

## HEALTH & SAFETY REGULATIONS

SME Canada requires that all reasonable steps and precautions are taken to protect the health and ensure the safety of all persons involved in the production of its shows. Preventing injury is a key objective and accordingly, every possible measure must be taken to provide a safe, healthy work environment. To succeed, these safety initiatives require that every Exhibitor assumes responsibility for helping meet this objective. Exhibitors must therefore, carefully read the applicable sections of the Occupational Health & Safety Act, in order to fully understand their responsibilities as they apply to themselves and their workers while at the show, including all activities within their own booth areas. Please consult the standards established by the Occupational Health and Safety Regulations Act at <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/o02p2> for further information regarding your obligations under the Act.

All persons involved in the move-in/move-out process (ie., set-up and tear-down of a trade show) must be properly dressed and equipped to work safely in specific areas of the show deemed by the Act, or by an on-site Safety Inspector, as an 'industrial' environment which may involve the use of heavy equipment (forklifts, etc.), as well as 'overhead activities' (hanging signs, lights, etc.). These areas, including areas in and around booths, may be marked off with safety cones or caution tape. Only persons wearing hardhats and safety shoes may be permitted into these areas until all work is completed. Working in sandals/flip-flaps/open-toed shoes/bare feet, etc. is strictly forbidden on the show floor. Any individual wearing inappropriate footwear will be prevented from entering the show floor by SME Canada security.

Exhibitors are responsible for the health and safety of all employees and other persons on the show floor who are directly or indirectly under their supervision. Exhibitors are also responsible for informing/contacting all persons you will be hiring (ie. Your staff and any outside contractors hired to set up your booth, bring in your product, or anyone required to be on the show floor during move-in and out), that they must wear safety shoes, as well as any other necessary protective equipment, to keep them safe from injury.

It is important that your company confirms receipt of this message. Please complete the form below, to acknowledge that you have read, understand and will comply with the Occupational Health & Safety Act. This also confirms that your staff and all associated contractors and hired help will be informed of and will comply with the Act. After you have read this document carefully, please provide the information requested below, including an authorized signature, and return this form to SME Canada.

I hereby declare that I have read, understood and agree to be bound by the foregoing and that I have the authority to bind the Exhibitor.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Booth \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please **submit this form by May 12, 2023** by email to Ursula Tsoi: [utsoi@sme.org](mailto:utsoi@sme.org)