- a. Supervision may be provided by the Exhibitor.
- b. The Exhibitor may appoint an exhibit installation contractor or display builder.

In both such instances, GES shall have no liability to any party for damage or injuries caused by exhibitor or its third party agents.

EXHIBITOR APPOINTED CONTRACTORS

Exhibitors may employ the service of independent contractors to install and dismantle their display, providing the Exhibitor and the installation and dismantling contractor comply with the following requirements:

1. The Exhibitor must notify Show Management in writing and GES Exposition Services of the intention to utilize an independent contractor no later than 30 days prior to the first move-in day, furnishing the name, address and telephone number of the firm.
2. The Exhibitor shall provide evidence that the Exhibitor Appointed Contractor has proper certificates of insurance with at least the minimum as described below, unless show management requires more
 - a. Comprehensive General Liability not less than \$1,000,000 with respect to injuries to any one person in an occurrence.
 - b. \$2,000,000 with respect to injuries to more than one person in any occurrence.
 - c. Workers' Compensation Insurance including employee liability coverage, in a minimum amount not less than \$1,000,000 of individual and/or aggregate coverage and/or statutory limitation.
 - d. **GES Exposition Services and Show Management must be named as additional insureds.**

Any exhibitor who has identified a exhibitor appointed contractor, "EAC" must insure that the EAC has a current Certificate of Insurance on file with GES or Show Management, evidencing the correct coverage at least 10 days prior to the first date of move-in for the show or the EAC will not be able to have access to the facility to perform any work.
3. The exposition floor, aisles, loading docks, service and storage areas will be under the control of the Official Service Contractor, GES Exposition Services.
4. For services such as electrical, plumbing, telephone, cleaning, and drayage, no contractor other than the Official Service Contractors will be approved. This regulation is necessary of licensing, insurance, and work done on equipment and facilities owned by parties other than the Exhibitor. Exhibitors shall provide only the material and equipment they own and is to be used in their exhibit space.
5. The Exhibitor Appointed Contractor:
 - a. Must agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the show, as outlined in this exhibitor manual, including all union rules and regulations.
 - b. Must have all business licenses, permits, and Worker's Compensation Insurance required by the State and City governments and the convention facility management prior to commencing work, and shall provide Show Management with evidence of compliance. All Certificates of Insurance shall name GES Exposition Services, Inc. (Official Contractor), National Trade Productions (Show Management), Ernest N. Morial Convention Center (Facility), and 2008 APWA International Public Works Congress & Exposition (Show) as additional insureds. See attached example.
 - c. Will share with GES Exposition Services all reasonable costs related to its operation, including but not limited to overtime pay for stewards, restoration of exhibit space to its initial condition.
 - d. Must furnish Show Management and GES Exposition Services with the names of all on-site employees who will be working on the exposition floor and see that they have and wear at all times necessary identification badges as determined by Show Management.
 - e. Shall be prepared to show evidence that it has a valid authorization from the Exhibitor for services. The Exhibitor Appointed Contractor may not solicit business on the exhibit floor.
 - f. Must confine its operations to the exhibit area of its clients. No service desks, storage areas, or other work facilities will be located anywhere in the building. The show aisles and public space are not a part of the Exhibitor's booth space and must be kept clear.
 - g. Shall provide, if requested, evidence to GES Exposition Services that it possesses applicable and current labor contracts and must comply with all labor agreements and practices. The Exhibitor Appointed Contractor must not commit or allow to be committed by persons in its employment any acts that could lead to work stoppages, strikes, or labor problems.
 - h. Must coordinate all of its activities with GES Exposition Services.
 - i. Must comply with all reasonable rules and regulations of the venue, Show Management, and/or Official Services Contractor in order to create a safe work environment. A failure to do so can result in a delay or termination of your right to continue if the condition cannot be corrected.
6. All information must be received in the GES Exposition Services office no later than 10 days prior to the show.