

UNION JURISDICTIONS FOR NEW YORK

THERE ARE FOUR MAJOR UNIONS THAT HAVE JURISDICTION OVER TRADE SHOWS. THE FOLLOWING SHOULD HELP GUIDE YOU IN CONFORMING TO UNION JURISDICTIONS AND ITS ADHERENCE TO THEM WHEN REQUIRED.

TEAMSTER UNION:

Teamsters handle freight at the exhibit hall. They unload trucks and vehicles. They also provide rigging of machinery, moving services and spot machinery in your booth. The normal rigging crew consists of three men. Customarily, this service must be ordered at exhibitor's expense.

CARPENTERS UNION:

Carpenters handle the erection and dismantling of display and exhibit booths. This also includes all display work. Carpenters uncrate and re-crate machinery or equipment, install and remove all draping and floor covering.

EXPOSITION WORKERS:

Exposition workers deliver freight to exhibitor's booth after it has been unloaded by teamsters. They also deliver furniture and floor covering. They may assist carpenters in the erection and dismantling of exhibits and displays. The first two men required for this work must be carpenters and a third man, if needed, an exposition worker.

ELECTRICAL UNION:

Electricians handle all electrical work, which includes supply power lines to your booth, connecting equipment to outlets and installing signs or headers that are lighted, unless they are permanently a part of the exhibit backwall.

WHAT CAN EXHIBITORS DO WITHOUT UNION PERSONNEL?

Contrary to popular belief, exhibitors are allowed to do some work within the privacy of their own booths. Exhibitors may install and dismantle their own exhibit and lay their own carpet in their own exhibit area as long as the booth size is 100 sqft (10'x10') or less and the following conditions are met: 1) The set-up can be reasonably accomplished in 1/2 hour or less; 2) No tools are used in the assembly or dismantle; 3) Individuals performing the work must be full time employees of the exhibiting company and carry identification to verify this fact. Exhibitors are allowed to unpack and repack their own products (if in cartons, not crates) and are allowed to do technical work on their machines, such as balancing, programming, cleaning of machines, etc. Exhibitors may "hand carry" for use nothing larger than a two wheel baggage cart (rubber or plastic wheels only) to move their items. Exhibitors may move a "pop-up" display (equal or less than 10' in length) capable of being carried by hand by one person. The individuals moving the items must be full time employees of the exhibiting company and must carry identification to verify this fact. We hope the above will help you. If you are in doubt, do not wait until you get to the show to ask questions. Call the Show Manager or Freeman before hand.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

FLAMEPROOFING:

Table coverings as well as all booth equipment must be a non-flammable material. All decorative materials must be fire-resistant and in accord with the standard established by the New York Fire Department. Affidavits attesting to flameproof compliance with New York City Fire Department Regulations must be submitted when requested.

INSURANCE:

Freeman, and/or the Association (Exhibit Manager) and/or the Exhibit Convention Site will not be responsible in any way for the safety of any exhibit or materials against fire, water, theft, accident or any cause nor for the loss or damage to goods consigned to its care. However, every effort will be made to protect exhibitor's property. You are advised to consult your insurance broker for proper coverage on any of your display material from the time it leaves your Company's premises until it returns. In most cases a rider can be added to your present policy for a nominal cost.