



## SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

The following show rules and regulations are supplemental to and are incorporated by reference in the **Exhibit Space Reservation and Contract** between Log Home Living Institute (HBP), and your company as exhibitor, and govern the use of the exhibit space contracted for as if they had been fully set forth in the Exhibit Space Reservation and Contract.

In reading these rules and regulations, “we” and “us” means the Home Buyer Publications, Inc., and authorities of the show facility (Convention Center), and Federal governments as appropriate. “You” means your company and its authorized representatives and personnel. Where a specific entity or governmental body is required, we will identify them by name.

### Responsibility

It is your responsibility to be fully familiar with these show rules and regulations and to see that each member of your company attending the show is also familiar with these regulations. We recommend that you distribute copies to all those who will be present for the show.

### Contract for Space

Our acceptance of your order for a booth, assignment of exhibit space to you, and the full payment of rental charges, constitutes a contract for rental of space assigned. If you fail to occupy your exhibit space you still have the obligation of paying the full rental price. Space may be denied at any point for supplying false information.

### Payment for Space

Full payment for the contracted booth space must be received prior to the setup of your exhibit booth. Pre-Payment of all shows is **REQUIRED**. No payments will be accepted at the show. We reserve the right to cancel your booth space reservations if the full amount of the booth space has not been received 30 days prior to the show.

Please send all booth payments to 4125 Lafayette Center Drive, Suite 100, Chantilly, Virginia 20151. Please include the show name and location, as well as company name, booth number and order number with all payments. Check payments should be made out to LHLI.

### Exhibitor Cancellation

In the event an exhibitor cancels all or part of the exhibit space contracted for, the exhibitor must do so in writing and will be obligated to pay HBP fees based on the following schedule:

If Canceled:	Exhibit Space Rental Due:
Prior to 60 days	0%
60-30 days out	50%
30 days out	100%

### Assignment of Exhibit Space

We reserve the right to make final space reassignments after your application is accepted should it be necessary in the best interest of the show, as determined solely by us. No space will be assigned without payment (non-refundable deposit). You have the right to a full refund if our reassignment is not acceptable to you.

### Occupancy of Space Deadline

All exhibits must be completed and ready for inspection by show management and the fire marshal by 10:00am on Friday. At this time, any display violations will be noted and reported to the exhibitor. Failure to correct any violations by the time the show opens to the public at 12:00pm will result in a fine.

Show Management reserves the right to rent or fill any exhibit space that has not been occupied by 10:00am on Friday, or at any time thereafter.

### Exhibit Installation

Exhibit Installation hours are as follows:

Wednesday - Structures, 20' x20' or larger booths only, 10:00am - 8:00pm (unless approved in advance by Show Management)

Thursday - All other exhibits, 8:00am - 8:00pm

At approximately 3:00pm on Thursday, installation of aisle carpeting will begin. All vehicles, exhibit materials, crates, and dollies must be removed from all aisles by 3:00pm. Exhibit materials may only be hand carried to booth after 3:00pm.

### **Driving on the Floor**

Vehicles should off-load at loading docks when possible. Vehicles permitted to drive on floor must be attended at all times and removed immediately after unloading. No vehicles are permitted on the hall carpet. There is a \$500 fine for driving onto any part of the carpet.

Final closing time is 4:00pm on Sunday. No dismantling or packing may begin prior to closing time. There is a \$100 fine for tearing down early. Following are the designated dismantling times: 4:00pm - 12 midnight, Sunday. Some shows will allow for additional move-out hours on Monday, 8am - 12 noon. Check with Show Management onsite to confirm move-out times.

### **Exhibitor Badges**

Exhibitor badges for the show will be available on-site for you and your employees. All persons working in your booth will, in effect, be your employees during the length of the show and you are fully responsible for any liability that may occur.

### **Liability and Insurance**

All exhibitors must fax or mail in advance, a current Certificate of Liability Insurance of no less than \$1M. This proof must also be in your booth during all phases (including move-in and move-out) of the show.

You must obtain insurance coverage for all your exhibit merchandise at site and in transit inclusive of business interruption insurance, if applicable. We will not be held responsible for any loss or damage, however incurred. You must carry your own fire insurance and public liability insurance of not less than one million dollars. *(If you do not already hold appropriate liability coverage we suggest contacting K&K Insurance at: [www.KandKinsurance.com](http://www.KandKinsurance.com). You will be looking for the Concessionaries, Exhibitors & Vendors Enrollment Form).*

Neither HBP nor the Convention Center, shall be liable to exhibitor, its agents, employees, contractors, patrons, guests, licensees or to any other person whomsoever for any injury or damage to person or property caused by or arising out of any act, omission or neglect of exhibitor, its agents, contractors, employees, patrons, guests, licensees, invitees or any person entering the Convention Center, under express or implied invitation by exhibitor, or for any damage to the person or property of third parties arising out or user of either the licensed booth space or the building area in which such booth is located; and exhibitor hereby agrees to

indemnify and hold HBP and/or the Convention Center and their agents, servants and employees free and harmless from and against any loss, including reasonable counsel fees, arising out of any liability incurred in accordance with the foregoing. The exhibitor assumes the entire responsibility and liability for losses, damages and claims deriving out of injury or damage to exhibitor's displays, equipment and other property brought upon the premises of the Convention Center and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Convention Center, HBP and their agents, servants and employees from any such losses, damages and claims inclusive of reasonable counsel fees. Exhibitor acknowledges that neither the Convention Center nor HBP maintains insurance covering such losses by the exhibitor.

Exhibitor will be liable for any damage caused to floors (including carpeting), walls or columns, or to standard booth equipment or to other exhibitors' property. No signs or other articles are to be fastened to walls or fixtures or electrical equipment. Use of thumbtacks, screws, bolts or any tool or material which may mark the floor or wall is prohibited. Exhibitors are also responsible to comply with all rules and regulations contained in the Exhibitor Service Manual.

### **Space Restrictions**

Your exhibit must be confined to the exact space allocated. Circulars, publications, advertising matter and all kinds of promotional giveaways may be distributed only within your booth space. Nothing can be posted on, tacked, nailed, screwed in, taped or otherwise attached to columns, walls, ceilings, floors, electrical outlets or other parts of the building or furniture. Signs, rails, logs or roof over hangs, etc. will not be permitted to intrude into or over aisles or other booth space. You will be liable for any damage caused to floors (including carpeting), walls or columns, or standard booth equipment or to other exhibitor's property.

### **Character of Exhibits**

Each exhibit shall be in keeping with the general nature of the show. HBP shall be entitled to limit or require change in any exhibit that interferes with other exhibitors or general movement, is either excessively noisy or carnival-like in presentation or does not conform to the regulations herein or to any agency having jurisdiction at the convention site. All exhibitor activities shall be conducted solely within licensed space, and use of all aisle space and other public areas of the show are reserved to HBP. Canvassing, solicitation of business or the use of advertising materials or signs by firms other than those who have contracted for space is prohibited. Distribution by the exhibitor of circulars, catalogues or other advertising materials for firms that are not exhibitors is prohibited. Failure to adhere to these rules will result in a fine.

If the reverse side of your exhibit's back wall, side wall, riser or display is exposed to view, that part of your display must be suitably draped so that no part of the display construction, electrical wiring, or the like, can be seen from the aisles or adjoining booths belonging to other exhibitors.

Height limitations and other restrictions pertaining to the design of exhibits and use in the booth of pedestals, tables, racks, shelves, risers and similar display equipment are described in detail under "Types of Exhibits" and "Special Provisions."

If your display is built beyond the limitations and restriction as set forth in this contract, we reserve the right to correct such display violations by having you alter, remove or rearrange any or all of the display so that it will comply with regulations. If you are not available to make those corrections, then you agree as part of this contract to give us authority to make any and all necessary corrections at your expense.

### **Load Limitations**

Any piece of exhibit material weighing in excess of 2,000 pounds shall be accompanied by a certified weight-master's ticket stating accurately the total weight of such individual piece and its container, if any. Failure to provide the weight-master's certificate when requested may result in the facility's refusal to permit the shipment on its premises, elevators or lifts.

### **Types of Exhibits & Exhibit Restrictions**

**Booth Definition:** The price per booth includes booth space that is 10' wide and 10' deep with an 8' high-draped background and 3' high-draped sidewalls. Pipe and drapery will be supplied automatically for in-line booths unless you request not to have it. Pipe and drapery will not be provided for island booths. 8' high sidewalls may not extend further than 5' from the back of the booth space. Note: If located on a perimeter, an aisle booth may go to 10' height. Requests for exceptions to these requirements must be submitted to the Events Manager no later than 45 days prior to the show.

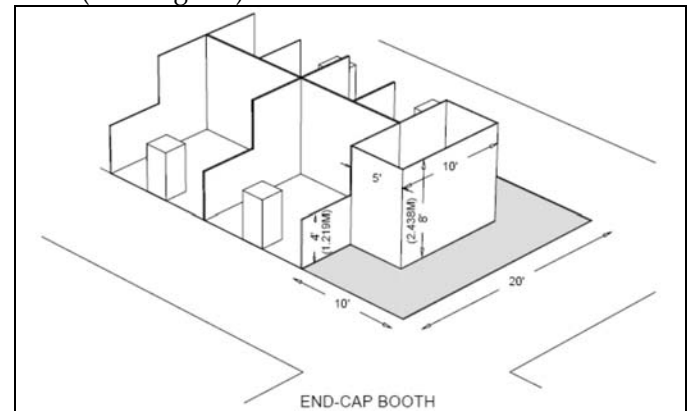
#### Island Booth

An island booth is any size booth exposed to aisles on all four sides. The entire cubic content of the space may be used up to the maximum allowable height. Pipe and drapery will not be provided for island booths.

#### End-cap Booth

Booth dimensions are 10' deep by 20' wide. The maximum backwall height of 8' is allowed only in the rear half of the booth space and within 5' of the two side aisles (10' long backwall) with a 4' height restriction

imposed on all materials in the space forward to the aisle. (See diagram)



#### Peninsula/Split Island Booth

Booth dimensions are generally 20' x 20' or larger. When a Peninsula Booth backs up to two Linear Booths, the backwall is restricted to 4' high within 5' of each aisle. The center (10' wide) of the backwall height is based on maximum allowable height.

When a Peninsula Booth shares a common backwall with another Peninsula Booth (**Split Island Booth**), the entire cubic content may be used, up to the maximum allowable height, without any backwall line of sight restrictions.

#### **Special Provisions**

Pedestals, tables, racks, shelves, risers and similar display equipment may not exceed 48" in height when positioned more than 5' from the back wall of a single aisle booth.

Free standing units, including those intended to be the focal point in an exhibit, may not exceed 48" in height when placed more than 5' from the back wall of the booth unless the same company occupies 8' of booth space on both sides of the unit or units. The maximum dimensions for such items under these conditions are 8'h x 32" w x 32" d.

#### **Use of Exhibit Space**

Where you plan to construct any part of your exhibit above the exhibit height limitation (25' island, 8' in-line), or any variance from these rules and regulations, you must obtain approval in writing from the Events Manager at least six weeks prior to the official opening of the exhibits. Submit a sketch of your proposed construction when requesting approval.

All signs including graphics, photographs and other advertising matter in connection with your booth space must be located within the boundaries of your assigned booth. No signs of any type are permitted outside of your assigned exhibit space (columns, walls, floors, ceilings) without approval in writing from show

management. This restriction also applies to any device used to project a company name or logo on the ceilings or walls of the Convention Center or otherwise beyond the permitted height or sides of the booth itself.

You must obtain written permission from Show Management if you plan continuous operation of any flashing light device, floodlight, laser light, LED or computerized digital sign which may impact on your neighboring exhibitors. Showing of projected pictures (motion pictures, slides, transparencies, opaque materials, etc.) will only be permitted within the confines of your booth.

You will be expected to keep the sound at reasonable volume, approximately that of a normal speaking voice, in order to avoid disturbing other exhibitors when operating sound reproduction equipment. We reserve the right to turn off the electric supply of any exhibitor who violates this rule.

You may distribute food or beverages from your booth, provided (a) you purchase the food or beverage only from the approved show caterer and (b) you provide trash receptacles and periodically clear trash in the vicinity of your booth generated as a result. No alcoholic beverages of any kind may be distributed from your booth. You are not permitted to cook food in your booth. We have the right to terminate distribution of food from your booth in the event your activity disturbs or infringes another exhibitor in any manner. Any surveys, questionnaires or promotion must take place within your assigned booth space.

No person shall carry or transport into the premises any beer or other alcoholic beverages except for delivery to the licensed retailer or same, located on the premises. All concessions, including but not limited to tobacco, food products, drinks, checkrooms, programs and novelties, are and shall remain the exclusive rights of the Convention Center. If any food or drinks are to be served by exhibitor, these items must be purchased from the official caterer.

Absolutely no alcoholic beverages may be consumed on the show floor or in your booth at any time, including move-in and move-out, unless it is purchased from the official caterer. If you are found to be in violation of this rule, you will be asked to leave the show and will not be permitted to tear-down your booth display until after the show has closed on Sunday at 4:00pm.

### **Copyrights, Royalties and Trademarks**

You warrant that no music, literary or artistic work or other property protected by copyright will be performed, reproduced or used, nor will the name of any entity protected by trademark be reproduced or used during your use of the contracted space unless you

have obtained written permission of the copyright or trademark holder (including payment of any and all licensing and/or performance fees, i.e. BMI, ADCAP, AFTRA/SAG fees). You agree to comply strictly with all laws respecting copyrights, royalties and trademarks and warrant that you will not infringe any related statutory, common law, or other right of any person during your use of the premises. You agree you will indemnify and hold the Center, HBP and their officers, agents, and employees harmless from all claims, losses and damages (including court costs and attorneys' fees) with respect to such copyright, royalty or trademark rights.

### **Lighting**

The show will be lit at work-light levels during set-up and teardown, and at full lighting levels during show hours. We urge exhibitors who require low light conditions to build their exhibits accordingly.

### **Sharing of Space**

Only one exhibitor may utilize a booth or booths. Sharing of space or transfer of right to use space in whole or in part is not permitted without our written permission.

### **Labor Regulations**

The Convention Center is a Non-Union facility. However, all exhibitors must abide by all regulations in effect in the facility at the time of the show. Please see Special Notice and Drayage and Freight Handling Form enclosed in Service Manual.

### **Arbitration**

Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this contract or the breach thereof shall be settled by arbitration in Chantilly, Fairfax County, Virginia, in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Institute, and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

### **Show Cancellation**

HBP reserves the right to change the show dates, times or show site or to cancel if the show cannot be conducted for any reason beyond HBP's reasonable control; exercise of any such right will be by written notice to exhibitors.

### **Miscellaneous Regulations**

We reserve the right to determine the eligibility of any company to exhibit. We reserve sole control over admission policies.

These regulations are established for the mutual protection of all. We reserve the right to make such changes in the time schedule or in general plan of the

exhibit as we may deem to be in the best interests of exhibitors and exhibit generally.

All exhibits must be open or have sufficient opening at the top of their structure/display to meet fire regulations.

Animals and pets are not permitted in the facility except in conjunction with an approved exhibit, display or performance legitimately requiring use of animals. Seeing-eye dogs are permitted, however you must have appropriate paper work on hand.

No combustible decoration, such as crepe paper, tissue paper, cardboard, or corrugated paper, shall be used at any time. No helium balloons or tanks are permitted in the hall at any time. All packing containers, excelsior, and wrapping paper are to be removed from the floor and must not be stored under tables or behind displays. Muslin, velvet, silken or any cloth decorations must stand a flameproof test as prescribed by the ordinance of the convention city.

Please abide by facility rules regarding smoking, using designated areas only. Do not exit through or prop fire doors at any time.

#### **State Fire Marshal's Requirements**

The following are the state fire marshal's minimum fire safety requirements and shall be applied at all shows--trade, commercial or otherwise--and shall apply whether the exhibit is open or closed to the public.

The display and operation of any cooking or heat-producing appliances, pyrotechnics, use or storage of flammable liquids, compressed gases or any other process deemed hazardous by the state fire marshal's representative must have advance approval by the state fire marshal's representative. Any motor vehicles, gasoline-powered equipment, tools, etc. on display shall have their batteries disconnected. All fuel tanks that are not equipped with locking gas caps shall have the gas caps sealed with tape. All such fuel tanks shall be less than one-fourth full.

No parking of any vehicles, unless an approved part of your display, will be allowed in the building. Cars and trucks shall be removed immediately after loading or unloading. Decorations and displays shall not block or impede access to fire protection equipment (sprinklers, exit markings, exit doors or emergency lighting equipment).

During occupancy hours, aisles and exit doors shall be maintained free of all obstructions and unlocked for immediate use in the event of an emergency.

All electrical devices and installations shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the National Electrical Code. All devices must be listed by Underwriters Laboratories. Any electrical extension cords used shall be of the heavy-duty type. Lightweight cords of the lamp cord variety are prohibited and are subject to confiscation.

#### **Amendments and Additional Regulations**

Any issue not specifically covered by the foregoing terms and conditions shall be determined by HBP. HBP shall add to or amend the foregoing terms and conditions provided such changes are reasonable in nature and consistent with the purposes of the foregoing. Each exhibitor will be responsible for forwarding this information to the parties who will set up and/or staff the space.

#### **Americans with Disabilities Act**

Exhibitors are responsible for making their space accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.