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# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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info@comicconquebec.com
(tbd)

## EXHIBITORS PAGE

https://www.comicconquebec.com/en/exhibitors/

# SHOW LOCATION

Centre des congrès de Québec 1000 René-Lévesque Blvd East Québec City, QC G1R 5T8

# CUSTOMS BROKERAGE & CARRIER

Consult Expo Jeff Labbé 514-482-8886 ext. 7 jeff@consultexpoinc.com www.consultexpoinc.com/forms

# INTERNET, AUDIOVISUAL, IT EQUIPMENT & SERVICES (TBD)

# EXHIBITOR SERVICES: CLEANING, BANNERS, ELECTRICITY, ETC.

Québec City Convention Centre Exhibitor Services 418 649-7711, Ext. o or 1 888 679-4000 services@convention.qc.ca https://www.convention.qc.ca/en/exhibitors/order-forms/

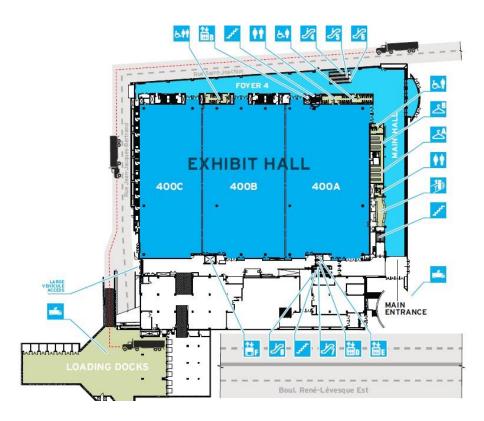
# SHOW DECORATION

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# **EXHIBITION HALL SHOW HOURS**

	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY		
Dock availability	12:00PM-8:30PM	7:30AM-9:00AM	9:30AM to 10:00AM		
			5:00PM to 10:00PM		
Setup	12:00PM to 9:00PM	7:30AM to 9:00AM	-		
Restock AM	-	-	9:30AM to 10:30AM		
Show hours	-	9:00AM to 7:00PM	10:30AM to 5:00PM		
Restock PM	=	7:00PM to 7:30PM	=		
Teardown	=	=	5:00PM to 10:00PM		

# **VENUE INFORMATION**



LOADING DOCKS (level 4) 855 Jean-Jacques Bertrand Street Québec, QC G1R 5V3

Trucks and semi-trailers cannot exceed 53 feet (16.15 m) in length and 13 feet, 6 inches (4.11 m) in height. Please have all material delivered or picked up exclusively at the loading dock. Do not use

Centre entrances. Parking in the loading dock area is not tolerated during the unloading and loading process. Parked vehicles could be towed away at the owner's expense.

# **BOOTH DETAILS**

#### ARTIST SPACE

Each artist booth is a 6' by 6' space and comes with:

- One (1) 6' table that is 30" high by either 24" wide or 30" wide
- Two (2) chairs
- Two (2) exhibitor badges

#### **EXHIBITOR SPACE**

Each exhibitor booth is an 8' by 8' space and comes with:

- One (1) 8' table that is 30" high by either 24" wide or 30" wide
- Two (2) chairs
- Two (2) exhibitor badges

#### CORPORATE/PARTNER/SPONSOR SPACE

Each space will have a contract with specific details. For more information, questions, or concerns, please contact (*tbd*)

To obtain items that are not included with the space, please refer to our supplier's section for more information.

# **MOVE-IN PROCEDURE**

#### MOVE-IN HOURS

FRIDAY	12:00PM to 9:00PM				
SATURDAY	7:30AM to 9:00AM				

#### **DELIVERIES AND SHIPMENTS**

All pallets, crates and loose boxes must be properly labeled with the exhibitor's name, booth number, contact person's name, and name of the event (see example of shipment label, Appendix A). All shipments must be made during the hours and days that setup is scheduled and a representative from the booth must be present to receive the shipment. We do not accept shipments for exhibitors.

If a representative is not present at the time of delivery or the delivery arrives before or after our posted setup hours, or the shipment is improperly labeled, the shipment will be turned away.

The Québec City Convention Centre will accept material deliveries from Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 during business hours. A preshow storage fee may apply for exhibit material delivered before the agreed date. Please have all material delivered or picked up exclusively at the loading dock. Do not use front entrances of the Centre des congrès.

Exhibitors must ensure that their pallets are properly wrapped and stacked. If an improperly wrapped pallet is shipped and the pallet falls apart, crushes/damages merchandise and/or injures any persons, the owner of the pallet will be fully responsible for the losses and damages. Additionally, if a pallet falls apart and the exhibitor is not in the building at the time of the incident, the exhibitor will be fully responsible for the cost of restacking and moving the pallet.

#### CUSTOMS BROKERAGE AND CARRIER

If an exhibitor needs to import merchandise from outside Canada, ConsultExpo offers both transportation and customs services:

Jeff Labbé

Tel: 514-482-8886 ext. 7 Fax: 888-629-9008 Cell: 514-709-0739

Email: jeffl@consultexpoinc.com

Website: <a href="https://www.consultexpoinc.com/forms/">www.consultexpoinc.com/forms/</a>

Exhibitors who use courier services (e.g., FedEx, UPS, Purolator) must pay all customs fees and taxes in advance. The Québec City Convention Centre does not accept COD shipments. Courier services occasionally fail to specify that an item is being sent COD, in which case the Convention Centre may be billed some 30 to 90 days after the event has ended. If that happens, the exhibitor will be reinvoiced by the Centre with additional administration fees.

#### BADGE PICK-UP & CHECK-IN

Badge pick-up will be open from 12:00PM to 9:00PM on Friday and from 7:30AM to 9:00aM on Saturday at the exhibitor services desk situated next to the loading docks.

Exhibitors are required to pick up their badges before the opening of the hall to the public.

If an exhibitor requires additional badges, they may also be purchased at the check-in desk. If a person loses their badges during the convention, they can inquire at the exhibitor services office about purchasing a replacement.

Please note that the badges cannot and will not be personalized.

Please note that neither Quebec City Comiccon nor the Centre des congrès de Québec is responsible for getting exhibitor employees and/or exterior staff/personnel into the event. We will also **not** hold badges for exhibitor staff at special badge pickup anymore. Exhibitors are responsible for making

sure they have adequate staffing at their booth, getting them in and out of the event and making sure they have their always badges on their person.

#### ENJOY YOUR BADGE PROGRAM



Exclusive offers for all delegates and exhibitors! Show your badge for enticing savings at some of the most popular restaurants and attractions in the Québec City area. With the Québec City Convention Centre's <u>Enjoy Your Badge</u> program, visitors get exclusive offers and savings from a vast array of our business partners.

Explore all our special offers!

#### DOLLIES, HAND CARTS & PALLET JACKS

Exhibitors are encouraged to bring their own equipment. Please note that this type of equipment must only be used in the exhibition hall and in the loading dock area. There are dollies available in the convention centre, but they are in limited number, and we will function on a "first come, first serve" basis.

For security and exclusivity reasons and to protect the special flooring in the exhibition hall, exhibitors are not allowed to use their own pallet-jacks or forklift truck in the loading dock area and the exhibition hall. Exhibitors can use the 4-wheel dollies given by the convention centre free of charge or bring their own 2wheel/4-wheel dollies. Otherwise, exhibitors must have their pallets or crates moved by the convention centre forklift truck operators at their own expense.

#### VEHICLES INSIDE THE CONVENTION CENTRE

Any vehicle or equipment inside the convention centre that has an internal combustion engine cannot have more than a quarter (1/4) a tank of fuel. The batteries and ignition systems must be disconnected at all times and all ignition keys provided to security services.

The gas caps on all vehicles and equipment must be secured with a lock. If they cannot be locked, they must be taped firmly shut in such a manner that prevents easy access to the gas tank. Waterproof protective sheeting must be placed under vehicles and protective plates placed under the tires.

A set-up time must be scheduled with exhibitor services prior to the event to facilitate the vehicles settling into the hall. During set-up and tear-down, car owners must wait for the car to be escorted by the exhibition hall team from the dock to their space and then to the exit. Due to the volume of traffic in the hall and on the docks, vehicles should not expect to leave before 8:00 p.m. on Sunday.

#### CHILDREN INSIDE THE EXHIBITION HALL DURING EXHIBITOR HOURS

Due to Quebec CNESST regulations, children under the age of <u>16</u> are not allowed in the exhibition hall during set-up and tear-down hours.

Children affiliated with an exhibitor can be in the exhibition hall once the hall is open if they are under the direct care and supervision of the exhibitor at all times.

If an exhibitor comes to the venue during set-up and tear-down hours with a child, they will be not allowed to setup at that time.

#### MATERIAL HANDLING AND MANDATORY STORAGE

Exhibitors who ship material to the Québec City Convention Centre agree that their material be handled by Convention Centre staff without further notice and that a **handling fee will be charged, and payable onsite.** 

A material handling fee applies for moving empty containers from booth to the storage area and for their return at the end of the exhibition, even for exhibitors who deliver and pick up their own material.

Storage of empty containers during the event is mandatory. All exhibitors are required to fill out a <u>Handling and Storage Order Form</u>, available on the Convention Centre website or at the mobile service booth during the move-in period.

The service includes free labels for identifying empty containers and available at the mobile service booth. Please write the booth number in large print.

For safety reasons, exhibitors may not store their empty containers themselves. Municipal fire safety regulations also prohibit storage of empty cardboard boxes or packing crates in or behind booths.

Exhibitors who prefer not to pay for the storage of their empty containers at the Convention Centre are responsible for removing and storing them off site and bringing them back during teardown. The Québec City Convention Centre has exclusive handling rights at all loading docks and in all exhibit halls. Forklifts and electric or manual pallet trucks cannot be brought in from outside the Convention Centre. For all onsite handling enquiries, see the dock master or contact the Exhibitor Services Manager.

#### PARKING

The Convention Centre is located near several underground parkades: Place Québec (off Saint-Joachim street), Complex Marie-Guyart, Place Haute-Ville under the Delta Hotel, and Stationnement D'Youville (off Place D'Youville). All parking areas are connected to the Convention Centre by indoor walkways and are open 24 hours, 7 days a week.

During week days (office hours) due to traffic and possible road work, we strongly recommend the use of sustainable transportation such as carpooling, public transit or Parc-O-Bus (park & ride) to reach the Convention Centre. For more information, see the Convention Centre website.

No parking is allowed at any time on Promenade Desjardins, which is a private driveway shared by the Convention Centre and the Hilton Québec hotel.

# **BOOTH REGULATIONS**

#### **GENERAL**

During the event, all tables and aisles are to remain clear of boxes, debris, and displays.

All exhibitors must be careful not to damage the show floor with tables or displays; Nothing is to be taped to the walls of the convention center.

Only the following adhesive tapes are permitted to be used in the Convention Centre and can be purchased on site:

For walls: 3M no. 7225 Wall-Mounting Tabs

For floors: Echo Tape CL-W6033, VI-N6120, or equivalent

Echo Tape DC-W188F Double-Sided Tape

For brick walls: 3M no. 7225 Wall-Mounting Tabs

It is up to exhibitors to maintain the safety (must make sure that any rigging and/or signage will not fall at anything time) and cleanliness of their booth. The exhibition hall staff can ask for the booth rigging to be made stronger if they feel the booth is unsafe. Unsafe rigging and/or signage will be removed.

Strongly scented Items are prohibited, whether in sale or on displays, including bath salts, potpourri, incense, candles, air fresheners, etc. Scented items must be wrapped.

Exhibitors are required to conform to the Convention Centre's fire safety regulations. Please consult the <u>Security Measures and Fire Prevention</u> available on the Convention Centre website.

#### **HEIGHT & SIGNAGE**

All banners & signage within a booth must be single sided. Exceptions can be made if the signage is hung from the ceiling. Only exhibitors with booths larger than 16'x16' can hang signs from the ceiling and only if it doesn't affect sight lines. exhibitors must contact exhibitor services if they would like to hang signage from the ceiling. Requests must be made a minimum of 2 weeks before the event.

Booths' height must not exceed the 8' pole and drape. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis, and in the sponsor/corporate area. This is to allow for all exhibitors to have an equal chance of having their booth seen by attendees. Any exhibitor who does not comply with the height rules will be asked to take down the segments that exceed the 8' pole and drape.

#### **ALLOCATED SPACE**

Exhibitors can use the space as they wish but cannot go outside of the limits of the space they are assigned. The spaces are marked on the floor with the delimitation of each individual space. All aspects of the display, tables included, must be within the space allotted.

Exhibitors who are found to be encroaching on the booth spaces of a neighbor or an aisle, will be directed by a Comiccon staff member to move their display so it respects the space limits of their booth.

#### **BOOTLEGGING & PLAGIARISM**

Quebec City Comiccon and Major Comics do not condone the sale of unauthorized or bootlegged materials. The sale and or display of licensed materials should only be allowed if merchandise is approved by license holder and doesn't infringe on copyrights and licencing laws. Violation will result in removal from the event without refund and possible ban from future events. Any exhibitor caught selling such items may be subject to prosecution.

Please note the sale of AI produced art is strictly prohibited.

#### FIRE REGULATION

Booths must meet City of Quebec City fire code and are subject to inspection by the City of Quebec City fire marshal. No portion of a booth and/or display can block or cover aisles, doorways, fire extinguishers, fire hose cabinets, fire exits, fire alarms, or related items.

For fire safety, it is prohibited to use fire/flame/heat sources in the exhibition hall. This includes but is not limited to candles, tea lights, flame throwers, space heaters, torches, lighters, rockets, fireworks, sparklers, Tiki torches, flint & steel, etc.

#### **SMOKING AND CANNABIS**

All smoking and the use of E-cigarettes are prohibited within the Centre des congrès de Québec. It is also forbidden to consume Cannabis.

Exhibitors desiring to smoke must go outside the building.

#### MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

Exhibitors are required to report all accidents and injuries to exhibitor services as soon as possible.

If medical services are required and it is not possible to go to the exhibitor services office, exhibitors will need to find a Comiccon staff member to call for assistance. Exhibitor services will dispatch the Quebec City Comiccon medical team to the location of the emergency. This medical team is equipped to manage all types of medical emergencies.

The Quebec City Comiccon medical team will assess the situation and call 911, if required. Exhibitors should NOT call 9-1-1 on their own due to building requirements when emergency services are dispatched.

#### CLEANLINESS

Exhibitors are required to maintain the cleanliness of their booth AT ALL TIMES during the show and during tear-down.

The exhibition hall aisles will be cleaned every night after the hall has closed for the evening. Any unidentified empty boxes that are left in the aisles (even during setup) will be cleaned up and discarded. A booth cleaning service is available through the Centre des congrès de Québec.

Exhibitors are responsible for any damage done to the property of the Centre des congrès and/or Quebec City Comiccon property and will be billed for the cost of repair and/or replacement.

#### ADULT (18+) MERCHANDISE

Exhibitors CANNOT distribute or sell any adult material to anyone under the age of 18. Any "adult only" material should be behind the counter and any nudity and/or sexual content must not be displayed openly.

#### **DRONES**

The operations of drones at the Quebec City Comiccon are strictly forbidden. Exhibitors caught flying a drone during the event will be asked to put the drone away. If the exhibitor persists, the drone will be removed from the event and may result in the exhibitor also being removed. If exhibitors sell drones, attendees must be informed not to fly them within the event premises. Any

#### PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

The distribution of flyers, cards, pamphlets, or any other promotional material is only permitted within an exhibitor's booth space. Such material cannot be distributed anywhere else on the premises of the convention without the prior authorization of Quebec City Comiccon.

If you would like to promote exclusives at our event, please contact Oscar Yazedjian at <a href="mailto:ovaz@comicconquebec.com">ovaz@comicconquebec.com</a>.

attendees found flying a drone during the event will have them confiscated.

#### **MEDIA RELATIONS**

Exhibitors must ensure that all media interactions during Quebec City Comiccon, including all forms of interviews and interactions, go through the Quebec City Comiccon media department. To contact the media department, please contact Leeja Murphy at <a href="mailto:leeja@agencepink.com">leeja@agencepink.com</a>.

#### **WEAPONS POLICY**

If an exhibitor intends to display and sell weapons, armor, or props at the convention, they must receive approval from exhibitor services. There are policies and procedures that provide direction and guidance on which items are permitted to be displayed and/or sold, the procedures for selling these items, weapons sales conditions and restrictions.

Exhibitors must sign an agreement and respect all convention policies, guidelines, and all Canadian laws **prior** to the event.

Any exhibitor selling weapons without a signed agreement, or a sign not clearly posted will be asked to remove the merchandise from their booth and further non-compliance will result in the expulsion of the exhibitor and/or booth from the event.

#### **FOOD SERVICES**

The sale, distribution and personal consumption of all food and beverage items and related service in the Centre des congrès are **exclusive** to Capital HRS Traiteur.

Any exhibitor promoting, distributing, or selling food or beverage is forbidden by the exclusivity agreement between the caterer and the convention centre. Authorization from the caterer is needed **prior** to the event:

Audrey Théberge Capital HRS Traiteur atheberge@convention.gc.ca

Please send approvals to <a href="mailto:expo@comicconquebec.com">expo@comicconquebec.com</a>.

Any exhibitor found to be selling food and beverages without the approval of the venue and the sign will be asked to remove the merchandise from their booth and further non-compliance will result in the expulsion of the exhibitor and/or booth from the event.

## SFRVICE PROVIDERS

TEMPORARY ELECTRICAL POWER, BANNER HANGING, PLUMBING, BOOTH CLEANING, MATERIAL HANDLING, SECURITY SERVICES, INTERNET, AND PHONE SERVICES

These services are provided directly by the Centre des congrès. You can purchase services by visiting their website:

https://www.convention.gc.ca/en/exhibitors/order-forms/

Take advantage of early booking price by ordering online before September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Questions regarding these services and the online portal should be directed to:

Exhibitor Services 418 649-7711, Ext. 4066 or 1 888 679-4000 services@convention.qc.ca

INTERNET, AUDIO/VISUAL, IT EQUIPMENT & SERVICES

If you need audiovisual equipment, please contact:

\*Please note there is free wireless internet services available throughout the Centre des congrès de Québec.

#### FURNITURE AND SHOW DECORATION

If you require additional tables, chairs, carpeting, or other types of furniture which are not provided by the convention, please contact:

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# **EARLY REGISTRATION FOR 2023**

Exhibitor services will be accepting early registration for the 2024 Quebec City Comiccon starting Saturday, October 7 at 9:00AM until Sunday, October 8 at 8:00PM. Registration forms will be in the envelope exhibitors and artists receive with their exhibitor badges. We will accept forms on a 'first come, first served' basis for spaces. Booth spaces and corners are subject to availability and run out very quickly. It is recommended to register early and not wait until after the event to apply for next year.

A deposit of \$200 per booth will be required for your registration.

# **MOVE-OUT PROCEDURE**

The tear-down of booths in the exhibition hall cannot start before 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

If an emergency arises that requires an exhibitor to tear down their booth before the scheduled teardown time, they must seek approval from the exhibition hall director and, if approved, special instructions.

If exhibitors decide to keep extra merchandise or boxes in their vehicles, they must report to exhibitor services to schedule dock time.

Exhibitors handling their own teardown and using their own vehicles should:

- 1. Wait for Centre staff to bring their empty containers to the booth. This will begin after the exhibition service contractor removes the aisle carpeting.
- 2. Pack their material.
- 3. Move all their material in one load to the loading dock using a four-wheel dolly or request assistance from a Convention Centre handler or forklift operator to proceed with the move-out.
- 4. Notify the dock master that all their material is at the dock and ready for loading. The dock master will provide them with a ticket.
- 5. Leave their material at the dock while they get their vehicle.
- 6. Line up at the entrance to the loading dock and give their ticket to the dock traffic attendant, who will assign them to a loading door as soon as one becomes available.
- 7. Park their vehicle in position and load their material as quickly as possible.

#### Return Shipping

Material will not be returned automatically. The process definitely benefits from some advance planning.

Exhibitors who choose not to use the official carrier to return their material have the following responsibilities:

- 1. Call their carrier in advance to have their material picked up on move-out day, **before the** move-out deadline.
- 2. Attach a copy of their electronic bill of lading on all packages or complete a regular bill of lading by hand in three copies, making sure to include their account number. Note: The Convention Centre does not provide bills of lading for any carrier. See the official carrier and customs broker onsite if necessary.
- 3. Number all packages (e.g., 1 of 2, 2 of 2) and specify their shipping address, their cell phone number, and their booth number.
- 4. Notify the dock master when the shipment is ready to be picked up by their carrier. Provide the dock master with a copy of their duly completed bill of lading.
- 5. Please note:
- 6. Convention Centre staff are not authorized to call carriers on exhibitors' behalf.
- 7. Shipments leaving Canada require a commercial invoice in three copies, produced by the exhibitor and attached to the bill of lading. Carriers will not pick up packages without these completed forms.

# **APPENDIX A**

### Sample Label

Sender's name Address

Telephone #
Fax #
Number of boxes
Carrier
Customs broker's name and
Telephone #

:XHIBITOK:					

C/O Québec City Comiccon Booth(s) number: \_\_\_\_\_

Quebec City Convention Centre Loading Dock (Level 4) 855 Rue Jean-Jacques Bertrand Québec City, QC G1R 5V3