

Washington D.C. Travel & Adventure Show

Walter E. Washington Convention Center

January 17-18, 2026

MUST READ

Show Management, acting on behalf of all exhibitors and in the best interest of the exposition, has appointed an Official Service Contractor to perform and provide necessary services and equipment.

The Official Service Contractor is appointed to:

- a. Insure the orderly and efficient installation and removal of the overall exposition.
- b. Assure the distribution of labor to all Exhibitors according to need.
- c. Provide sufficient labor to satisfy the requirements of Exhibitors, and the exposition itself.
- d. See that the proper type and limits of insurance are in force.
- e. Avoid any conflict with local union and/or exhibit hall regulations and requirements.

The Official Service Contractor will provide all usual trade show services, including labor. Exceptions are:

- f. Supervision may be provided by the Exhibitor.
- g. The Exhibitor may appoint an outside independent contractor for installation and dismantle only of the Exhibitor's display.

Exhibitors may employ the service of independent contractors to supervise the installation and dismantlement of their displays, providing the Exhibitor and the installation and dismantling contractor comply with the following requirements:

1. The Exhibitor, in writing, must notify Expo Event Services of their intention to utilize an independent contractor no later than 25 days prior to the first move-in day, furnishing the name, address and telephone number of the firm. Letters as such from independent contractors are neither valid nor acceptable.
2. Only the Exhibitor-named independent contractor's employees will be authorized on the show floor. Employees of third parties named or subcontracted by the Exhibitor-named independent contractor will not be authorized admittance on the show floor unless those employees are named and badged as specified in the following article.
3. The independent contractor must furnish Expo Event Services with the names of all on-site employees who will be working on the exposition floor prior to the first move-in day. They must have and wear at all times identification badges supplied by the independent contractor containing the independent contractor name, employee name and Exhibitor Company name. In addition to an exhibitor work pass supplied by Show Management.
4. The independent contractor must have all business licenses, permits and Workman's Compensation insurance required by the State and City governments and the Venue prior to commencing work, and shall provide Show Management and Expo Event Services with evidence of compliance.
5. **The independent contractor must carry a minimum of \$1,000,000 in Public Liability Insurance and shall provide Show Management and Expo Event Services with a certificate of insurance showing the coverages and amounts, and naming the sponsor, Expo Event Services and the Venue as co-insured.**
6. The independent contractor must follow the scheduled work times or pay any additional cost incurred because of extended work hours.
7. The independent contractor may not solicit business on the exhibit floor.
8. The independent contractor must confine their operations to the exhibit area of their clients. No service desks, storage areas or other work facilities will be located anywhere else in the building. The show aisles and public spaces are not part of the Exhibitor's booth space.
9. The independent contractor must comply with all labor agreements and practices and must commit or allow to be committed by persons in their ployment any acts that could lead to work stoppages, strikes or labor problems.
10. The exposition floor, aisles, loading docks, service and storage areas will be under control of Expo Event Services.
11. For services such as electrical, plumbing, telephone, floral, booth cleaning and drayage, no contractor or support other than the Official Service Contractor/ Supplier will be approved. This regulation is necessary because of licensing, insurance, and work done on equipment and facilities owned by parties other than the Exhibitors. Exhibitors shall provide only the material and equipment they own and is to be used in their exhibit space.