

RESPONSIBILITIES & POLICY STATEMENT

Tarsus Exhibitions & Publishing and Labelexpo take their responsibilities very seriously and it is vital that Exhibitors and their contractors do likewise.

Labelexpo Asia should be a safe working environment for all personnel within the halls and as Organisers, it is Tarsus' policy to make the exhibition a safe environment as far as is reasonably practicable. This section of the manual has been produced to provide Exhibitors with clear, simple suggestions for understanding & implementing a suitable & sufficient safety management programme to comply with Health & Safety procedures.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS AN EXHIBITOR

As an Exhibitor, if you employ or contract out work on your stand, under health and safety legislation you are deemed the 'employer' and have certain duties to abide by. You are directly responsible for the activities and health and safety of your employees and contractors working on your stand and for the safe use and maintenance of equipment. This duty applies during the build-up, open period, and breakdown of the show. You are responsible for defining areas of responsibility with the contractors you employ. You have a duty to ensure that your contractors are competent and have undertaken the necessary risk assessments for the activities being carried out. It is your responsibility to ensure that the contractor's documents are accurate, valid and are being abided by during the tenancy.

These documents are a legal requirement under The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and subsidiary health and safety legislation. The Organisers have acquired all relevant documentation and satisfied themselves that the officially appointed contractors working on the show are competent in the tasks required of them. Therefore, you will not need to request these details from the officially appointed contractors (e.g. stand fitting contractor for shell scheme etc)

Among the statutory duties owed under Health & Safety legislation the following are particularly relevant, although this list is by no means exhaustive:

Each exhibitor should have a copy of their Company Health and Safety Policy available for inspection on their stand.

A "suitable and sufficient" risk assessment should exist in respect to all the significant risks in the business. SPACE ONLY exhibitors are obligated to return a copy of their Risk Assessment for this event along with their Health & Safety Declaration Form.

Obtain copies of your contractor's Risk Assessment and Method Statement. Ask to see training records and accident statistics. Take up references & ask to see proof of previous work standards – in short, satisfy yourself that your contractors are reliable and competent. This is your legal responsibility.

- 1. Every employer has a duty to co-operate with other employers (e.g. Exhibition Organisers) when sharing a workplace, whether temporarily or permanently.
- 2. Understand the Fire and Emergency Procedures of the venue published in this section of the manual (see below)
- 3. Maintain emergency gangways through and to the centre of the halls in build-up and breakdown situations i.e. do not leave items in the gangway.



- 4. All operatives must wear suitable protective clothing relevant to their job, which includes eye, ear, foot, and hand protection.
- 5. All operatives must wear hard hats when working beneath or near overhead working or if this is impracticable, restricting access in such areas.
- 6. Ensure safe use and storage of flammable liquids and substances and segregation from waste and other risk areas.
- 7. Provide suitable training for, and information to, your staff and contractors regarding the onsite risks for them to understand the risks and fulfil their responsibilities safely
- 8. Ensure that portable electric tools are used with the minimum length of trailing leads and that such equipment is not left unattended with a live power supply to it.
- 9. Stacker trucks are not used by anyone other than fully trained personnel.
- 10. Disused fluorescent lights are placed in the collection bins in and around the halls, for safe and proper disposal.
- 11. Chemicals and flammable liquids are removed from the exhibition venue after use by the user or, in exceptional circumstances, brought to the attention of the venue cleaning department for safe and proper disposal. Such products must not be placed in general rubbish bins or tips.
- 12. Any work area is maintained free from general waste materials that could hazard operatives.
- 13. Only scaffolding incorporating standard safety features may be used and that any tower scaffold in use is properly stabilised and propped.
- 14. The Organisers' nominated contractor will carry out all electrical work within the Halls.
- 15. All materials used for construction or display are to Local Authority Standards.
- 16. During build up and breakdown the Halls run a no smoking policy except in designated areas, which will be clearly signed.

KEY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS

The Organisers recommend that you appoint a Safety Planning Supervisor to manage your on-site Health & Safety in conjunction with your stand planning. This Supervisor will have specific responsibility for managing Health & Safety (including the provision of proper information & instruction, training, guarding & supervision of all parties concerned through the show) & be responsible for the undertaking of the steps below.

1) HEALTH & SAFETY DECLARATION

All exhibitors MUST complete & return this form by the deadline given to indicate their commitment to Health & Safety at the exhibition.

2) RISK ASSESSMENT

Space Only: Each exhibitor MUST undertake a Risk Assessment (example shown overleaf) prior to the exhibition, identifying the hazards present on-site and ways in which you will minimise and control these risks. You must also obtain copies of risk assessments from all your appointed contractors who undertake work on your stand. All Risk Assessments must be forwarded to the Organiser together with a completed Health & Safety Declaration Form and Stand Plans, no later than 14th October 2022. The Organiser reserves the right to suspend work on any stand if correct documentation is not available for any reason.



Shell Scheme: Shell Scheme exhibitors are not always required to undertake Risk Assessments. However, if any of the activities below are planned, you will be required to undertake a Risk Assessment (example form shown overleaf) prior to the exhibition, identifying the hazards present on-site & ways in which you will minimise & control these risks. Activities are:

I. Any hazardous or moving exhibits on your stand

II.Any live demonstration or event involving members of the public

- III. Any significant construction within your shell scheme
- IV. Where your staff come into contact with other hazardous areas of the exhibition
- V. Any other operation, work process or substance that is covered by HASAWA74.

Example Risk Assessment Form

TASK	HAZARD	RISK LEVEL - TO WHO/ WHAT. WHAT LEVEL?		PRECAUTIONS / CONTROL MEASURES
Considering each task in turn, how and when will the work be done? Where on the stand will each trade involved be working? What equipment, materials and chemicals will be used? How much noise and dust will there be? Where will lifting and vehicle movements take place? Will there be error and tiredness caused by late working?		Who will be effected by the work and most at risk? Employees? Contractors? Visitors? Exhibitors on or around your stand? To what extent?		Evaluation of the risks enables you to decide on the appropriate action. Can the hazard or risk be removed completely or done differently? If the risk can't be eliminated, can it be controlled? Can protective measures be taken to protect the entire on-site workforce? Safe working depends on co-operation between firms onsite so consider this and take precautions on every aspect of work being carried out. Make sure people are trained, provided with relevant information and briefed about risks.
EXAMPLE:				
Overhead working	Falls of men & equipment causing injury. Scaffold collapse.	Risk to contractors working overhead and on stand, & to surrounding	High? ✓ Medium?	Restrict access to stand via cordoning off overhead working area. Hard hats to be worn. Ensure scaffolding is erected safely and contractors familiar with its safe
			High? Medium? High?	
	R:			
LOCATION: TITLE: DATE:				



3) FIRE PRECAUTIONS

Some stands will be provided with a fire extinguisher (water type) for the duration of the show. This must not be removed. Exhibitors should ensure that at least two of their stand contractors & staff are aware of how to use these extinguishers & of the location of the fire exits & alarm points within the halls. Any exhibitor requiring a special type of extinguisher owing to the nature of their exhibits must make their own arrangements.

EXHIBITOR CHECKLIST FOR HEALTH & SAFETY

Have You Remembered To ...???

- ⇒ Appoint a Safety Adviser to co-ordinate your health & safety exhibition policy?
- ⇒ Photocopy the Emergency Procedures contained within this manual & circulated it to all your staff & contractors?
- ⇒ Complete & return a copy of the Health & Safety Declaration Form in this section of the manual?
- ⇒ Undertake a Risk Assessment for all areas (i.e. stand fitting, exhibits & on-site staff) and notify relevant persons of key risk areas, if you are a space only stand exhibitor or if something you are demonstrating on your stand poses a significant risk? Note that Space Only stand exhibitors must forward copies of all Risk Assessments together with their Stand Plans and a completed Health & Safety declaration no later than 14 October 2022
- ⇒ Appoint a competent and reliable Stand Contractor? Ensure that they complete a suitable Risk Assessment and pass on all stand-fitting regulations to them?
- ⇒ Submit stand designs and a Method Statement for your stand?
- ⇒ Plan your time during Build-Up & Breakdown? Can your stand design be erected and dismantled safely and on time? Should late working be necessary, have your planned a rota & ensured all staff receive sufficient & regular breaks?
- ⇒ Provide suitable training and information to your stand staff & contractors? They must be informed of on-site risks in order for them to understand & fulfil their responsibilities.
- Review your findings after the show to discover areas that need attention, where incidents occurred & to take the appropriate action for the future.

ORGANISERS POLICY

- Tarsus has appointed a Health & Safety Officer to cover the build-up and breakdown of the exhibition
- Tarsus has ensured medical facilities are provided on-site.
- Tarsus has satisfied themselves that the recommended and official contractors for Labelexpo are competent in the tasks required of them. Official contractors' risk assessments have been received & checked.