

Exhibitor Service Manual



Show Dates: October 10-13, 2025

Material Handling Information

Special Handling

Surcharge: 25%

The standard material handling applies to shipments that can be readily handled off or onto a truck using a conventional forklift or pallet jack equipment without rehandling. A special handling charge applies if your shipment requires extra labor for stacking or unstacking containers on a truck (cubic loading), tarping or untarping freight or containers or rigging pieces for loading or unloading on a truck or from the ground, or other circumstances requiring the rehandling of materials.

Late Shipments

Surcharge: 25%

A surcharge will apply to shipments not arriving within the published dates (refer to pages 4-5) for advance warehouse or arriving on show site after show opening.

Uncrated Shipments

Rate as shown on Material Handling Authorization Form

An additional charge of 50% (or as stated on Material Handling Authorization page) of the applicable material handling charge at the time of delivery shall be charged for all loose, uncrated or unprotected shipments received at the show site docks. The charge is a one-time charge that includes both move-in and move-out of the show and is based on the weight of the shipment handled.

Off Target Deliveries

Surcharge: See below

For targeted shows (exhibitors who received/requested a Targeted Date/Time), a surcharge will apply if shipment is not delivered (or carrier has not checked in) during assigned target date/time. **Surcharge: 25%**

Shipments arriving at the warehouse during Expo show move-in days and/or Exhibitor Move-in Days will be charged a Delivery Fee. This fee will be based on the shipment received and the Delivery Location. The minimum charge will be \$250.00. Please see the Expo Quick Facts for Delivery Days, Times and Location. Based on weight of materials and location. Any shipments arriving to the advanced warehouse or direct to show site prior to receiving dates listed on Expo Quick Facts will incur an Off Target Fee. Surcharge: 25%

Padded Van Deliveries

Surcharge: \$9.00/CWT

A padded van surcharge applies to van line carriers that transport freight at cubic displacement rates, operate a non-standard dock height equipment, require freight on the truck to be unloaded in a specific order or orientation, or require that freight on the truck be moved to unload the actual delivery.

Marshaling Yard

Surcharge: Maximum \$22.50

Where EXPO CCI, as the show contractor must lease space for marshaling yard operations because no space is provided by the facility, EXPO CCI may charge a fee per shipment processed through the marshaling yard.

Reweigh of Shipments

Surcharge: \$28.00 per forklift load

An additional charge per forklift load will be applied to shipments that have to be reweighed at the dock due to the lack of a certified weight ticket, or an incorrect or understated weight on a delivery document.

Envelope Deliveries

Surcharge: See Material Handling Authorization Form for Small Package Fee

During show hours at the show facility, a charge will apply for receiving and delivering envelope packages to your booth.

Accessible Storage

Surcharge: See below for Per Skid Rate. See Labor Form for applicable Labor Rate

Accessible storage will be accessible during the show, but not necessarily by Exhibitors. Accessible Storage will be charged per piece at \$135. There is a one hour labor rate charge for each time the accessible storage is accessed. There will be no charge to return material to the booth at the close of the show.

Return to Warehouse

Surcharge: \$15.00 per CWT, Minimum \$ 50.00

Crated materials only, uncrated materials will not be accepted at warehouse. Return to warehouse will be charged after Material Handling.

Vehicle Spotting Fee

Surcharge: Rate as Shown on Vehicle Spotting Fee Form

Vehicles operated by exhibitors may be allowed on the exhibit hall floor for loading or unloading, if EXPO CCI determines such activity to be operationally feasible and safe. All vehicles operated on the exhibit hall floor must be escorted by EXPO CCI personnel. In such cases, a MOBILE SPOTTING FEE will be charged. All local fire marshal rules and regulations apply. Please call customer service for details.

Booth Disposal Fee

Surcharge: \$10.00 per Sq. Ft or a minimum labor charge of \$1,000.00

All exhibitors and EAC (exhibitor appointed contractor) are responsible for removing all crates, cartons, and materials from the event site upon show conclusion. Failure to do so can result in a disposal fee of \$10.00 per Sq. Ft or a minimum labor charge of \$1,000.00, whichever is greater.*

This fee is design to cover the costs associated with the removal and disposal of any items left behind, ensuring a smooth transition for our event space.

If you have any questions about material handling, please contact EXPO CCI's Customer Service department.

NEED ANYTHING?

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Material Handling Q & A

Questions and Answers

What is material handling (also referred to as drayage)?

Material handling is the process of unloading your freight from your shipping carrier, either at the warehouse or show site, delivering it to your booth, storing your empty containers (empties) if required, returning of your empties at the close of show, and then reloading your freight back onto your shipping carrier.

What is the definition of "freight"?

Any exhibit materials that are shipped or delivered to the advance warehouse or show facility via shipping carrier, POV, or delivery truck.

What is a "certified weight ticket"?

A printed weight ticket from a scale certified or inspected by a government authority such as the Dept. of Agriculture, indicating the date weighed, the weight of the shipment and the vehicle ID of the unit being weighed.

Important Facts About Advance Shipments

All shipments that are addressed to the advance warehouse address (please refer to "Advance Warehouse" shipping labels included in this manual).

EXPO CCI will begin accepting your shipments 30 days prior to first show open day (dates may vary depending on show schedule, please see show information details for receiving dates).

The warehouse will receive shipments Monday-Friday, 8:30am-3:30pm, excluding holidays.

Shipments must arrive by advance warehouse deadline date to avoid a late surcharge. [Please refer to the "Show Information" page included with this manual for deadline date.]

Crates, cartons, skids, fibercases and carpets can be accepted at the warehouse, but DO NOT ship crates weighing over 5,000 lbs., loose/uncrated shipments and/or machinery to warehouse. You must ship those items direct to show site.

All shipments must have a bill of lading or delivery slip indicating number of pieces and weight. Certified weight tickets required.

All shipments must be prepaid, no collect on delivery shipments will be accepted.

Material Handling Charges

What determines how much I am charged?

Charges are based off the weight from your inbound weight ticket included with your shipment.

How do I calculate material handling charges?

Material handling services, whether used completely, or in part, are offered as a package. For example: 185 lbs. = 185 lbs X RATE = \$ Amount or minimum charge, whichever is greater.

Will there be any additional charges?

Additional charges may apply. Please review the Material Handling Authorization and Material Handling Information forms included in the manual for all applicable fees.

What is considered a small package?

Shipments that arrive via small package carrier such as FedEx Express Service, UPS small package service or DHL small package service AND do not have a certified weight ticket included with shipment. This will typically refer to any small packages weighing under 50 lbs. Please refer to the Material Handling Authorization for the weight range of a small package

How do I calculate my small package shipment?

Charges for specialized carrier shipments are based on per carton, per delivery. Example: I'm shipping 3 packages via FedEx, how much will I be charged? 3 x small package fee = \$ amount charged.

Please be advised that your whole shipment may not arrive to its destination at one time. Therefore, you will be charged per each delivery.

Weights from multiple shipments delivered on the same day from the same carrier will be combined. In these cases, standard material handling rates may apply, based on total weight.

What is the difference between material handling and shipping?

Shipping is the process of carrying your shipment from your location or pick-up area to its destination and also the process of returning your shipment back to your location after the close of the show. Material handling begins at the time your shipment arrives to the docks (please refer to 'What is material handling?" for the full definition.)

Do I need to order a forklift to unload or reload my freight?

No, please do not order a forklift for unloading/reloading of your materials.

Crated - Uncrated - Special Handling

What are CRATED materials?

Materials delivered that are skidded or in a container that can easily be unloaded/reloaded with no special handling required.

What are UNCRATED materials?

Materials delivered that are loose, pad-wrapped or unskidded without proper lifting bars and/or hooks.

What is SPECIAL HANDLING?

Shipments delivered that require extra labor for stacking or unstacking containers on a truck (cubic loading), tarping or untarping freight or containers, or rigging pieces for loading or unloading on a truck or from the ground, or other circumstances requiring the rehandling of materials.

Important facts about direct shipments

What are direct shipments?

All shipments that are addressed directly to the exhibit facility (please refer to "Direct to Show" shipping labels included in this manual).

Shipments must arrive during exhibitor move-in times only. Do not ship direct to show site in advance. If delivery cannot be guaranteed to arrive during exhibitor move-in, shipment must go to advance warehouse.

All shipments must have a bill of lading or delivery slip indicating number of pieces and weight. Certified weight tickets required. Crates weighing over 5,000 lbs. or loose/uncrated shipments must be shipped direct to show site to arrive during exhibitor move-in times. All shipments must be prepaid, no collect on delivery shipments will be accepted.

Liability Insurance

What is and why would I need liability insurance?

Accidents happen, therefore, most show organizers and facilities require liability insurance. Please refer to your booth contract for exact minimums required. Please make sure your materials are covered from the moment they leave your company location to the time they return after the close of the show.

Outbound shipments

You must complete an EXPO Material Handling Agreement (MHA) for all outbound shipments. A MHA will be distributed at show site if all services have been paid in full, or you can request one at the customer service desk. Upon completion of packing and labeling of your materials, complete the bill of lading with all required information, and return to customer service. If you have questions on how to complete your bill of lading, please ask a EXPO customer service representative located at the customer service desk. If you are NOT using the designated shipping carrier, you must call your carrier with pick-up information. If your carrier fails to pick up your shipment, EXPO will either reroute your freight through the carrier of our choice or return to the local warehouse (whichever is indicated on your MHA).

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