

NPE2027

The Plastics Show

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Show Rules & Regulations

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1. Overall Show Terms

Principal Purpose (1.1)

NPE2027: The Plastics Show is produced by and is the property of the Plastics Industry Association (herein referred to as PLASTICS) and the word “management” and phrase “Show Management” refers in either case to PLASTICS, its directors, officers, committees, agents, or employees acting for PLASTICS in management of the show. The principal purpose of the show is to stimulate interest in and demand for plastics-industry-related products and services in general, herein referred to as “Principal Purpose.” No Exhibitor shall engage in any activity inconsistent with or outside the character and purpose of this Principal Purpose, including, but not limited to interference with and/or disturbance and/or damage to another exhibitor’s display, technology, networking, or promotional/sponsorship opportunities. Exhibitor shall cease any activity determined to be inconsistent with the Principal Purpose immediately upon notification by Show Management to do so. Show Management, at its discretion, may take any action it deems appropriate (including, but not limited to issuing written warnings, removal of Exhibitor from NPE2027, expulsion from any future show(s), and/or suspension or elimination of NPE show history points) against a Exhibitor for conduct detrimental to NPE2027.

Terms, Conditions, Liabilities & Consequences (1.2)

Exhibitors understand and agree that these NPE Show NPE Show Rules & Regulations and Regulations are an integral and binding part of the exhibit space contract (“Contract”). Exhibitors, on behalf of themselves and their employees, agents, and contractors, agree to abide by all NPE Show Rules & Regulations, including those previously issued and any updates and/or correspondence outlining revised and new policies. Abiding by the NPE Show Rules & Regulations will lead to a successful experience for all. “Exhibitor” refers to company which has applied for exhibit space in NPE 2027 and has been approved by Show Management. “Booth personnel” refers to those employees, agents and contractors of an exhibiting company who are assigned to work at exhibitor’s booth during the “exposition,” “show,” “event” and “NPE2027” (in each case whether capitalized or not) refer to as the context requires.

“OCCC” refers to the Orange County Convention Center, the owner of the facility in which the exposition is located.

Exhibitors agree to abide by all NPE Show Rules & Regulations as set forth in this document and any Addendums or Appendices. Show Management reserves the right to enforce or interpret violations of the NPE Show Rules & Regulations and failure to comply with the NPE Show Rules & Regulations may result in any or all of the following liabilities and consequences:

1. Loss of Show History for the current show cycle.
2. Immediate removal of exhibitor and booth from show, at exhibitor expense.
3. Payment of monetary damages, fees & costs, arising out of violation(s) per the NPE Show Rules & Regulations, as determined by Show Management.
4. Denial of exhibition & sponsorship opportunities in future show cycle(s).

Amendment to NPE Show Rules & Regulations (1.3)

Any matters not specifically covered by the NPE2027 Show NPE Show Rules & Regulations & Regulations may be amended at any time by Show Management and all amendments so made shall be binding an exhibitor equally with the stated NPE Show Rules & Regulations regardless of whether notice of such amendments has been provided. A current version of the NPE Show Rules & Regulations shall be posted in the Exhibitor Resource Center and exhibitors are encouraged to review the NPE Show Rules & Regulations regularly for any amendments.

Default in Payment (1.4)

Any Exhibitor failing to pay exhibit space fees set forth in the NPE2027 Exhibit Space Application & Contract by the due date(s) for such payment(s) shall be in default and shall be deemed to have cancelled its participation and shall be liable for the corresponding cancellation fee as set forth in the NPE Show Rules & Regulations. In such an event, and without further notice to Exhibitor, Show Management shall have the right to cancel the reservation of such space, to use the space assigned to the Exhibitor to suit its own convenience, including assigning all or a portion of such space to another Exhibitor, and to collect exhibit space fees for rental of same without refund to Exhibitor for cancellation fees paid.

Show Management assumes no responsibility for the inclusion of the cancelled Exhibitor or descriptions of its products on www.npe.org, in the show directory, brochures, news releases, or other materials. The Exhibitor remains liable for any and all balance payments due on the defaulted/cancelled space contracted/assigned.

Cancellation, Modification of Show (1.5)

For purposes of the NPE Show Rules & Regulations, the term “cancellation” shall not include any change to show dates, a reduction in the number of show dates, and/or a change in venue from Orlando to any other location.

Exhibitor acknowledges and agrees that Show Management may cancel, delay, shorten, modify in format for any reason including those beyond its control including, but not limited to, acts of God, shortage of commodities or supplies to be furnished by the facility, infectious or communicable diseases, governmental authority, terrorism, threats of terrorism, or war in the United States. Exhibitor understands and agrees that all losses and damages which it may suffer as a consequence thereof are its responsibility and not that of the Show Management, its directors, officers, employees or agents. This includes any costs and expenses it has incurred including, but not limited to, travel to the show, setup, lodging, freight, banners, décor, and employee wages.

As it relates to the total exhibit fees paid to Show Management by Exhibitor, if the show is cancelled, Exhibitor shall receive a refund equal to 25% of its total exhibit fees; if the show is delayed, shortened, or modified in format and Exhibitor cancels its exhibit as a result, Exhibitor shall not receive any refund of its total exhibit fees. Exhibitor acknowledges and agrees that the remaining portion of its total exhibit fees retained by Show Management are a reasonable estimate of Show Management's damages, operational costs and expenses in connection with the cancellation or modification of the show.

If the show is, Exhibitor shall not receive any refund of the total exhibit fees it has paid to Show Management for exhibit space in the show.

Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Show Management, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and each of them, from any and all loss which Exhibitor may suffer as a result of the cancellation of or changes to the show caused in whole or in part by any reason outside the control of Show Management. Further, Exhibitor releases Show Management, its directors, officers and employees and/or agents from any and all claims including, but not limited to, lost profits, out-of-pocket costs and consequential damages. The terms of this provision shall survive the termination or expiration of the Contract.

Code of Conduct (1.6)

PLASTICS strives to create a warm and welcoming environment at NPE2027: The Plastics Show and expects all participants to adhere to a Code of Conduct. Any person who believes that they have been subjected to harassment, or that the Code of Conduct has not been followed is encouraged to contact Show Management immediately. PLASTICS reserves the right to take any action deemed appropriate in response to such conduct by any person, including expulsion of that person from NPE2027 and prohibiting attendance at future events hosted in whole or part by PLASTICS.

Smoking (1.7)

In compliance with the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act (FCIAA), Florida Statutes Section 386.204 and other local, state, and federal regulations, smoking is not permitted within the OCCC. Smoking is also strictly prohibited during any show move-in or move-out activity. Exterior smoking areas have been designated outside the building at various locations.

2. Participation History Designations Policy

Exhibit Space Selection shall be conducted pursuant to the Participation History Designations Policy and the key dates set forth in the policy.

3. PLASTICS Membership & Benefits

PLASTICS members are entitled to NPE benefits including a discount on exhibit space rates and selection of exhibit space prior to non-member companies during the NPE2027 Space Selection.

There is a limit to the square footage that can be purchased at the discounted member rate. The limit is based on the member company dues paid during the 3-year show cycle. See table on page 9.

Exhibit space is assigned in order of PLASTICS members with the highest show history designation to PLASTICS members with the lowest show history designation, followed by non-members with the highest show history designation to non-members with the lowest show history designation.

PLASTICS membership renewal forms are released annually by October 15 and membership dues are to be paid in full by January 1 of the following year. Any company that fails to submit their dues payment by January 1 will be notified that their membership is considered past due and is considered inactive until such time as the membership is paid in full, a late fee of 1.5% per month is assessed from the due date and the membership is considered inactive and not in good standing.

Companies will be notified of pending membership suspension status and will be assessed exhibit space at the non-member rate. Show Management also reserves the right to relocate a company's space that was assigned in a member category during the NPE2027 Space Selection.

For membership information, please contact PLASTICS at +1.202.974.5212 or email membership@plasticsindustry.org.

PLASTICS Continuous Membership (3.1)

PLASTICS members must maintain continuous membership in good standing through 2027, and all dues must be paid in full for 2025, 2026, and 2027 by payment due date for company to be eligible for NPE member benefits.

Members who resign their membership or allow their membership to be suspended for non-payment of membership dues will forfeit all NPE member benefits; the former member would retain their Show History Designation in the non-member category.

Former PLASTICS Members (3.2)

PLASTICS membership must be reinstated, and past dues received by October 31, 2025, to participate in the Member categories for the NPE2027 Space Selection Lottery and membership must be maintained and paid for 2025, 2026, and 2027 to retain NPE2027 member benefits.

New PLASTICS Members (3.3)

New members must join PLASTICS on or before October 31, 2025, with dues paid in full to participate in the Member categories for the NPE2027 Space Selection Lottery. On or after November 1, 2025, but on or before March 7, 2026, company will be added to the last available selection space of the appropriate member category and can draw with that group once payment is received.

After the NPE2027 Space Selection event, a non-member company that is not currently assigned space for NPE2027, may join PLASTICS to receive the member discount space rate, provided they join retroactively to cover three consecutive membership year cycles (2025, 2026, and 2027).

Membership must be maintained and paid for 2025, 2026, and 2027 to retain NPE2027 member benefits through show dates. PLASTICS Membership Resignation, Suspension or Termination (3.4)

Show Management reserves the right to relocate a Company's space selected in a Member category at the NPE2027 Space Lottery should their PLASTICS membership be resigned, terminated, or suspended for non-payment of 2025, 2026 and/or 2027 dues.

Company agrees that the non-member exhibit space rate will be applied to its exhibit space fees should their PLASTICS membership be resigned, terminated, or suspended for non-payment of dues in accordance with PLASTICS Membership bylaws.

4. Official Logos & Partners

Available NPE2027 Logos (4.1)

Various versions and formats of the NPE2027 logo can be downloaded online here. The logos are the property of PLASTICS

and may not be used unless it is the intent of exhibitor to use the logos for the sole purpose of promoting their participation in NPE2027 in appropriate form. The NPE2027 logos or any other trademark of PLASTICS or NPE that exhibitor has expressly been granted specific use in connection with the show and shall not be altered, modified, or incorporated with any other words, logos, or symbols without the express written consent of PLASTICS. (Also refer to Copyright, Patent & Trademark Infringements Rule 9.3.)

Official Service Partners (4.2)

To ensure orderly and efficient installation, operation, décor and removal of displays and to eliminate confusion, PLASTICS has designated several companies as NPE2027 Official Contractors and the listing is available on the Exhibitor Resource Center. PLASTICS holds these firms responsible for quality service and fair prices and will intercede on behalf of an exhibitor in the event of faulty work or unfair charges. PLASTICS encourages all exhibitors to place orders with these firms unless a permanent arrangement has been established with a display house or outside contractor to set up and dismantle exhibits.

Official Partner Logo (4.3)

Exhibitors should look for the NPE2027 official partner logo on official service partner order forms before ordering service, as well as on their emails and websites to ensure they are working with an NPE-approved service provider. Please be aware that there are companies which target exhibitors and attendees of the show by phone and email purporting to sell goods and services on behalf of the show but are not authorized to do so.

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5. Exhibit Space Inclusions, Rates, Payments and Selection Processes

An Important Update on the NPE2027 Recycling Program and Space Application August 11, 2025

Dear Exhibitor,

We want to provide an important update regarding our expanded NPE Recycling Program.

In 2018 and 2024, this program was complimentary, thanks to generous sponsors and NPE's support. To maintain and expand its success, particularly with our objective of achieving a 100% diversion rate, the costs have grown.

To ensure the program's long-term success, our show committees—comprised of fellow exhibitors—worked with us to develop a sustainable funding model that was voted and approved on August 8, 2025.

As a result, we are implementing a flat fee for recycling services for all exhibitors. This fee, along with sponsor support, will secure the program's future and help us advance our sustainability goals, keeping plastic materials in the circular economy and out of landfills.

The fee for your booth will be based on its size:

10' x 10' booths: \$100 flat fee

Booths larger than 10' x 10': \$200 flat fee

Thank you for your support in making NPE2027 a more sustainable and impactful event for everyone.

To learn more about this initiative, you can visit <https://npe.org/nperecyclingprogram/>

Sincerely,

NPE Show Management

NPE2027 Exhibit Space Inclusions (5.1)

Exhibit space for NPE2027 includes:

- Each 10ft x 10ft booth will be set with 8ft high back wall and 3ft high side rail drape.
- Booths 300sf or less will receive a 7in x 44in one-line identification sign; booths larger than 300sf may receive a 7in x 44in one-line identification sign upon request.
- Each booth will receive one floor sticker identification sign indicating booth number.
- Standard Exhibitor listing, product description, and product category selections on the NPE2027 website.
- Standard Exhibitor listing in the official printed show directory to reinforce your Exhibitor's messages and serve as a valuable post-show reference.
- Exhibitor name and booth location will appear on all interactive show floor maps.
- Complimentary booth personnel badges (1 for each 100sf of space, minimum of 7 total).
- Music licensing from ASCAP and BMI. Music can be played in your booth without requiring additional licensing.
- Unlimited, additional booth personnel registration badges at a reduced rate from attendees.
- Access to the online NPE2027 Exhibitor Resource Center for 24/7 access to show documents, tutorials, timelines and other planning and promotion assistance.
- Complimentary, unlimited basic-level guest pass invitations for your customers and prospects.
- Early access to NPE2027 discounted hotel reservation system, with email and phone support available.
- Twenty-four-hour entrance and perimeter security during the show installation, operation, and dismantling periods.
- Carpeting of all aisles within exhibit halls.
- Access to special advertising opportunities in the official show directory and other sponsorship and promotional opportunities (additional fees apply).

NPE2027 Exhibit Space Rates (5.2)

Discounted rates are available per the following table:

PLASTICS Full/Associate Member Discounted Rates*	100 – 400sf	\$30.50 p/sf
	401 – 1,000sf	\$29.50 p/sf
	1,001 – 4,000sf	\$28.50 p/sf
	4,001sf or more	\$27.00 p/sf

PLASTICS Service Providers Discounted Rate	Any amount of space	\$39.50 p/sf
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Official Pavilion Organizer Rate	Any amount of space	\$49.50 p/sf
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Non-Member Space Rate	Any amount of space	\$51.50 p/sf
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Annual PLASTICS Member Dues	Minimum Total PLASTICS Member Dues Paid Over 3-years (2025-2027)	Maximum Square Footage at Discounted Member Rate
\$2,375	\$7,125	1000
\$3,025	\$9,075	1,200
\$4,275	\$12,825	1,600
\$6,775	\$20,325	2,500
\$9,775	\$29,325	3,600
\$16,525	\$49,575	6,200
\$24,525	\$73,575	9,000
\$33,025	\$99,075	12,500
\$43,025	\$129,075	16,000
\$54,525+	\$163,575+	unlimited

A company's maximum space (in square feet) available for purchase at the discounted member rate will be determined by the total PLASTICS member dues paid over the 3-year NPE show cycle (2025-2027), according to the above table.

If a company applies for space in 2025, the maximum space (in square feet) available for purchase at the discounted member rate will be determined based on the company's 2025 member dues, assuming the company's dues will remain the same for 2026 and 2027.

- If a company's dues increase in 2026 and 2027 such that the total dues paid over 3-years will exceed the minimum threshold of the next tier, the company would be eligible to increase the total square feet purchased at the member rate, based on availability, and/or the final invoice will reflect a credit and/or refund as appropriate.
- If a company's dues decrease in 2026 and 2027 such that the total dues paid over 3-years do not meet the minimum threshold to receive the member rate for the amount of space purchased by the company, the final invoice will reflect the non-member rate for the difference in allowed space and/or an additional invoice will be created as appropriate.

Additional square footage may be purchased at the Non-Member Space Rate of \$51.50/sf.

Exhibit Space Payment Terms & Timeline (5.3)

For space applications that will be assigned during NPE2027 Space Selection (up until March 6, 2026):

December 3, 2025, at 5:00 PM ET	Application and 20% deposit must be received to be included in the Space Selection Lottery (for selection order)
December 4, 2025, through February 23, 2026, at 5:00 PM ET	Applications and 20% deposits received during this time will be processed and companies will be added to the bottom of the corresponding selection group.
December 11, 2025	Space Selection Lottery is conducted. This will determine the selection order of companies within their various Show History groups.
December 12, 2025	Space Selection Lottery results are posted online and sent out via email.
February 23, 2026, at 5:00 PM ET	Deadline for 20% payment to be received to be added to any posted Eligible Exhibit Space Selection listing at NPE2027 Space Selection. Last day to cancel booth applications and receive a 100% refund.
February 24, 2026, through March 6, 2026	Space applications and deposits received during this time will be processed and selections will take place within Show History groups at the in-person Space Selection.
March 31, 2026	50% non-refundable payment due on total exhibit space fees, less payments/credits already paid/applied.
October 30, 2026	Non-refundable payment of 100% full balance due.

For exhibit space applications received between March 7, 2026 and September 30, 2026:

Due upon application receipt	50% non-refundable payment due on total exhibit space fees.
October 30, 2026	Non-refundable payment of 100% full balance due.

For exhibit space applications received between October 1, 2026 and May 3, 2027:

Due upon application receipt	100% non-refundable payment due on total exhibit space fees one space is assigned.
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Interest and Collection Fees (5.4)

Any Exhibitor that does not meet all financial obligations when due will be responsible for all outstanding debts, finance charge at one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month from the due date, and any fees (including attorney's fees and/or collection fees of not less than 25% of the remaining balance due) Show Management incurs to recover the debt. There will be a \$25 charge for all returned checks. If the above finance charge amount, attorney's fees, collection fees, and/or returned check fees exceed the limits allowed by applicable laws, then the maximum interest and such fees as allowed by such laws shall be paid to PLASTICS by Exhibitor.

Exhibit Space Application (5.5)

The online NPE2027 Space Application is an intent to exhibit and is neither a guarantee to receive space nor a confirmation of eligibility. Companies are encouraged to fill out the application to their best ability and intention for space selection as received applications are used to develop the floor plan. All space applications will be vetted and reviewed by our NPE Sales team and Show Management that has final approval/denial rights. As such, the Application shall not constitute a contract unless and until it is approved by Show Management regardless of whether Show Management may have already processed such Exhibitor's payment.

Companies should review Booth Design NPE Show Rules & Regulations and Appendix A for additional information and understanding the allowable configuration of booth types.

Exhibit Space Assignment/Selection (5.6)

Space selections and booth assignments for all companies with a valid application will be made during the in-person NPE2027 Space Selection event scheduled for March 2-6, 2026, at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida.

PLASTICS member companies select space prior to non-member companies in Show History Designation descending order from highest to lowest (31 through 0).

A Space Selection Lottery will be held on December 15, 2025, to determine the order for booth selections within each category. NPE2027 exhibit space applications and 20% deposit must be received by December 3, 2025 for inclusion in the Lottery – a company's membership in PLASTICS must be current and paid for 2025 in order for the company to be eligible for the Lottery's Member category. The Lottery results for the NPE2027 Space Selection event's selection order will be posted on www.npe.org by 5:00PM ET on December 16, 2025.

If a Exhibitor representative is not available to attend the NPE2027 Space Selection, options are available for the selection and assignment of your Exhibitor's booth/exhibit space.

- Any Exhibitor may authorize a non-Exhibitor representative to select its booth/exhibit space during the Exhibitor's assigned position. Exhibitor must complete and submit the NPE2027 Space Selection Non- Exhibitor Representative Authorization form for approval by Show Management. This representative can be a hired contractor (i.e. concierge) or other advocate designated by the exhibiting Exhibitor. Contact exhibit@npe.com for additional recommendations or information.
- If a Exhibitor representative (employee or non-Exhibitor representative) is not present at the NPE2027 Space Selection, Show Management will select the Exhibitor's booth/exhibit space.
 - Member Exhibitor's space will be selected during the assigned lottery position and based on information provided on the NPE2027 exhibit space application/contract.
 - Non-member Exhibitor's space will be selected at the end of the selection group, in the order or lottery ranking and based on the information provided on the NPE2027 exhibit space application/contract.
 - No action is needed by Exhibitor for Show Management assignment of the Exhibitor's booth/exhibit space and no phone calls/contact will be made for space selection options.
- A Exhibitor with an outstanding balance due for any NPE show will not be eligible to participate in the Lottery and/or the NPE2027 Space Selection booth assignments until the balance is paid in full to PLASTICS.
- A Exhibitor's PLASTICS membership must be current and paid for 2026 in order for the Exhibitor to select their booth/space in the Member category during the NPE2027 Space Selection.
- If multiple Exhibitor divisions will select space during an affiliated Exhibitor division's higher Show History Designation in

the PLASTICS Member category, all divisions must be included in and/or associated with a parent Exhibitor's PLASTICS membership, and the Exhibitor holding the highest Show History Designation must submit a written request by December 3, 2025, that includes its application/contract, along with an application/contract for each division participating for approval by Show Management.

- If multiple Exhibitor divisions will select space during an affiliated Exhibitor division's higher Show History Designation in the Non-Member category, the Exhibitor holding the highest Show History Designation must submit a written request by December 3, 2025, that includes its application/contract, along with an application/contract for each division participating for approval by Show Management.
- Companies submitting their application/contract and 20% deposit after December 3, 2025, will be placed at the end of their appropriate category in the order their application/contract was received by PLASTICS, following the eligible companies participating in the Lottery and will be added to the space selection order posted on www.npe.org.
- If a Exhibitor submits its application/contract and 20% deposit after its designated category's assigned date/time while at the NPE2027 Space Selection, the Exhibitor will be assigned a space selection position in the next "Booth Change" time slot and will select during this time based on its Show History Designation and the order in which its application/contract was received by PLASTICS.
- During the NPE2027 Space Selection, a Exhibitor representative will be allotted five minutes to select space when called to the stage for their space selection. If a space selection is not completed within the five-minute time limit, the representative will be permitted to continue to review options until a selection is made while the next Exhibitor representative is called to the stage and permitted to make their space selection.
- A short break will be held following the completion of each category. During this time, companies that have already been assigned space will have the opportunity to relocate their booth based on available space.
- No booth space will be divided and/or split during the NPE2027 Space Selection.
- Companies will be permitted to select spaces in combination and to purchase aisles between spaces not designated as "no cross-aisles" to form larger blocks of space, upon Show Management approval.
- If selecting multiple spaces with aisle space separating two or more booths with a plan to install archways or entrance units over said aisles, the Exhibitor must purchase the aisles.
- Spaces selected in combination with aisle space must form square or rectangular blocks of space no space will be assigned to an L-shaped booth configuration.
- Official PLASTICS Member pavilion organizers will select space between Member and Non-Member categories and must select connected and/or adjacent blocks of space. Pavilion organizers must provide their space layout, booth design and a complete list of their pavilion exhibitors to Show Management by January 15, 2027 or earlier if requested by Show Management.
 - Only Official Pavilion Organizers will be allowed for NPE2027. Companies looking to share exhibit space must adhere to the Affiliate/Partnership Rule 7 as outlined within this document.
- Immediately upon assigned space selection, the Exhibitor is committed financially to the square footage of the space selected and/or assigned. If future size adjustments occur, the Exhibitor is financially committed to the highest square footage assigned.
- If a Exhibitor is interested in relocating or changing its booth selection following its space assignment, the Exhibitor must submit request a booth reassignment. Reassignments are completed one of two ways:
 1. During a scheduled break, the Exhibitor can select from available space.
 2. If space isn't available, the Exhibitor can complete a NPE2027 Booth Change Request. This form will be reviewed post-Space Selection, after the audit and during the Relocation Request period.
- Show Management reserves the right to relocate a member Exhibitor's space should its PLASTICS membership be terminated or suspended for non-payment of membership dues, and Exhibitor agrees the non-member exhibit space rate will be applied to its exhibit space fees should its PLASTICS membership be resigned, terminated, and/or suspended for non-payment of dues.
- If payments are not received by PLASTICS per the Payment Terms (Rule 5.2). PLASTICS reserves the right to cancel the Exhibitor's exhibit space, and Exhibitor remains liable for full payment of its forfeited/contracted space. Show Management may utilize or resell such cancelled exhibit space and retain rental fees it receives therefrom without refund to Exhibitor.

Exhibit Space Assignment/Selection: Post Space Selection (5.7)

Following completion of the NPE2027 Space Selection booth assignments, the NPE2027 floor plan will be locked until March 20,

2026, to allow Show Management to conduct an audit of space assignments made during the NPE2027 Space Selection.

March 21 through March 29, 2026 is the booth relocation/change period for companies that participated in the NPE2027 Space Selection and submitted a Booth Change Request Form.

The NPE2027 floor plan will open on March 30, 2026, for space assignments to companies submitting an application/contract following the Space Selection event, based on the order the applications/contracts were received by PLASTICS, followed by assignment of space to new space applications and sales.

An Exhibitor with an outstanding, previous NPE balance due will not be eligible for space assignment until the outstanding balance is paid in full to PLASTICS.

Once an Exhibitor has selected and/or been assigned space, the Exhibitor is committed financially to the square footage of the space selected and/or assigned. The Exhibitor may change/move its booth by submitting a Booth Change Request Form. If the change involves a reduction of the square footage, the Exhibitor will remain financially committed to the square footage assigned at the time of its initial space selection/assignment a member Exhibitor's PLASTICS 2025 or 2026 membership is resigned, terminated and/or suspended for non-payment of dues, Exhibitor agrees the non-member exhibit space rate will be applied to its exhibit space fees.

If PLASTICS does not receive payments according to the Payment Terms listed in Rule 5.2, PLASTICS reserves the right to cancel the Exhibitor's exhibit space. Even if the exhibit space is canceled, the Exhibitor is still responsible for paying the full amount for the contracted space. Show Management may resell the canceled exhibit space and keep the rental fees received from it without refunding the Exhibitor.

Relocation of Booth (5.8)

Relocation of exhibit space shall be accommodated based on availability as determined by Show Management. Once exhibit space is selected and/or assigned, an exhibitor interested in relocating its exhibit space may submit a request to Show Management detailing their maximum and minimum square footage requirements and location preference(s).

Available exhibit space fulfilling requirements of exhibitors on the booth relocation list will be offered to those exhibitors based on their NPE show history designation status (Members with highest show history to lowest prior to non-members with highest show history to lowest). If the exhibit space is not taken after being offered to exhibitors on the booth relocation list, the exhibit space will be assigned to new exhibitors on a first-come, first-served basis.

Exhibitors that relocate to larger space will be financially obligated for the total space fees applicable to the new total square footage. Exhibitors that relocate to reduced space remain financially obligated for the full payment of the original contracted/assigned space.

Reduction of Space (5.9)

Exhibitors requesting a reduction of exhibit space shall remain liable for the released square footage and shall pay PLASTICS all space fees for the current square footage and the released square footage.

Cancellation Policy (5.10)

Cancellations of exhibit space by an exhibitor must be received by Show Management in writing via certified mail (return receipt requested). The date of cancellation shall be the date Show Management received the written cancellation. All cancellation fee(s) are payable immediately upon cancellation. The cancellation fee(s) terms shall apply regardless of the execution date of this contract. In such event, and without further notice to Exhibitor, Show Management shall have the right to use the space cancelled/defaulted by the Exhibitor to suit its own convenience, including assigning all or a portion of such space to another Exhibitor.

Both PLASTICS and Exhibitor acknowledge that in the event of cancellation of participation, PLASTICS will sustain substantial monetary losses. Exhibitor agrees to pay exhibit space fees in accordance with the following schedule if Exhibitor cancels participation in the show and/or fails to occupy the exhibit space contracted/assigned:

By Tuesday, February 24, 2026 by 5:00 PM EST	Deposit refundable
February 25, 2026, through March 31, 2026	20% of total exhibit space fees
April 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026	50% of total exhibit space fees
On or after July 1, 2026	100% of total exhibit fees

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event Exhibitor cancels its exhibit participation in the show and subsequently purchases exhibit space through a PLASTICS-authorized agent, such Exhibitor will remain liable to PLASTICS for all deposits and payments due for contracted exhibit space assigned to the Exhibitor's PLASTICS/NPE2027 contract, in addition to any deposits and payments Exhibitor is contracted for to the PLASTICS' authorized agent.

Exhibitor has the option to change its assigned exhibit space by submitting a request for Booth Changes to Show Management and is required to relocate its space based on inventory available at the time the space is being changed. If Exhibitor is reducing its contracted/assigned exhibit space, the Exhibitor remains financially obligated for the amount set forth for the originally contracted/assigned space. If Exhibitor increases its contracted/assigned exhibit space, Exhibitor becomes financially obligated and contracted for the amount set forth for the reassigned exhibit space. If payments are not received by date(s) due, Show Management reserves the right to relocate the space contracted/assigned to the Exhibitor, and the Exhibitor remains financially obligated for the originally contracted/assigned space.

Any Exhibitor with an outstanding financial obligation to PLASTICS will not be eligible to exhibit at an NPE show until all past financial obligations are paid in full to PLASTICS.

Competitors (5.11)

Because it is not possible for PLASTICS to know which exhibitors may be competitors, PLASTICS is not able to take such relationships into consideration in connection with the assignment or selection of space. PLASTICS therefore cannot be responsible if an exhibitor is assigned or selects booth space(s) near a competitor, nor is that a basis for booth space reassignment.

Unoccupied Space (5.12)

Show Management reserves the right to use any exhibit space that remains unoccupied at 4:00PM ET on Sunday, May 2, 2027. Show Management may utilize or resell such cancelled exhibit space and retain rental fees it receives therefrom without refund to Exhibitor.

Utilities (5.13)

PLASTICS and the OCCC have created an inclusive Utility Services Package to assist exhibitors in projecting budgets and controlling expenses.

Utility Package Price:

- \$2.47 psf and includes unlimited service and labor for 120V electrical power.

Exhibitor utility packages include:

- An unlimited number of items in that package: For example, if you pay for the 208V-480V Electrical Service Package, you may order as many 208V-480V outlets as you need for your booth.
- Labor and placement: Exhibitors will not be charged additional labor if their finalized booth diagrams are received at the OCCC by March 15, 2027.
- All applicable local, state, and federal taxes.

(Refer to the OCCC – Exhibitor & Utility Ordering Guide section of the Exhibitor Resource Center for complete information and order forms).

6. Exhibit Booth Design, Placement, Safety and Elements

Booth Display NPE Show Rules & Regulations (6.1)

Guidelines for display NPE Show Rules & Regulations and regulations have been established by the International Association of Exhibitions and Events (IAEE). The guidelines, outlined herein and within Appendix A, were created to promote continuity and consistency among exhibitors. It is PLASTICS' goal that the display NPE Show Rules & Regulations provide exhibitors with the information necessary to properly design and build exhibits, as well as plan their booth's layout and content.

Please note that all exhibitors in booths 400sf and over must submit their complete Booth Approval form, including booth drawings, in advance for approval by March 5, 2027. Drawings must include all hanging elements (ex: signage, truss lighting, etc.). Multi-level and covered booths must also be approved by the OCCC. Failure to meet this deadline may result in a move-in penalty and fines up to \$100 per day to cover the cost of expedited review at Show Management discretion.

Booth Type Descriptions and Samples (6.2)

Please see Appendix A: Booth Types, Dimensions, Display Measurement NPE Show Rules & Regulations for specific graphic and booth type design requirements, including variances, setbacks, etc.

Booth Compliance (6.3)

Exhibitor agrees and warrants adhering to the booth compliance terms as noted herein. Show Management reserves the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to reject, prohibit, or cease operation of any exhibit in whole or in part for non-compliance with what it deems to be safety requirements without prior notice to exhibitor or without offering exhibitor an opportunity to cure, and exhibitor acknowledges and accepts such right. Any fees related to dismantling or removal of a booth due to non-compliance are the responsibility of the Exhibitor.

Failure to comply to any of these NPE Show Rules & Regulations as follows:

- The design, construction, transport, delivery, assembly, erection, installation (including placement and utility hook-ups) and condition of all machinery exhibited at the show by exhibitor will at all times comply with all applicable national, state, and local laws and regulations.
- The operation, use, demonstration, adjustment, inspection, maintenance, servicing, setting up, modification, cleaning, unjamming, repairing, disassembly/breakdown and removal of the machinery, equipment, displays, and other materials exhibited at the show by exhibitor will comply with all applicable national, state, and local laws and regulations at all times.
- The phrase "all applicable national, state, and local laws and regulations" includes, but is not limited to all laws and regulations relating to the provisions and maintenance of adequate safety devices and conditions for the installation and operation of machinery and equipment displays.
- All machinery, equipment, displays, and other materials exhibited at the show by the exhibitor must be reasonably located and protected (e.g., by safety guards, fireproofing, and other fire safety measures) to prevent fire hazards and accidents (Refer to Safety: Machinery, Robot & Exhibit Rule 6.12 for more information).
- Adequate fencing and/or shielding of all operating machinery displays shall be installed to prevent attendees from coming into contact with the operating machinery and/or its movement by reaching over, under or around such protection.
- All displays, technology, machinery, engagements and furniture are required to have a 1-ft setback from the aisle.

Eligible Exhibits (6.4)

Show Management has sole right to determine the eligibility of any Exhibitor or product for inclusion in NPE2027. (Also see Principal Purpose 1.1.)

Rejected Displays (6.5)

Exhibitor agrees that their exhibit shall be admitted and shall remain from day to day solely on strict compliance with the show NPE Show Rules & Regulations and regulations, policies, and guidelines. Show Management reserves the right to reject, eject, or prohibit any exhibit in whole, or in part, or exhibitor or exhibitor's booth personnel. If an exhibitor or exhibitor booth personnel

is ejected for violation of these NPE Show Rules & Regulations or for other stated reasons, exhibitor shall be deemed to have cancelled its participation in the show and would be subject to the cancellation policy. (See Cancellation of Exhibitor Participation & Space Changes Rule)

Machinery, Robots & Equipment Placement (6.6)

Placement of equipment, machinery and robots must be contained within an exhibit booth space and in compliance with the following:

- No height limitation (other than ceiling height limitations of the exposition halls) shall apply to machinery or equipment placed in position comparable to actual utilization for industrial purposes.
- No exhibit or advertising or portion of a machine, product or display piece may extend beyond the boundaries of the exhibitor's assigned exhibit space and must be compliant to any setback requirements.
- Obstruction of aisles or neighboring booths is not permitted.
- All demonstration equipment that includes machinery, machine monitors/screens (HMI's), keypads, rotating extensions, demonstration, and operators' position must be located inside the rented booth space with a 1ft (.304m) set back from the aisle for safety purposes.
- TV monitors are exempt from the 1ft (.304m) setback rule.
- Any demonstration or activity that results in excessive obstruction of aisles or prevents ready access to a nearby exhibitor's space shall be suspended for a period specified by Show Management.
- Exhibitors who require high pressure compressed air for their exhibit must include the air compressor within their purchased exhibit space. Air compressors will not be permissible in the parking lots of the OCCC or beneath the exhibit halls.

Floor Load Capacity (6.7)

The floor load capacity is 400 pounds per square foot (PSF) in the South and North exhibit halls and 400PSF in the West halls except in a designated area within West Hall A where the floor load is 300PSF. View the NPE2027 floor plan to review designated areas.

To determine the PSF criteria, divide the total weight in pounds of your machine by the square foot contact area of the machine on the exhibit floor. If the result is greater than the designated floor load capacity, please contact Show Management at exhibit@npe.org.

PSF sample calculation:

Machine weight = 20,000 lbs.

Length and width of machine = 15ft x 5ft (Total area = 75sf)

Calculation is $20,000 / 75 = 267\text{PSF}$

Under no circumstances may the weight of any equipment or exhibit material exceed the hall's maximum floor load capacity. Exhibitors accept full and sole responsibility for any injury or damage to property or person resulting from failure, knowingly or otherwise, to distribute the load of their exhibit material in conformity with the maximum floor load specifications.

Aisles (6.8)

All aisle space belongs to PLASTICS. Obstruction of aisles is not permitted.

To expedite the movement of freight in and out of the exhibit halls, certain aisles (highlighted in red) have been designated as Freight aisles. Exhibitors are not permitted to place any freight or display materials in the aisles during move-in or move-out. These aisles must be kept clear at all times. View NPE2027 Floor Plan to understand designated "No Freight" aisles.

Exhibitors with live shows or any other activity that is meant to draw attendees must occupy only their exhibit space to accommodate not only the show but also the audience. Furthermore, the stage for the show, or central floor plan for the booth activity must be located inside the booth and directed to an audience inside the booth not to an audience that would congregate in the aisles or in neighboring booths. Additionally, all guests and catering elements must be fully contained within the purchased exhibit space.

If any activity impedes the flow of traffic in the aisles, the show or activity will be terminated immediately by Show Management and/or the OCCC Fire Marshal. No warning will be issued to re-position the stage or activity to accommodate an audience.

Last In/First Out (LIFO) Sections (6.9)

Each exhibitor is assigned target dates and time slots for installation (move-in) and dismantling (move-out) of display material, equipment and machinery at the Orange County Convention Center (OCCC).

To manage the tight move-in and move-out schedule, some sections of booths in the West and South Halls will be marked as Last In/First Out (LIFO) zones. These sections of booths will be highlighted on the NPE2027 target move-in and move-out schedules and, without exception, exhibitors who select a booth within the LIFO zones must adhere to the following NPE Show Rules & Regulations:

- Booths in LIFO zones may not exceed 10' in depth, unless otherwise noted on the target move-in/move-out floor plans.
- Exhibitors in LIFO zones may not begin move-in before Friday, April 30, 2027, at 8:00 a.m. ET.
- Exhibitors in LIFO zones must begin dismantling immediately after the show closes on Friday, May 7, 2027, at 3:00 p.m. ET, and complete move-out by midnight that day.

Columns (6.10)

If a column containing fire hose cabinets, fire strobe light warnings, and/or fire alarm pull stations is located within an exhibitor's booth, exhibitor must always follow OCCC facility regulations and fire and safety regulations requiring that fire safety supports be visible and accessible.

To view columns with fire cabinet, fire strobe light warnings, and/or fire alarm pull stations, visit the NPE2027 floor plan and the Facility Legend.

Installation & Dismantle Labor (6.11)

As general contractor, Freeman, has an agreement with the Local IATSE Union to provide labor for display installation and dismantling. Full-time employees of exhibiting companies may set their own exhibits without assistance from this local union. Any labor services that may be required beyond what your regular full-time employees can provide must be rendered by union labor. Labor can be ordered in advance through the Freeman exhibitor service kit or on site at the exhibitor service center.

Electrical Safety (6.12)

The OCCC is the exclusive provider of electric service at NPE. Refer to the Orange County Convention Center section of the Exhibitor Resource Center to place orders or for additional information.

Exhibitors agree that:

- All wiring for displays or display fixtures must conform to the National Fire Protection Association NFPA 70 and Electrical Standard for Industrial Machinery or superseding standards and the Orlando Electrical Code.
- All display wiring must exhibit the seal, and/or such other seals of official approving agencies as may be required at the exposition complex.
- Wiring laid across floors shall be guarded by wood, metal, or other acceptable covers. All wiring for machines and displays must include one wire for ground.

Safety: Machinery, Robot & Exhibit (6.13)

Exhibitors are solely responsible for compliance with national, state, and local laws and regulations in the provision and maintenance of adequate safety devices and conditions for the installation and operation of machinery and equipment displays.

Robots mounted to any piece of plastic processing equipment shall reference the appropriate ANSI/PLASTICS B151 standard regarding guarding/safeguarding of said robot when mounted to the specific type of machinery referenced in the appropriate ANSI/

PLASTICS B151 standard. If the robot is not mounted to a piece of plastic processing equipment, then the robot must be guarded/safeguarded per ANSI/RIA 15.06.

Robots must be classified as “collaborative” if they are to be displayed without risk reduction measures (safeguarding) as discussed above. Collaborative operations may include one or more of the following methods (described in more detail below), any of which are permissible for exhibitors to use:

- Safety-rated monitored stop,
- Hand guiding,
- Speed and separation monitoring, and/or
- Power and force limiting.

Robots designed for collaborative operation shall provide a visual indication when the robot is in collaborative operation and shall comply with one or more of the requirements listed in ISO 10218-1 section 5.10.2 to 5.10.5. The power and force limiting function of the robot shall comply to ISO 10218-1 section 5.4. If any parameter limit is exceeded, a protective stop shall be issued. For questions regarding collaborative robots refer to ISO/TS 15066 which contains valuable guidance on risk assessment for the integration of collaborative robots.

Special caution should be taken when demonstrating machinery or equipment that has moving parts or any product that is otherwise potentially dangerous. All machinery/equipment must be set back at least 1ft from all aiseways for safety purposes. Demonstrations should only be conducted by qualified personnel. No portion of a machine, product or display piece may extend beyond the boundaries of the exhibitor’s assigned exhibit space.

Any demonstration or activity that results in excessive obstruction of aisles or prevents ready access to a nearby exhibitor’s space shall be suspended for any period specified by Show Management.

All displays, exhibit materials and equipment must be reasonably located and protected by safety guards and fireproofing to prevent fire hazards and accidents. Adequate fencing and/or shielding of all operating machinery displays must be installed to prevent attendees from coming into contact with the operating machinery and/or its movement by reaching over, under or around such protection.

Hazardous & Prohibited Material (6.14)

Exhibitors shall not bring upon the OCCC premises any exhibit, equipment, product, material, or vehicle that, in the judgment of Show Management or the OCCC, would be, or might be, dangerous to persons and/or property and/or otherwise incompatible with the structure, systems, and furnishings of the OCCC. Hazardous chemicals and materials, including, but not limited to, pesticides, herbicides, poisons, flammable and combustible liquids, hazardous gases, and chemicals (including oxidizers) are prohibited inside the OCCC. Hazardous waste includes materials that are ignitable, corrosive, reactive, toxic, or biohazards (as defined under 40 CFR 261 subpart C and D). The following list includes, but is not limited to, hazardous materials that are banned from usage:

Polyurethane/PUR

Compressed inert gases may be used provided the vessels are stored in a safe manner. Demonstrations involving inert gases must comply with all federal and local regulations. Gasoline, kerosene, diesel fuel, combustible gases, or other flammable liquids may not be stored (permanently or temporarily) in the OCCC during the show or during move-in and move-out.

Exhibitors are responsible for immediate cessation and removal of hazardous waste and must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Failure to comply will result in removal charges, and exhibitor agrees to promptly pay those charges, reflecting actual removal costs and personnel fees, as calculated and billed by Show Management to exhibiting company, as well as any and all general show penalties. (See Terms, Conditions, Penalties).

Fire Hose Cabinets, Alarms & Exits (6.15)

Firefighting and emergency equipment may not be hidden or obstructed, including fire extinguishers, strobes, fire hose cabinets and standpipes. All emergency exits, hallways and aisles leading from the OCCC must be kept clear and unobstructed. Fire lanes must always be maintained on the loading docks (also see Columns rule 6.9).

Booth Décor Basics (6.16)

Show Management shall have full discretion and authority in the placing, arrangement, and appearance of all items displayed by exhibitor. Show Management may require the replacing, rearrangement, or redecorating of any item or of any booth which Show Management deems inconsistent with the Principal Purpose or inappropriate for any other reason and no liability shall attach to Show Management for compliance costs incurred by exhibitor.

All booths must have flooring in the form of carpet or other material that is not the pre-existing convention concrete floor.

Exhibitors building back wall or side dividers for their displays agree that the surfaces of such are finished in a manner that are not unsightly, from any direction on the show floor. If any surfaces remain unfinished or in any way violate other display NPE Show Rules & Regulations, Show Management shall authorize the official decorator to correct the necessary finishing and the violating exhibitor agrees to pay all related expenses. This regulation also applies to curved displays whether they are constructed of cloth or wire. Exhibitors must order drape (masking) from Freeman or provide some other display component(s) to conceal wires or other unsightly materials behind any curved displays.

Signage (6.17)

Signs involving the use of neon or similar gases are prohibited.

Exhibitors will not place signs promoting another company's name in their booth or on machinery in their booth, except where such signs are required for the proper demonstration or operation of exhibitor's display, in which case identification of such articles shall be limited to the nameplate, imprint, or other identification which in standard practice normally appears on them.

Should the wording on any sign be deemed by Show Management, in its sole discretion to be contrary in any way to the Principal Purpose, exhibitor shall, at Show Management's request and at its own expense, immediately remove said sign or make such changes as are requested. If exhibitor refuses Show Management's request, Show Management reserves the right to remove the sign at exhibitor's expense.

Exhibitor must submit a NPE2027 Booth Design Approval Form, including complete booth drawings noting all hanging elements by March 5, 2027 for prior approval.

Hanging: Displays, Signs, Banners & Trusses (6.18)

Show Management permits ceiling-hung corporate identification for exhibiting companies occupying island or split island space of 400sf or more in the South and West Halls, except for inline booths and in a limited, low-ceiling areas in the West Hall, provided the guidelines listed below are followed. No variances will be permitted.

- Hanging elements must be included on booth drawings submitted to Show Management for approval.
- Hanging signs, trusses, and graphics must be set back 10ft from adjacent booths and be hung directly over an exhibitor's contracted space only.
- Bottoms of hanging signs must be a minimum of 18ft from the ground and no more than 26ft from the ground to the top of the sign.
- Overhead trusses may exceed the 26ft height limit.
- A 2ft vertical distance must separate hanging signs from all floor-supported displays/structure. The 2ft vertical distance applies to the full footprint of the booth space, regardless of placement of banners and displays. The 2ft vertical distance does not apply to machinery in its original form.

Should an exhibitor's hanging sign be in violation, or the content on any sign be deemed by Show Management to be contrary in any way to the Principal Purpose, exhibitor shall immediately be required to make changes requested by Show Management and assume responsibility for any expense incurred (also refer to Signs 6.16). Show Management reserves the right to deny any hanging structure on site (truss or signage) if the hanging sign is in violation of said NPE Show Rules & Regulations. It is imperative that all procedures be followed properly:

Ceiling Heights:

West Hall A, B, D	40ft to beam
West Hall C	33ft to beam

West Hall E	30ft to beam
South/North Hall	40ft to beam

Prior approval is required by March 5, 2027, for all hanging signs or elements. Exhibitors must submit their NPE2027 Booth Design Approval Form and submit completed booth drawings, including any/all hanging elements, along with elevation plans. The booth drawing should include the relationship of the hanging sign to the perimeter of booth, views of all four sides of the booth and a front elevation view showing sign height over booth to include truss. Designs should also include final use of all logos and graphics. Any changes after initial approval will require resubmission and new approvals.

Please review Hanging Items requirements in the OCCC section of the Exhibitor Resource Center.

Hydraulic Oil Usage (6.19)

Exhibitor agrees to notify Show Management of their intent to use Hydraulic Oil. Hydraulic oil usage is permissible provided Show Management is notified in advance by March 2, 2027, of the quantity and anticipated delivery date to the exhibit floor based on the scheduled move in/out dates shown on the Target Floor Plan available within the Exhibitor Resource Center under the Freeman section.

Exhibitors are not permitted to place containers of hydraulic oil in the aisles during installation or dismantling periods of the show. Aisles must be kept clear at all times.

Trusses (6.20)

Exhibitors planning to install trusses over their booths should refer to Hanging: Displays, Signs, Banners & Trusses rule. Exhibitors must submit NPE2027 Booth Design Approval Form, including hanging signs and complete booth drawings, to Show Management for approval by March 5, 2027.

Anchoring Machinery (6.21)

Some exhibits require anchoring to set up operating machinery demonstrations. Anchoring is permitted but MUST be approved by the OCCC in advance and must comply with OCCC facility specifications and guidelines. OCCC staff must do all in booth anchoring/drilling. The exhibitor must submit a copy of their floor plan for prior approval and should be clearly noted within their submitted booth drawing. (See Booth Display NPE Show Rules & Regulations 6.1)

A maximum of 4 holes/points – Available in West Exhibit Halls B-E & entire South Hall. NO anchoring is permitted in West Hall A.

Specific details on anchoring requirements with OCCC can be found in the Exhibitor Resource Center.

Balloons, Air Devices & Drones (6.22)

Any exhibitor intending to utilize balloons, air devices and/or drones are required to obtain approval from Show Management and the OCCC in advance. All exhibitor promotional activities, balloons, air devices and/or drones must remain within the confines of exhibitor's contracted space. The use of drones, or other airborne recording devices" will NOT be permitted during show hours. Exhibitors must complete and submit the OCCC NPE2027 Balloons & Other Lighter-Than-Air Objects Agreement for prior approval by April 2, 2024.

Vehicle Displays (6.23)

Motorized vehicles propelled by internal combustion engines using a Class I or Class II fuel, such as, but not limited to automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, aircraft, watercraft, and lawnmowers are permissible within the exhibit halls.

When placing motorized vehicles inside any area of the OCCC, occupancy levels must be considered regarding exits and exit access, so that these areas remain free of any obstructions, thereby ensuring a clear path for emergency egress. Vehicles must be positioned using a spotter from Freeman prior to Sunday, May 5, 2024, 4:00 PM

Each vehicle will be subject to inspection for compliance with the following items:

- All fuel tank openings shall be locked and sealed to prevent escape of vapors. Fuel tanks may not contain more than one-quarter capacity or 10 gallons of fuel whichever is less
- At least one battery cable must be removed from the batteries used to start the vehicle engine. The disconnected battery cable must be taped
- Batteries used to power auxiliary equipment are permitted to be kept in service
- Fueling or de-fueling of vehicles within the OCCC is prohibited
- Vehicles may not be moved during official show hours
- Vehicles that will be running during show hours must be approved in advance by the OCCC Fire Marshal.

Electronic Vehicles (EV) are permitted on the show floor as display or stationary vehicles subject to the following regulations:

- Vehicle must have a kill switch and/or battery disconnect.
- If there is a fuel tank, it must comply with the existing display vehicle guidelines (gas cap taped, ¼ tank or 10 gallons, whichever is less] and battery disconnected).
- Charging batteries is prohibited in the building.
- Vehicles, boats, and similar exhibited products with over 100sf of covered area must be protected with a listed smoke alarm.

Booth Security Needs (6.24)

While NPE exhibits are open, a limited number of perimeter security staff will be provided. Notwithstanding the foregoing, PLASTICS and the Orange County Convention Center will not be liable for loss or damage to exhibitor's property. Show Management will not be responsible for any injury that may occur at the show and/or any exhibit space, and/or to the Exhibitor's employees, contractors, or agents, or for the loss of, or damage to, any material from any cause whatsoever, whether in transit to or from, and/or during the show, regardless of whether Show Management furnishes attendants, guards or night watchpersons. Exhibitors are advised to obtain additional insurance coverage in advance to cover losses such as theft and damage to property. Additional security may be ordered from the exclusive provider of security at NPE2027 (see official partners listing for contact details). Order forms can be found on the Exhibitor Resource Center. Exhibitors should always ensure any valuables are secured with lock and key.

Other Activities

Display or demonstration items outside the exhibit space or scheduling of private functions, cocktail parties, special events, etc., during the period of set up, show days or dismantle will be permitted only with the prior written permission of Show Management. Companies must submit to Show Management a description of any program intended to be held at, or in conjunction with or outside of its exhibit space.

Show Management reserves the right to control all suites and meeting rooms in the OCC and in those hotels participating in the show housing block. These controls have already been set up with each property. Suites and meeting rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and only to exhibitors and organizations allied with PLASTICS. Companies may request function space, including meeting and hospitality rooms by **INSERT METHOD FOR MAKING REQUEST**.

7. Affiliates, Divisions, Partnerships and Subleasing

Previous show cycles do not constitute future show affiliate/partner approvals and the NPE Show Rules & Regulations noted herein will be strictly enforced.

Primary Exhibitor names may not be changed to incorporate other company names.

All applications for affiliates and partnerships are subject to Show Management approval.

Affiliates/Divisions/Subsidiaries (7.1)

Affiliates (aka divisions, subsidiaries) of an exhibitor may be eligible for representation in the exhibitor's booth upon verification of eligibility and approval by Show Management. Affiliates are defined as two or more companies that are legally related entities (i.e., parent company and subsidiary; subsidiaries of the same parent company; a corporation and division or a controlled company).

If exhibitor is a member of PLASTICS and receives NPE benefits, the exhibitor's membership status must include and be associated with the affiliate(s) represented in the booth or the affiliate(s) must independently maintain a continuous membership in PLASTICS associated with the primary exhibitor's membership.

Some examples of valid affiliate requests:

1. A second division within your company that uses a varied location name:
 - Corporate ABC Corp. (based in Los Angeles) and its affiliate ABC-FL (from Florida)
2. A sister company, under the same ownership, which uses a different public name for a product line:
 - ABC Corp. and its product company LA Custom Molding (a division of ABC Corp.)

Some examples of invalid affiliate requests:

1. Two neighboring companies that have a similar customer base: Company ABC Corp. and its neighbor SDJ Products, located nearby.
2. A distributor for a company, with no legal relation, just a partnership: Company ABC Corp. and its distributor XYZ Sales. (This may be a valid Partnership - see Partnerships 7.2)

Please email exhibit@npe.org for specific details and documents that are required for review, verification of eligibility and processing.

Partnerships (7.2)

A primary exhibitor may add a partner company that is defined as separate company (such as a sole distributor or outside sales company) with a formal contract/agreement in place for profit/sales sharing. The contract between the parties must be in place for at least six months before (November 2026) and after (November 2027) show dates.

Some examples of valid partnership requests:

1. A contracted distributor:
 - Exhibiting company, ABC Corp., has a partnership with their North American distributor, XYZ Sales. ABC Corp. and XYZ Sales have a contracted, profit based, distributor partnership.
2. A contracted sales representative/agency:
 - Exhibiting company SDJ Products manufactures a proprietary item. SDJ Products has a sales-representative based partnership with Smith Sales where Smith Sales does all in-person sales.

Some examples of invalid partnership requests:

1. The owners of exhibiting company HH Corporation know the owners of Dansus Molding and regularly share ideas about and contacts within the industry. They do not have a contract for profit/sales sharing.
2. The Vice President of ABC Corp. left to start new company XYZ Industries. There is no correlation between the two companies now, other than friendly competition.

Affiliate/Partner Pricing & Benefits (7.3)

Affiliate Inclusions	PLASTICS Member Exhibitor	Non-Member Exhibitor
Affiliate Fee	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00
Standard Online Listing	Yes	Yes
Printed Directory Listing & Onsite Show Materials	With approval before March 1, 2027	
Show History Point	Yes	No
Complimentary Exhibitor Personnel Passes Included	Calculated based on booth size	5

Partnership Inclusions	PLASTICS Member Exhibitor	Non-Member Exhibitor
Partnership Fee	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00
Standard Online Listing	Yes	Yes
Printed Directory Listing	With approval before March 1, 2027	
& Onsite Show Materials	With approval before March 1, 2027	No
Show History Point	No	No
Complimentary Exhibitor Personnel Passes Included	5	5

Subleasing (7.4)

Exhibitor may not sublet its space, nor any part thereof, nor exhibit, offer for sale, give as premium, or advertise articles not manufactured or sold in its Exhibitor's name, except where such articles are required for proper demonstration or operation of Exhibitor's display, in which case identification shall be limited to the nameplate, imprint, or other identification which, in standard practice, appears normally on them. Exhibitor may not permit non-exhibiting Exhibitor representatives to occupy or sell non-exhibiting Exhibitor services or products in its booth. Rulings of Show Management shall, in all instances, be final regarding use of exhibit space. Failure to abide by this rule may result in immediate removal from the show at the full expense of the exhibiting Exhibitor.

8. Move-In, Move-Out and Storage

Move-in & Move-Out Schedules (8.1)

Exhibitors' move-in and move-out are targeted by booth and location within the hall. Please refer to the Target Floor Plan in the Exhibitor Resource Center for your assigned move-out date and time.

*Dark Day: Exhibitors are allowed to work within their booth spaces. Freeman and other services will only be available if ordered in advance.

Target Dates (8.2)

Move-in (inbound) and move-out (outbound) target dates will be assigned to each exhibitor by Freeman. Please refer to the Target Floor Plan and Move In/Move Out Procedures in the Exhibitor Resource Center for assignments and specific details. All shipments must arrive on the assigned target date and time for check-in at the Freeman Marshaling Yard. Off-target freight will incur additional charges over and above the NPE Bundle Package pricing.

Any request for target date changes should be received by March 1, 2027. No requests will be accepted after this date.

Storage Within Booths (8.3)

Exhibitors may keep excess supplies, collateral, etc. in their booths provided these items are concealed from view in cabinets, closets, etc. These items cannot be stored within sight or behind booths.

Booth Crate Storage (8.4)

Special care will be necessary in unpacking merchandise for display. Cardboard cartons will not be accepted for storage unless they are broken down flat, securely tied into bundles and properly tagged. As soon as possible, Freeman will temporarily remove your empty skids, crates, cartons, containers (including plastic), and packaging materials labeled with “Empty” stickers. This will make it necessary to remove everything from the crate once it is opened and place an “empty” label on it immediately for removal. Be sure to remove all of the older labels first. “Empty” stickers are available from the Freeman Exhibitor Service Areas, located in both West and South halls.

No boards or skids will be accepted for storage unless securely tied into bundles and tagged. Materials not in accord with these regulations will be considered refuse and will be disposed of by the cleaners. It is suggested that small crates be nested into larger ones to reduce the number of pieces to be stored and thereby hasten their return during dismantling. To facilitate re-packing merchandise at the end of the show, some exhibitors have found it convenient to remove smaller, broken-down cartons to their cars and/or hotel rooms for ready access.

Stored, empty containers will be returned to you during the dismantling period. Arrangements for storage and delivery of materials can be made through Freeman.

Move-Out Material Removal from Premises (8.5)

Exhibitor is liable for all storage, handling and refuse charges resulting from failure to properly remove all exhibit material from booth space and OCCC before the conclusion of the move-out period as specified by Show Management. Fines may be assessed by Freeman or OCCC (for labor or storage costs) and Show Management (for environmental disposal costs). Exhibitors are encouraged to contact Show Management prior to show commencement for information on post-show donations, eWaste or other removal assistance.

Hand Carrying Items On and Off of the Show Floor (8.6)

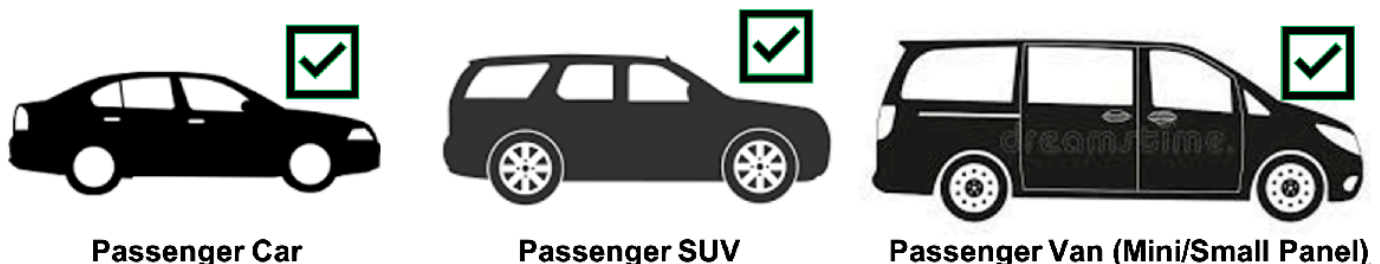
Exhibitors are allowed to bring in small, hand carried items either through the front concourse or designated freight areas.

Allowable Hand Carry:

Allowable hand carried items are ones that can be brought in through the front doors of OCCC, the garage and through the lobby/concourse onto the show floor or designated freight/shipping doors. The following devices can be used.



If using the designated freight doors, exhibitors can utilize a personal vehicle for drop off. Personal vehicles are considered:



**Plus other vehicles as noted by General Contractor*

Hand Carry Restrictions:

Items carried or transported through the freight or bay doors are considered freight and must follow the standard drayage/material handling NPE Show Rules & Regulations. The following items are examples of restricted items that cannot be used for hand carried items.



The following vehicles are not considered hand carry vehicles and therefore require marshalling yard check-in procedures.



**Plus other large format trucks as noted by General Contractor*

9. Exhibitor Conduct

Noise Levels (9.1)

Exhibitors operating sound reproducing, or sound amplifying equipment are required to operate in such a manner that a maximum 85 decibel reading on the “A” scale of a sound level meter may be read at the aisle(s) space adjacent to their booth or measured at a neighboring booth in an area bordering that of the sound equipment user. No noisy or obstructive work will be permitted during show hours, nor will loudly operating displays be allowed.

Show Management shall be the sole arbiter of acceptability of sound levels and may require reduction of sound level or elimination of sound reproducing devices in those instances where in the judgment of Show Management such sound is in violation of these standards or otherwise objectionable.

Equipment or machinery producing excessive vibration of building components or exhibits, or excessive noise may be subject to limited or no operation if, in the judgment of Show Management, it interferes with neighboring exhibits or with the show. OSHA's Occupational Noise Exposure Standard, 29 C.F.R. 1910.95 establishes maximum permissible noise levels tied to the time of exposure. In addition to complying with that rule, exhibitors operating equipment during the show must operate the equipment so that peak and/or continual noise levels do not interfere with other exhibitors or the show.

Generally, PLASTICS strives to maintain ambient noise at a level not to exceed 85 decibels and to minimize the magnitude and frequency of noise peaks that exceed that level.

Sound level violations should be reported directly to Show Management. NPE noise policy enforcement procedure is as follows:

- An exhibitor in violation of this policy will receive a verbal warning from the NPE team.

- If a second infraction occurs, the exhibitor will receive a written warning delivered by the NPE team.
- If the exhibitor continues to violate the policy, the electrical power for the sound producing elements will be shut down.

Odors (9.2)

No exhibit producing objectionable odors is permitted. Show Management reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to order the immediate removal of an exhibit that produces objectionable odors or to have such an exhibit removed at exhibitor's expense.

Copyright, Patent & Trademark Infringements (9.3)

Show Management's trademarks, logos, and service marks are and will remain the sole property of Show Management. Nothing in these show NPE Show Rules & Regulations and regulations confers upon exhibitor any right of ownership in Show Management's trademarks, logos, or service marks ("PLASTICS IP"). Exhibitor shall not use PLASTICS IP without the express written consent of Show Management. Exhibitor hereby grants Show Management a non-exclusive, non-transferable, and non-sublicensable license right to use its trademarks, logos, and service marks ("Exhibitor IP") subject to any restrictions specified in these show NPE Show Rules & Regulations and regulations.

Exhibitor represents and warrants to Show Management that no materials used in or in connection with their exhibit infringe the trademarks, copyrights (including, without limitation, copyrights in music and other materials used or broadcast by exhibitor) or other intellectual property rights of any third party. Exhibitor agrees to immediately notify Show Management of any information of which the Exhibitor becomes aware regarding actual or alleged infringement of any third party's trademarks, copyrights or other intellectual property rights. Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Show Management, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns harmless from and against all losses, damages and costs (including attorney's fees) arising out of or related to claims of infringement by Exhibitor of the trademarks, copyrights and other intellectual property rights of any third party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Show Management is not liable for and expressly disclaims all liability for infringement or alleged infringement of the trademarks, copyrights or other intellectual property of any third party arising out of the actions of any exhibitor. The terms of this provision shall survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

Exhibitor covenants not to sue, file or maintain any action in law or in equity against Show Management, its officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns (a) for any use or display by any third party of intellectual property at or in connection with any show event or function infringes or otherwise violates any right or title held by the Exhibitor or any of its officers, directors, and owners; and/or (b) for contributory infringement, or any other theory that Show Management is indirectly or secondarily liable for the intellectual property violation of another party.

Show Management does not take sides in intellectual property disputes between its members or third parties, nor is it willing to be drawn into any disputes between members and/or third parties over intellectual property rights. However, if Show Management determines with reasonable certainty, in its sole discretion, that an intended use of intellectual property constitutes a violation of another's rights, Show Management reserves the right to impose restrictions on the actions of members and/or exhibitors during the show. Unless mandated by law, service of process in connection with any type of legal proceeding is prohibited to take place on show floor.

Videotaping & Photography (9.4)

No photographing/ videotaping, live-streaming, or broadcasting of a booth, equipment and/or display material will be permitted without the express permission of exhibitor. Should an exhibitor object to its display being photographed (still or in motion), photographs/videos of that display will be prohibited. Show Management has appointed official photographers to provide commercial photographs of exhibits. No other commercial photographer/videographer will be admitted to the exhibits without the approval of Show Management and unless special arrangements are made as required by Show Management, including, but not limited to, hiring approved security to escort such photographer while inside the exhibition halls. Please refer to the Security Order Form in the NPE2027 Exhibitor Resource Center.

Anyone found to be taking unauthorized photographs (still or in motion) within the exhibit halls and/or registration areas, will be ejected from the show and have their photography equipment confiscated. If the violator of this policy is an exhibitor, Show Management reserves the right to remove the exhibit and exhibitor from the show at the exhibitor's expense.

Official Show Management photographers will have a specialty badge. Please look for this designation.

Show Management occasionally uses photographs, videos and audio recordings of the exhibitors and the exhibit space personnel in promotional materials. By virtue of participation in the show, Exhibitor, on behalf of its employees, agents and contractors, automatically agrees to usage of any such person's likeness in such materials with no remuneration to Exhibitor or to its employees, agents or contractors.

Food & Beverages (9.5)

Catering and concessions are provided by the OCCC's exclusive food service partner Sodexo Live.

Exhibitors requiring food and beverage must use Sodexo Live for all in-booth and OCCC meeting space catering. Absolutely no food or beverage may be brought on to the OCCC premises without prior written authorization from Sodexo Live. Exhibitors may also not sell or resell any food and beverages onsite.

Food Distribution (9.6)

Sampling of food or non-alcoholic/alcoholic beverages offered by exhibitors must be approved in writing by Sodexo Live in advance of the show date and requires exhibitor to be a distributor or manufacturer of the products to be sampled. Such samples must be show related. Sampling portions for food are limited to three-ounce servings and non-alcoholic/alcoholic beverages are limited to four-ounce servings.

Booth Personnel & Staffing (9.7)

All booths must be staffed during posted exhibit hours, unless approved, in advance by Show Management. Failure to comply will be subject to removal of its exhibit from the show at exhibitor's expense, a loss of Show History and exclusion from participation in the next show cycle.

Exhibitors are not permitted to dismantle or remove their exhibits prior to the official show closing at 3:00PM on Friday, May 7, 2027, without prior written permission from Show Management. Failure to comply to this will result in a loss of Show History and exclusion from participation in the next show cycle or additional penalties as noted in Section 1.2 of this contract.

Exhibitor's booth personnel shall be exhibitor's employees (permanent or temporarily hired) who are staffing the exhibitor's booth. All booth personnel must maintain a professional appearance. All staff hired for the event (defined as any booth personnel who are not a full-time employee of the exhibiting Exhibitor) must wear professional business attire. Show Management considers as inappropriate apparel and/or costumes that are not normally worn by business professionals in offices or factories or directly related to the brand. Should an exhibitor wish to utilize costumed mascot, prior Show Management approval is required.

Solicitation & Promotions (9.8)

Exhibitor booth personnel may conduct discussions, answer questions, explain exhibitor's products or services, or engage in sales solicitation or order taking within their purchased exhibit space. Such activities cannot be conducted in any manner which is inconsistent with or deviates from the Principal Purpose and shall cease immediately upon notification by Show Management.

Selling is permitted on the exhibit floor provided exhibitor abides by Florida state laws, is solely responsible for collection and remittance of all applicable sales or other taxes and conducts business in a professional manner. Exhibitor may not, however exhibit, offer for sale, deliver product, give as premium, or advertise articles not manufactured or sold in exhibitor's name, except where such articles are required for proper demonstration or operation of exhibitor's display, in which case identification shall be limited to the nameplate, imprint, or other identification which in standard practice appears normally on them.

Booth personnel are not permitted to promote the exhibiting Exhibitor outside the contracted exhibit space. This rule applies to Exhibitor personnel and any exhibit personnel hired for the show period. Show Management reserves the right to remove said individuals. Exhibitor's employees not acting as booth personnel during the show must register as attendees. This includes but is not limited to the distribution of materials or performing of any other solicitations in the aisles or public areas. Show Management, at its discretion, may take any action it deems appropriate against an exhibitor for conduct detrimental to the show. Such penalties may include issuing written warnings, expulsion from a show, suspension or elimination of NPE show history points, etc.

Handouts & Giveaways (9.9)

Exhibitors may distribute promotional items such as samples, souvenirs, publications, sales literature, buttons, stickers, lapel pins, etc., within their purchased exhibit space. The distribution of any articles that interfere with the activities in or obstruct access to neighboring booths or that impedes aisles, is prohibited. Distribution of any materials or performing of any other solicitations in the aisles or public areas is prohibited. Show Management, at its discretion, may take any action it deems appropriate (including, but not limited to issuing written warnings, expulsion from the show, and/or suspension or elimination of NPE show history points) against an exhibitor for conduct detrimental to the show.

Booth Events, Games & Contests (9.10)

Exhibitor must submit the Booth Events & Hall Access Request Form to Show Management for prior approval by April 3, 2027, for any events, including, but not limited to shows, presentations, hospitality, press conferences, contests, operation of games of chance or lottery devices, and/or the actual or simulated pursuit of any recreational pastime to be held within its booth.

If a booth event is scheduled to be held before or after show hours, exhibitor is responsible for escorting invited guests directly to/from the show entrance and may be required to retain booth security guards for the event and. Exhibitor booth personnel and invited guests must remain in exhibitor's booth during the event.

On show days, no admission will be permitted to the show floor more than two hours prior to the show opening, and the show floor must be cleared two hours following the show's close. Exhibitor is responsible for all clean up necessary (vacuuming and trash removal) at the end of each event.

Any activity deemed by Show Management, in its sole discretion, to be objectionable, unsafe, or disruptive to neighboring exhibitors or attendees is prohibited and will be halted immediately upon the request of Show Management.

Music, Video, Photo & Copyrights (9.11)

Exhibitors using music in their booth, either live or mechanical, must provide Show Management with a copy of the exhibitor's licensing agreement with ASCAP, BMI, SESAC, or other such licensing organization or must expressly warrant in writing to Show Management that no such license is required due to exemption under 17 U.S.C. 110 (5) or other specified exemption.

Show Management reserves the right to remove from the exhibit halls, at exhibitor's expense, all or any part of any booth or display which incorporates copyrightable material for which exhibitor fails to produce proof that exhibitor holds all required licenses. Exhibitor shall remain liable for and shall indemnify, defend and hold Show Management, OCCC, and their respective agents, and employees, harmless from all loss, claims, causes of action, suits, damages, liability, expenses, and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising from or out of any violation or infringement (or claimed violation or infringement) by exhibitor and/or exhibitor's employees, agents or contractors.

10. Insurance

Indemnification (10.1)

Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Show Management, OCCC, and their respective agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities, actions, suits, demands, damages, costs, and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees), made by anyone including but not limited to exhibitor's employees (including booth personnel), NPE2027 attendees, and/or other exhibitors arising out of or relating to any alleged personal and/or economic injury while attending or working at the show arising out of, caused or allegedly caused, by exhibitor's machinery, exhibit and/or activities at exhibitor's booth, any breach of these NPE Show Rules & Regulations, and/or any alleged wrongful acts or negligence of exhibitor or its agents, contractors or employees. Additionally, exhibitor agrees to make no claim for any reason whatsoever against Orange County Convention Center, City of Orlando, and/or State of Florida, for loss, theft, damage, or destruction of goods; or for any injury to himself/herself or employees while in the exposition complex; or for any damage of any nature, including damage to their business by reason of failure to provide space for their exhibit; or for any action of any nature of PLASTICS, Freeman, Orange County Convention, City of Orlando, and State of Florida, for failure to hold the show as scheduled, or any other claim as it relates to NPE2027.

Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Show Management, its directors, officers, agents, representatives and employees, and each of them, the OCC and other show vendors and their respective employees and agents harmless against all claims, losses, damages, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including attorneys' fees), damages to persons or property and governmental charges or fines arising out of or caused by: (i) the installation, removal, maintenance, occupancy or use of the show premises or a part there-

of; (ii) the performance or the breach of any term of the NPE Show Rules & Regulations or the Contract, applicable laws and regulations, or directive of Show Management; or (iii) the negligence, gross negligence or willful misconduct of Exhibitor, its employees, agents or contractors. The terms of this provision shall survive the termination or expiration of the Contract.

Certificate of Insurance (COI) (10.2)

Exhibitor shall, at its sole cost and expense, procure and maintain insurance as required by PLASTICS and subject to its NPE2027 Exhibitor Certificate of Insurance (COI) Guidelines, comprehensive general liability insurance against claims for bodily injury or death and property damage occurring in or upon or resulting from activities conducted on the premises leased by PLASTICS. Such insurance shall not contain a waiver of subrogation and shall include coverage stipulating:

- Contractual liability, compensatory damages, and special, indirect, consequential, and punitive (where allowed by applicable law) damages with combined single limits of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in aggregate
- The dates for insurance must be valid from April 20, 2027 through May 17, 2027
- Insurance shall name as additional insureds:
 1. Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS)
 2. Freeman
 3. Orange County Convention Center (OCCC)

Exhibitor agrees to provide Show Management acceptable evidence of insurance coverage meeting the required terms prior to delivering/shipping any equipment to the OCCC. All property of exhibitor is understood to remain under its custody and control in transit to and from the confines of the exhibit hall and during the show. Show Management does reserve the right to reject, eject, prohibit, or cease operation of any exhibit in totality or in part for non-compliance with safety requirements. Show Management will not assume liability for any injury that may occur to show visitors, exhibitors, or their agents and employees, or others.

Exhibitor agrees to carry and submit proof of insurance via email to exhibit@npe.org no later than January 29, 2027. Show Management reserves the right to withhold exhibitor's booth personnel registration, exhibit freight, installation of utilities, and/or other show services as it deems appropriate until COI is received.

A sample COI is available within the Exhibitor Resource Center. Hardcopies via mail will not be accepted.

Damage to Property (10.3)

Exhibitor is liable for any damage caused by it and/or its agents, including but not limited to exhibitor booth personnel, to building floors, walls, or columns, or to standard booth equipment, or to other exhibitors' property. Exhibitor may not apply paint, lacquer, adhesive, or other coating to building columns, floors or to standard booth equipment. Exhibitor is responsible for damage to its uncrated or improperly packed shipments, concealed damage, for loss or theft of its material after delivery to its booth, or before material is picked up for return movement.

It is expressly understood and agreed that exhibitor will make no claim of any kind against Show Management and/or Freeman, the general contractor, for any loss, damage, or destruction of goods, or for any damage of any nature to NPE2027 by reason of the failure to provide space for any exhibit and/or for the delivery or removal of the exhibit.

11. Show Floor & Exhibit Hall Access

Exhibit Hours (11.1)

Monday, May 3	9:00AM – 5:00PM
Tuesday, May 4	9:00AM – 5:00PM
Wednesday, May 5	9:00AM – 5:00PM
Thursday, May 6	9:00AM – 5:00PM
Friday, May 7	9:00AM – 3:00PM

Access to the Exhibit Floor (11.2)

All people on the exhibit floor must, at all times, have proper registration credentials as outlined by Show Management.

On show days, booth personnel will be permitted to enter the exhibit hall up to two hours before the scheduled opening time and will be permitted to remain in the exhibit hall two hours after show closing.

Booth visitors will not be permitted to enter the expo hall outside of show hours unless invited by exhibitor to a booth event pre-approved by Show Management. Exceptions must be requested in writing by submitting the Booth Events & Hall Access Request Form available on the Exhibitor Resource Center by the April 4, 2027, deadline.

Americans with Disabilities Act (11.4)

Exhibitors are advised of their obligations related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title III. The ADA requires that the exhibitor's display must be accessible to people with disabilities, and exhibitors acknowledge that it is solely responsible for assuring its display complies with the ADA.

Exhibitors hereby warrant that they will provide auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities suitable for effective communications between all parties in accordance with requirements of the ADA. Exhibitors further agree to indemnify, defend and hold Show Management, OCCC, and their respective agents, and employees harmless for any claims arising out of or in connection with the exhibitor's failure to comply with the ADA. Further information regarding ADA compliance is available at www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/infoline.htm.

Children (11.5)

No person under the age of 16 will be admitted in the exhibit halls during the installation and dismantling periods.

Persons 14-17 years of age will be permitted in the exhibit halls during official show hours under the supervision of an adult with proper credentials and prior Show Management approval via an Underage Minor Release Form. Show Management reserves the right to host student groups of any age on the show floor with appropriate supervision and guidance during show hours. All people on the exhibit floor must have proper registration credentials. No individual exceptions will be made. Companies who violate this or supply exhibit personnel badges to minors will be subject to penalties by Show Management (see Terms, Conditions, Penalties 1.2).

Animals (11.6)

No animals or pets, except for service animals, will be permitted in the exhibit halls at any time.

Exhibitor-Appointed Contractors (11.7)

Exhibitor Appointed Contractors (EAC) are non-direct employee personnel that assist in the design, build, dismantle and maintenance of your booth. The names of any persons or organizations that are not associated with NPE2027 Official Contractors and will perform of any services for your booth at NPE2027 must be registered as an Exhibitor Appointed Contractor (EAC) by March 18, 2027, for advance Show Management approval.

12. Shipping & Material Handling

Material Handling (12.1)

Material handling is defined as "the movement of show materials from shipping dock to booth for show set up and back to dock for return shipment at end of show." Material handling is also referred to as "drayage."

Certified weight tickets must accompany each individual shipment, including multiple shipments arriving on one truck.

PLASTICS and Freeman have created an NPE2027-exclusive Material Handling Bundle package to assist exhibitors in projecting budgets and controlling expenses. Each exhibitor is required to order a booth package if material handling is needed. Exhibitors who do not have material handling do not need to order the “NPE Bundle Package.” Refer to the Freeman - General Services Contractor section of the Exhibitor Resource Center for specific details on NPE2027 Bundle Packages and how to place orders as needed.

International Shipments (12.2)

Shipments initiating from outside the United States to the show site or advance warehouse may not reference, NPE, PLASTICS or Show Management as the consignor or recipient. Shipments must be consigned to the exhibitor, C/O Freeman.

13. Sponsorship Assignments & Policies

Sponsorship Sales – Right of First Refusal (13.1)

Sponsorships contracted by exhibitors for NPE2027 will be held for those companies on a Right of First Refusal basis for NPE2027 through March 30, 2026.

The NPE2027 Sponsorship Right of First Refusal opportunities will be classified as “Pending” until the signed sponsorship contract and full payment is received. Key dates for the Right of First Refusals are as follows:

December 3, 2025	Deadline for Exhibitor to submit an NPE2027 exhibit space application and appropriate space deposit payment to be eligible for its Right of First Refusal sponsorship opportunity.
March 30, 2026	Deposit due for 50% of total sponsorship fee. If the signed Sponsorship Contract and 50% deposit are not received by this date, the Right of First Refusal sponsorship will be released and placed into available sponsorship inventory.
June 30, 2026	100% sponsorship fee payment due date

Sponsorship Sales at NPE2027 Space Selection (13.2)

NPE2027 sponsorship opportunities will be available to companies on a first-come, first-served basis in the order of their space selection designation during the NPE2027 Space Selection. After Space Selection, sponsorship opportunities will be available to all companies on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Exhibitor must sign a Sponsorship Contract at the NPE2027 Space Selection to hold a sponsorship with a 50% deposit due on March 30, 2026, to secure the sponsorship opportunity. Payment of the sponsorship balance is due on June 30, 2026.

If the 50% deposit is not received by June 30, 2026, the sponsorship opportunity may be made available to other exhibiting companies at the discretion of Show Management.

Companies interested in a sponsorship which is pending Right of First Refusal, or which has been placed on hold by another Exhibitor during the NPE2027 Space Selection, may place their Exhibitor on a wait list for the sponsorship during their space selection designation. Should the sponsorship become available, the sponsorship will be offered to companies in the order of the sponsorship’s wait list until the sponsorship is secured.

Sponsorship Cancellation (13.3)

Sponsorship opportunities are offered to NPE2027 exhibitors unless otherwise approved by Show Management Sales. An Exhibitor agrees to pay the full amount due in the event Exhibitor cancels its sponsorship or exhibit space. If an Exhibitor cancels its

exhibit space all sponsorship opportunities secured by the Exhibitor will also be cancelled. Due to the difficulty of determining and detailing said losses, PLASTICS will retain sponsorship payments received as liquidated damages (and not a penalty) if a Exhibitor cancels its participation in the show and/or fails to occupy the exhibit space contracted/assigned.

All payments made by Exhibitor to PLASTICS are non-refundable and the full balance payment for the sponsorship contracted/assigned is required and is immediately due and owing to PLASTICS.

PLASTICS reserves the right to cancel any order and/or terminate the Sponsorship Contract in the event of a default by Sponsor, in which event all amounts payable under the Sponsorship Contract shall become immediately due and payable by the Exhibitor to PLASTICS. A default occurs when a Exhibitor fails to pay any amounts when due, becomes insolvent, makes an assignment for the benefits of creditors, is adjudged bankrupt, files a petition seeking relief as a debtor under the federal bankruptcy act or if a petition is filed against Sponsor for reorganization, or Exhibitor breaches any term or condition of the Sponsorship Contract.

Exhibitor understands and agrees that PLASTICS reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any sponsorship order for any reason at any time.

MEMBER LIST

PLASTICS does not sell its member list and such list shall be deemed the confidential information of PLASTICS. WARNING: No other individual or organization is authorized to market or sell attendee lists; beware of companies which appear to be authorized by PLASTICS attempting to sell such lists. Any exhibitors which are deemed by PLASTICS to be using its member list shall receive a cease-and-desist letter from PLASTICS prohibiting any further use of its member list.

ACCESS TO PERSONAL DATA

In connection with its participation in the show, exhibitors may have access to the personal data of members of PLASTICS or participants in the show. Exhibitor agrees that it shall be solely responsible for compliance with any applicable data protection laws and regulations in connection with such data including, but not limited to, the California Consumer Privacy Act ("CCPA") and the European Union's General Data Protection Regulations ("GDPR").

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

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