



# House Regulations of Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH (LMS)

## 1 Scope of application

These House Rules shall apply to the entire grounds of Landesmesse Stuttgart GmbH (hereinafter called "LMS"), especially outdoor areas, the trade fair centre piazza, the exhibition halls, the ICS International Congress Center Stuttgart and the trade fair centre administrative building (hereinafter called "trade fair centre").

## 2 House rules and entering the trade fair centre

2.1 The trade fair centre is not a public area and shall be subject to the House Rules of LMS.

2.2 The trade fair centre may only be entered by visitors for events if they hold a valid admission ticket (hereinafter called "visitors") and by persons authorised by LMS or the respective organiser if they hold a valid authorisation permit (hereinafter called "other persons"). At the request of LMS, visitors shall show their admission ticket and other persons their authorisation permit at all times. Sentences 1 and 2 shall not apply to the trade fair centre piazza.

2.3 Visitors may only be present at the trade fair centre during the opening hours of the particular event.

In particular, visitors shall leave the trade fair centre at the end of the opening hours. Sentences 1 and 2 shall not apply to the trade fair centre piazza.

2.4 Children and adolescents up to the age of 14 may only enter the trade fair centre accompanied by a legal guardian or a suitable supervisor. Sentence 1 shall not apply to the trade fair centre piazza.

2.5 If seats have been assigned for an event, visitors shall occupy the place shown on the particular admission ticket using the entrance designated for this purpose.

2.6 LMS may refuse to allow persons to enter the trade fair centre or certain areas of the trade fair centre due to safety reasons. Accordingly, LMS may order the evacuation of the trade fair centre.

2.7 LMS may refuse to allow persons to enter the trade fair centre if they have consumed drugs or an excessive amount of alcohol. LMS may therefore eject these persons from the trade fair centre.

2.8 LMS shall be entitled to eject persons from the trade fair centre if they contravene these House Regulations.

2.9 LMS shall be entitled to impose an exclusion order on persons contravening these House Regulations. This exclusion order may be temporary or unlimited in time. LMS shall take a decision to lift the exclusion order based on a written application, which shall contain reasons, within a period of three months.

## 3 General rules of conduct

3.1 Visitors shall take good and proper care of the facilities at the trade fair centre.

3.2 Any contamination and dirtying of the trade fair centre shall be prohibited.

3.3 Everyone shall behave at the trade fair centre in such a way that nobody else is harmed, endangered or more than unavoidably harassed.

3.4 We wish to point out that, during events over a longer period of time, sound levels may occur that could possibly cause permanent hearing damage. In order to prevent any risk of hearing damage, it is recommended that hearing protectors be worn if necessary.

## 4 Vehicular traffic

4.1 The provisions of the German Road Traffic Regulations (StVO) shall apply at the trade fair centre. The signposts for regulating vehicular and pedestrian traffic shall be observed.

4.2 The maximum speed for vehicles at the trade fair centre shall be 30 kph. The maximum speed inside the exhibition halls, in the loading yards, in the underpasses (crossings) and along the L Bank Forum (Hall 1) shall be 6 kph.

4.3 Only visitors and other authorised persons holding a valid entry permit issued by LMS may enter the trade fair centre in a vehicle. The written entry permit shall be clearly affixed to the vehicle, if necessary behind the windscreen.

4.4 LMS may tow away vehicles to which no written entry permit is affixed. The costs of this action shall be invoiced.

4.5 The instructions of LMS and the particular organiser regarding the regulation of traffic, especially stopping and parking, shall be observed.

## 5 Prohibitions

5.1 Smoking (in any form, including e-cigarettes for example) shall be prohibited at the trade fair centre. Smoking shall be permitted within specially designated smoking areas.

5.2 The use of drugs and excessive consumption of alcohol at the trade fair centre shall be prohibited.

5.3 It shall be prohibited to burn fireworks and handle fire and naked light at the trade fair centre without the prior written permission of LMS.

5.4 It shall be prohibited to stay overnight at the trade fair centre without the prior written permission of LMS.

5.5 Begging shall not be permitted at the trade fair centre.

5.6 It shall be prohibited to carry out any commercial activity, especially peddling of goods, at the trade fair centre without the prior written permission of LMS.

5.7 It shall be prohibited to distribute printed matter and advertising material, affix stickers and posters, and use advertising media at the trade fair centre without the prior written permission of LMS. Special regulations shall apply to exhibitors on their stands.

5.8 It shall not be permitted to take photographs and make films, videos, sound recordings and drawings, especially of exhibition stands and exhibits, at the trade fair centre for commercial purposes without the prior written permission of LMS.



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**5.9** The use of roller skates, inline skates ("roller blades"), skateboards, kickboards, kick scooters, electric scooters, bicycles, mobile tables and similar driving aids or vehicles at the trade fair centre shall not be permitted without the prior written permission of LMS.

The use of segways inside the exhibition halls shall not be permitted during visitor opening hours. If disabled persons are able to safely use this means of transportation, they may be issued with a special permit (by the security staff at the entrance) in an individual case on production of a disability card. The provisions of 4.2 shall also apply analogously.

**5.10** It shall not be permitted to bring animals into the trade fair centre without the prior specific permission of LMS, unless a general special regulation applies to animal-related events. Sentence 1 shall not apply to guide dogs for the blind, which are required for medical purposes. At the request of LMS, blind persons with a guide dog shall prove the medical need for the animal according to Sentence 2 by producing a disability card. It shall generally not be permitted to bring dangerous animals into the trade fair centre. The person with an animal shall ensure that the animal does not create any disadvantages or risks for third parties and that it does not run around freely. The person with an animal shall be obliged to immediately dispose of any mess caused by the animal.

**5.11** The following items shall be prohibited at the trade fair centre without the prior written permission of LMS:

- Knives, guns, other weapons and items resembling weapons,
- Materials which are harmful to health, are poisonous or corrosive, have a strong colouring effect, are highly flammable and are radioactive,
- Gas bottles, gas spray bottles and pressure containers, except commercially available pocket cigarette lighters,
- Fireworks, pyrotechnical materials and explosives,
- Very fragile or splintering items,
- Drugs coming under the Narcotics Act,
- Food and drinks (this provision does not apply to employees, service partners or LMS exhibitors),
- Roller skates, inline skates ("roller blades"), skateboards, kickboards, kick scooters, electric scooters, bicycles, mobile tables and similar driving aids or vehicles, except wheelchairs and rollators if their use is necessary due to medical reasons,
- Flags, banners, banner poles and extremist, especially racist and xenophobic propaganda material,
- Musical instruments and mechanically or electrically operated sound instruments, as well as
- equipment for producing photographs, films, videos or sound recordings if they are used for commercial purposes.

LMS may search persons, bags, other containers and vehicles for the above-mentioned items.

**5.12** LMS may impose a ban on carrying bags or other containers at the trade fair centre or in certain areas of the trade fair centre.

## **6 Right to personal image**

We wish to point out that LMS or third parties are entitled to take photographs and produce films or videos for the purposes of reporting, advertising and documentation. Visitors and other persons may not hamper, impede or interfere with these photographs and recordings. Entering the trade fair centre shall imply that visitors and other persons accept these photographs and recordings, as well as their publication.

## **7 Video surveillance**

We wish to point out that the trade fair centre is under video surveillance to ensure the safety of visitors and exhibitors.

## **8 Liability restriction**

The liability of LMS towards visitors and other persons shall be restricted as follows: in principle, the liability of LMS and its legal representatives and agents shall be excluded. However, this liability shall apply in the following cases:

- 8.1** Intentional action by LMS or its legal representatives or agents,
- 8.2** Grossly negligent action by LMS or its legal representatives or agents,
- 8.3** Cases involving loss of life, physical injury or damage to health, which is due to a negligent infringement of an obligation by LMS or its legal representatives or agents, and
- 8.4** Culpable infringement of a material contractual obligation (cardinal obligation) by LMS, its legal representatives or agents.

## **9 Final provisions**

Any invalidity of one of the clauses of these House Regulations shall not affect the validity of the other clauses.

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