

# Alarming of fire brigade and fire-extinguishing facilities

Fire protection facilities and information as to the required behaviour in case of fire are located inside the given hall next to each exit.

In the event of fire or smoke being detected, alarm the fire brigade **in all cases** by pressing one of the push-button fire alarms.

The fire hydrants, push-button fire alarms, smoke extractor triggering devices and fire extinguishers located in the halls must not be obstructed, or rendered unrecognisable or inaccessible.

### Areas designated for use by fire brigade

The areas designated for access and turning for use by the fire brigade must be kept clear at all times. Vehicles, semi-trailers, containers, tanks and/or empty packaging of any kind may only be parked or stored on the areas designated for this purpose during the stand set-up and dismantling periods. Please consult our Traffic Guide for further information in this connection.

#### Emergency exits, hall aisles

All exits and aisles forming part of the permanent lay-out of the halls shall be kept free and unobstructed over their full width at all times. The exits including the signs indicating them must not be blocked, covered by drapings or rendered inconspicuous in any other way. Information counters, tables or similar items are to be placed far enough away from entrances, exits and the approaches to staircases.

# Stand design

Exhibition stands shall be so designed that they contain no rooms, corners or niches that are difficult to access. Floor coverings within the stands must be jointless. Each partitioned area within the stand (offices, staff rooms, meeting rooms, etc.) must provide users with an unobstructed line of sight (clear view) towards the nearest escape route (visual connection). Such areas (recreation/staff/meeting rooms) as are only accessible by way of another partitioned area ('trapped rooms') are prohibited.

If within a given stand the maximum length of an escape route to a hall aisle exceeds 10 m, the stand must be equipped with a second exit and/or an aisle at least 2.0 m wide leading to a hall aisle. If hall exits are located within a stand, the width of the exit is not to be narrowed. The escape routes in the hall must be indicated and approved by the Fire Department. Exit signs must not be obstructed from view. As a rule, the defined hall aisles must not be built over.

# Decorations

All materials used for decorative purposes should be at least flame-retardant (in accordance with DIN 4102 or DIN EN 13501-1) – certification must be provided. If flame-retardance is to be achieved after the stand is set up, this is only permissible for small areas with officially approved flameproofing agents in accordance with the instructions for use.

The use of materials which are easily flammable or melt, drip or give off toxic gases when exposed to heat is not permitted.

The use of synthetic materials (e.g. polystyrene, polyurethane rigid foam, expanded polystyrene, etc.) which produce large amounts of soot when on fire, is not permitted. Proof must be provided of the flame-retardant properties of the materials when installed.

# Cut trees and plants

may only be used for decorative purposes when green. If during the course of the trade fair it is ascertained that trees and plants will dry out and thereby become more easily inflammable, they must be removed. Trees must be free of branches up to about 50 cm above the floor. Peat must always be kept damp (risk of ignition by cigarette butts, matches, etc.).

#### Electrical installation and electrical appliances

All electrical equipment must be installed in compliance with the safety regulations of the VDE (Association of German Electrical Engineers).

Electrical distribution points are to be kept clear of storage areas.

Electric cooker plates, irons, grills, cookers, immersion heaters and other electrical appliances are to be adequately supervised during operation. They must be placed on fire-proof, heat-resistant bases so that even in the case of excessive heat inflammable objects in their vicinity cannot be ignited.

### Fire extinguishers

If fire extinguishers are kept on the exhibition stand, then as a general rule water extinguishers as per EN 3 or DIN 14406 are to be used (In kitchen and technical areas, carbon-dioxide extinguishers as per EN 3 or DIN 14406 should be provided).

### Safety lighting

Stands whose specific design or structure render the existing general safety lighting ineffective must be equipped with their own, additional safety lighting in accordance with VDE 0100-718, DIN 50172 and DIN EN 1838. It must be installed such that safe orientation and access to the general escape routes is guaranteed.

#### Packing material

Packing material, transport crates and the like which are not needed during the exhibition are to be kept outside the halls and loading yards. During the stand set-up and dismantling periods, escape and rescue routes within the halls are to be kept clear; any transport and packing materials and items of equipment no longer needed are to be removed immediately from the halls.

### Internal combustion engines

Internal combustion engines (e.g. in cars) must not be demonstrated in operation in the halls. Fuels must not be stored on the stand.

The contents of vehicle tanks must be reduced to the volume necessary for entering and leaving the grounds.

Fuel tanks must be locked and batteries disconnected.

#### Ceilings and canopies

Irrespective of their size, horizontal ceilings and canopies above stands must be reported – form 1.2 "Application for Preventive Fire Protection Measures" in the Technical Order Forms.

They must be at least flame-retardant (in accordance with DIN 4102 or DIN EN 13501-1) – certification must be provided – and must be fitted with a sprinkler system when constituting a single covered surface of more than 30 m<sup>2</sup>. In this case, one sprinkler unit must be installed for every 12 m<sup>2</sup> of covered space or part thereof; all rooms or booths contained within this area must be incorporated within scope of the sprinkler system. In this connection, please note the information shown on the Notice for Installation of Sprinkler-compatible Materials.

Other regulations apply to Hall B0 and the entrance areas. Please contact the Technical Exhibition Services Division for further information.

#### Please note

Further information is available from Messe München GmbH's Technical Exhibition Services Division.

We expressly reserve the right to impose further conditions if the need for them only becomes apparent during the course of the trade fair.

The provisions stated in form 1.2 of the Order Forms for Exhibitor Services must also be observed.