

Switchback 2025

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Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center
Nashville, TN

Union Jurisdictions Nashville, TN

To assist you in planning for your participation in this upcoming exposition, we are certain you will appreciate knowing in advance that union labor may be required for certain aspects of your exhibit handling. To help you understand the jurisdiction of the various unions, we ask that you read the following:

Exhibit installation and dismantling:

Currently we have an agreement with the Local Stagehand Union to provide labor for display installation and dismantling. Full time employees of the exhibiting companies may set their own exhibits without the assistance of this Union. Any labor services that may be required beyond what your regular full time employees can provide must be rendered by the Union or an Exhibitor Appointed Contractor. Labor can be ordered in advance by ordering online or at show site, from the Freeman Service Center.

Material handling:

Exhibitors and full time employees of exhibiting companies may hand carry their own materials into the exhibit facility. However, the use or rental of dollies, flat trucks, pallet jacks or other mechanical equipment is not permitted. Freeman has the responsibility of receiving and handling all exhibit materials and crates, with the exception of items Exhibitors hand carry. Freeman will control access to the loading docks in order to provide for a safe and orderly move in/out. Unloading or reloading at the dock of any and all contracted carriers will be handled by Freeman.

Vehicles must not be left unattended at the loading areas. Any unattended vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.

Fire Marshal regulations absolutely prohibit the storage of empty containers in the exhibit hall. Arrangements have been made with Freeman to store empty crates and containers. Please refer to the Material Handling section of this manual for information regarding the handling of empties, disposal of skids, etc.

Gratuities:

Tipping is expressly prohibited. This includes such practices as giving money, merchandise or other special consideration for services rendered. Please do not give breaks other than mid-morning and mid-afternoon, when the union has a scheduled 15 minute paid break. Meal breaks are one hour. Any attempt to solicit a gratuity by an employee should be reported immediately to the Exhibit Manager or a Freeman Supervisor.

Safety:

Standing on chairs, tables or other rental furniture is prohibited. This furniture is not engineered to support your standing weight. Freeman cannot be responsible for injuries or falls caused by the improper use of this furniture. If assistance is required in assembling your booth, please order the appropriate labor online and the necessary ladders and tools will be provided.