

## General conditions for tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors to the halls and premises of MCH Swiss Exhibition (Basel) Ltd.

### Introduction

These General Regulations lay down the basic rules to be observed in the halls and on the premises of MCH Swiss Exhibition (Basel) Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as MCH). They apply to all persons who are inside the MCH halls and on the MCH premises in the course of MCH exhibitions or third-party events.

### 1 Opening hours and right of access

#### 1.1 Opening hours

For MCH exhibitions, exhibitors, stand constructors and suppliers will receive notification of the opening hours of halls in good time. For third-party exhibitions, the organiser must notify the exhibitors, stand constructors and suppliers of the hall opening hours at an early stage. The halls are not heated prior to the official start of stand construction or once the official stand dismantling period has ended. For reasons of general safety at the exhibition site, the halls and the exhibition site remain closed altogether outside these periods.

#### 1.2 Right of access

For MCH exhibitions, access to the MCH halls and premises is limited to persons holding a valid ID card (exhibitor's pass or staff ID card) or a valid admission ticket. For third-party events, access rights will be defined in cooperation with the organiser in question. MCH may issue special regulations governing the right of access to individual events.

#### 1.3 Staff ID cards

Stand constructors, forwarding agents, tradesmen and other suppliers who have to carry out work during an MCH event held in the MCH halls and premises must obtain and pay for appropriate ID cards. These will generally be made out for the duration of the individual event. In exceptional cases, annual ID cards with photos will be issued, which need to be ordered in advance. For some events, staff ID cards are also necessary during the assembly and dismantling phases. The stand constructors, forwarding agents, tradesmen and other suppliers will be notified accordingly. Staff ID cards will only be issued upon presentation of a written work order. For third-party events, ID cards will only be required if the organiser in question specifically requests this.

### 2 Transport of stand construction materials and exhibits to and from the site

#### 2.1 Transport of goods

Goods must be transported via the checkpoint. The MCH access plans and Logistics Regulations apply.

#### 2.2 Containers and swap bodies

Das Abstellen von Containern und Wechselbrücken in den Hallen und auf den Anlieferzonen der MCH ist nicht gestattet. Abstellplätze können durch die MCH vermittelt werden.

#### 2.3 Packaging

Stand construction materials and exhibits must be suitably packaged for transport (on pallets).

#### 2.4 Postal and courier consignments

Postal and courier consignments must be addressed as follows:

Exhibitor Post Office  
Name of exhibitor  
Name of event  
Hall, stand number  
Bleichestrasse 7  
CH-4058 Basel

Postal consignments will be delivered to the official MCH logistics partner, who will immediately forward them to the exhibitors' stands. Courier consignments are always delivered directly to the exhibitors' stands by the courier. MCH does not accept any liability for consignments that are delayed, damaged or lost in the post.

#### 2.5 Freight consignments

Freight consignments sent via a forwarding agent by air, sea, rail or road must be addressed as follows:

Sempex AG  
Name of exhibitor  
Name of event  
Hall, stand number  
On-site contact  
Isteinerstrasse 76  
CH-4058 Basel

The forwarding agent is liable for freight consignments up to the time of their delivery to the halls or to the stand.

### 2.6 Empties

It is not permitted to store empties or packaging material outside the stand. Any empties must be handed over without delay to the official MCH logistics partner for removal from the site and storage. MCH reserves the right to remove and put into storage at the exhibitor's expense any empties that are improperly deposited if the exhibitor does not respond to a request to remove them. MCH does not assume any liability for damage to full containers that have been declared as empties.

### 2.7 Hall lifts

Hall lifts cannot be reserved for specific times. The dimensions and carrying capacity of the individual lifts are shown on the hall layout plans and are posted inside the lifts.

### 2.8 Cranes, fork-lift trucks and lifting platforms

Exhibitors may not use their own cranes, fork-lift trucks or lifting platforms on the exhibition site for safety reasons. Only appliances belonging to MCH or its official logistics partners may be operated. Fork-lift truck and crane assignments on the exhibition site are to be ordered exclusively via MCH and will be carried out by the official logistics partner of MCH. Electrically operated lifting trucks are permitted solely for use in assembly work on the stand area and may not be used for loading or unloading. In exceptional cases, exhibitors may use their own appliances. These must, however, be subjected to a prior technical inspection (for which a charge is levied) and accepted before they are brought into use.

### 2.9 Transport during the event

The transport of exhibits to and from the MCH halls and premises is not permitted during the opening hours of an MCH event. The delivery of further exhibits to stands must be performed either prior to the opening of the halls and premises for visitors or after the closure of the halls and premises for visitors each day.

## 3 Customs formalities

### 3.1 Customs office

For questions regarding the import and export of goods, information may be obtained from the Messe Basel Customs Office (Tel. +41 58 467 18 26) or the official logistics partner of MCH (helpline@messe.ch/Tel. +41 58 206 34 11).

### 3.2 Goods imported temporarily into Switzerland

For goods that are only imported temporarily into Switzerland, it is necessary to guarantee payment of the Swiss border duties until such time as the goods have left Switzerland again. This is best done by means of the international customs document known as the "Carnet ATA" which can be used to complete the customs formalities not only for Switzerland but also for the country of origin of the goods and for any transit countries. Exhibitors can obtain the "Carnet ATA" from a chamber of commerce in their own country. In addition, Swiss customs clearance can be performed with the form "Customs declaration for temporary admission (ZAVV)".

### 3.3 Goods imported into Switzerland to be sold

Goods that are brought into Switzerland to be sold must be declared and assessed with a "ZAVV" when they are imported, with the aid of a forwarding agent. The value to be entered is the amount in Swiss francs for which the goods are to be offered for sale at the event. If the goods are sold, they must be declared definitively and any customs duties and value added tax paid.

## 4 Accident prevention

### 4.1 Occupational safety

Tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors and suppliers are responsible for the occupational safety of their employees and assistants who are carrying out work in the MCH halls and premises. During construction and dismantling, the hall aisles must be kept free as escape routes. Vehicles, machines, work appliances and equipment must comply with the valid accident prevention regulations and must be operated in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Coordination Commission for Occupational Safety (FCOS/EKAS) Guidelines. The orders and instructions issued by the authorities regarding occupational safety at the exhibition site must be followed at all times.

### 4.2 Overhead loads

Work appliances for holding overhead loads must be selected and operated in such a way that the load can be held securely for the entire duration of use. Persons using these work appliances must have the necessary qualifications. The regulations and rules of the art as per the FCOS/EKAS Fact Sheet "Rigging in der Veranstaltungstechnik" (Rigging in Event Technology) apply, with reference to German Statutory Accident Insurance (DGUV) Regulation 17 ([www.dguv.de](http://www.dguv.de)).

### 4.3 Vehicle traffic

The road traffic regulations (StVO) apply on the exhibition site. The corresponding signs governing vehicle and pedestrian traffic on the exhibition site must be observed. The maximum permitted speed for vehicles is 10 km/h. Areas where the headroom is less than 4m are marked. Lorries and delivery vehicles must switch off their engines during loading and unloading in the halls. Only a limited winter road clearance service is available over the entire exhibition site. For safety reasons, it is not permitted to use bicycles, scooters, Segways, skateboards, rollerblades or similar appliances in the MCH halls and premises.

### 4.4 Use of machines during assembly

Any machines, equipment, and tools that are used must not constitute any risk to visitors, exhibitors or third parties. It is not permitted to use bolt-driving tools or wood-processing machines without a suction system for chip removal.

### 4.5 Safety equipment

Only objects, machines, equipment and tools that meet the safety requirements described in the Federal Act of 12 June 2009 on product safety and the accident prevention regulations of the Swiss National Accident Insurance Fund (SUVA), may be exhibited or demonstrated (FCOS/EKAS Guidelines). Technical plant and equipment that does not meet the prerequisites for marketing may only be exhibited or demonstrated if it bears a notice stating clearly that compliance with the statutory requirements has not been proven, and if the necessary action has been taken to ensure the safety and well-being of persons. Safety devices may be removed from plant and equipment that is not in operation, but solely for purposes of enabling visitors to inspect the design and construction of concealed parts. The removed safety devices must be stored on the stand in such a way that they can be readily produced on demand. If anything is unclear, further information may be obtained from SUVA (SUVA Basel: St. Jakobs-Strasse 24, 4002 Basel, Tel. +41 61 278 46 00).

### 4.6 Removal of exhibits

Exhibits that do not comply with the accident prevention regulations must be made to conform with these on the day on which they are deemed to be in breach thereof or must be removed. If necessary, MCH shall be entitled to have the exhibits removed at the exhibitor's expense.

## 5 Fire-safety provisions

### 5.1 General information

Only materials that meet the fire-safety requirements of the Association of Cantonal Fire Insurance Schemes (VKF) may be used in the MCH halls and premises.

### 5.2 Fire-detection systems

All multi-storey stands and all enclosed stands with closed ceilings in excess of 30 m<sup>2</sup> must be connected up to the hall fire-detection systems.

### 5.3 Cladding and decorative materials

Cladding and decorations may only be made of materials that are fire-resistant to VKF standards and do not drip or produce noxious fumes in the event of a fire. Wall claddings in strong paper must be impregnated to make them fire-resistant and they must be fastened in such a way as to ensure that they lie as flat as possible against the wall. The use of straw, reeds, pine branches, and other readily flammable decorative materials is strictly prohibited.

### 5.4 Flammable materials

The storage, keeping or use of flammable or explosive materials is not permitted in the MCH halls and premises. No advertising balloons filled with hydrogen or gases with similar properties may be sold or handed out.

### 5.5 Naked flames

The use of naked flames and light, flammable liquids, gas bottles and oxygen bottles will only be permitted if it is necessary for demonstrating exhibits and if the fire department has no objections. The use of naked flames and light for decoration purposes is not permitted. Exhibitors must always obtain permission from the Fire Department prior to the start of an exhibition for carrying out welding work and for the setting up and storage of plant and equipment in their stand. The corresponding requests must be submitted via MCH.

### 5.6 Fog machines

Fog machines may only be operated with permission from MCH.

### 5.7 Emergency exits and technical equipment

Emergency exits, stairs, floor landings to stairs, passageways, fire detectors and extinguishing equipment must be kept clear at all times. They must be clearly visible, and it must be possible to use them without any obstructions. Stands, exhibits and other objects must not partly or wholly obstruct distributor boxes, electric cable ducts, ventilation ducts or gas and water pipes. Vehicle entrances must be kept permanently clear over their full inside and outside width. Anyone obstructing emergency exits or technical equipment will be liable for any damage that results.

### 5.8 Issuing alarms to people in stands

It must be possible to issue alarms to people in the stands at all times. Installations for alarms, training and the alarm issuing process must comply with the Stand Construction and Design Guidelines valid for the MCH exhibition in question.

## 6 Surveillance

### 6.1 General hall surveillance

MCH organises general surveillance of the halls before, during, and after the event. As a rule, surveillance begins at the start of the official assembly phase and is aligned to the particular circumstances of the individual halls. During the event, surveillance is maintained day and night. After the exhibition, surveillance continues up to a date stipulated by MCH. Exhibitors should pay greater attention at the end of an exhibition and during stand emptying, since there is a greater risk of loss at these times. At third-party events, MCH organises the general hall surveillance in consultation with the organiser in question. The general hall surveillance organised by MCH does not restrict the exclusion of its liability for loss or damage to persons or property.

### 6.2 Electronic hall surveillance

The halls are monitored by means of a video system for the duration of the event, including the assembly and dismantling phases. The buildings are locked by an electronic security control system.

### 6.3 Additional costs incurred

If a person needs to enter the MCH halls and premises outside the agreed times (e.g. to deliver goods or to clean a stand) and in so doing causes extra costs for additional surveillance and lighting etc., these costs may be charged to the person concerned.

## 7 Stand design

### 7.1 Stand design and construction guidelines

Stands to be assembled for the MCH's own exhibitions must comply with these General Regulations and also with the Guidelines on Stand Design and Construction.

### 7.2 Stand space

The space allocated on the stand positioning plan is available to the exhibitor for his/her stand. The stand's boundary line corresponds to the maximum extent of the stand on all sides. No projections (bays, illuminated signs, etc.) are permitted beyond these lines. All the fittings and equipment necessary for stand operation must thus be accommodated within these limits (the same applies for the allotted maximum stand height). All areas not defined as stand areas or storage zones are open spaces. These are needed firstly for logistics (goods transport, access) and secondly for safety purposes (escape routes) and must be kept clear of obstructions. MCH reserves the right to remove improperly deposited stand-construction material at the exhibitor's or organiser's expense. Anyone obstructing emergency exits or technical equipment will be liable for any damage that results.

### 7.3 Stand construction permit

A stand construction permit is required for multi-storey stands, stands occupied by a large number of persons, stands which have enclosed rooms, or closed ceilings, and also stands which incorporate special systems and fittings. To obtain the stand construction permit, the exhibitor or stand constructor must submit the following to MCH, in particular: project plans, a statics certificate from the structural engineer, and also details of the inscriptions, the materials used and the protection, alarm and surveillance systems. The stand construction permit that is issued will also be valid for future events – providing that no modifications are made. The stand must be constructed so that it is freestanding and may not be suspended from the hall.

### 7.4 Modification and removal of stand structures that do not comply with the requirements

Stand structures which have not been permitted or which do not comply with the stand permit, the conditions imposed, the regulations or the state of the art must be modified or removed within a short period of time. If the modification or removal is not performed on time, MCH shall be entitled to make the modifications at the exhibitor's or organiser's expense. In addition, MCH shall be entitled to impose a penalty on the exhibitor or organiser. MCH declines all responsibility for any damage caused in conjunction with the improvement of a non-compliant stand.

### 7.5 Stand assembly and dismantling

At MCH exhibitions, each exhibitor is allocated a time slot for the assembly and dismantling of their stand. At third-party events, the organiser must determine the assembly and dismantling times themselves. It is essential that the time slot for assembly and dismantling and the specified times for putting in place and removing the exhibits be observed. The aisles must generally be cleared by 12:00 on the day prior to the opening in order to allow a start to be made on the cleaning of the halls. Special rules may apply to certain events. After the opening date, no changes may be made to the stand equipment or fittings for the entire duration of the event. Exhibits may only be removed after the event has closed on the last day. The exhibitor must fully empty out the stand and the exhibits and remove them from the exhibition site by the end of the dismantling period specified by MCH. After this date, MCH reserves the right to dispose of the stand and the exhibits at the exhibitor's or organiser's expense and does not accept any liability for these goods.

### 7.6 Hall floors

The exhibitor must hand back the stand space in the same state as it was in when it was handed over. It is not permitted to fix anything to the hall floors. Machine plinths must be completely removed at the end of the event. The same also applies to all other fixed structural elements that have been fitted in the stand. If adhesive carpet tapes are used, they must not cause any damage to hall floors. No carpet tapes may be used on parquet floors. Damage to hall floors and to other parts of the building will be repaired by MCH and charged to the person or company responsible for the damage.

### 7.7 Hall ceiling

For safety reasons, any fittings attached directly to the hall ceiling (beams, clamps, steel cables) may only be fitted by the official MCH partners.

## 8 Technical connections

### 8.1 General information

All the technical connections to be provided by MCH must be ordered on the official forms. Private installations are strictly prohibited. Technical cables which run across public passageways must be properly secured and clearly marked. All connections, junction boxes, floor sockets, distributor boxes and branch lines must be accessible at all times. Anyone obstructing or moving technical connections will be liable for any damage that results.

### 8.2 Water and waste water

All connections to and from the exhibitor's stand to the exhibition halls' water supply and waste water systems and also all connections within the stand may only be installed by MCH's official contractors. For exhibitors who use large amounts of water, for example for ponds and pools, the installation of water-supply and wastewater connections is compulsory. The filling and emptying of large containers must be ordered from MCH.

### 8.3 Electricity

All the power cables from the mains to the exhibitors' stands and all the connections within the stands must be installed by MCH's official specialist contractors. The relevant safety regulations and instruction sheets must be strictly observed.

### 8.4 Gas

It is forbidden to cook with liquid gas in the MCH halls and premises. The use of propane and butane gas is only permitted in exceptional cases and only with the Fire Department's consent. Only equipment that meets the specifications of the Swiss Gas and Water Association (SVGW) may be connected up. The exhibitor or organiser must check the installations for tightness and correct functioning prior to each event. The relevant safety regulations and instruction sheets must be strictly observed.

### 8.5 Extraction of odours

No combustible, harmful or annoying vapours or gases may be introduced into the MCH halls and premises. Odour extraction hoods must be installed at the exhibitor's expense if food is cooked, grilled or fried in the MCH halls or premises. Only MCH extraction hoods may be installed on principle.

### 8.6 Compressed air

A central compressed-air supply is available in the MCH halls. This facility is brought into operation when there is sufficient demand. The compressed-air lines from the hall's mains to the exhibitor's stand may only be installed by MCH's official contractors. The setting-up and installation of third-party compressors in the halls by exhibitors is prohibited.

### 8.7 Communication networks

MCH has state-of-the-art communication networks. Speech, data and images etc. can be transmitted to the public network via the hall network. Point-to-point links can also be set up inside the exhibition halls. The main supply lines may only be installed by MCH's official contractors.

### 8.8 Wireless data transmission

The MCH Halls are equipped with publicly accessible and closed wireless local area networks (WLAN). To ensure interference-free operation of these networks, it is not permitted to operate private stand WLANs of any type in the MCH Halls (conventional networks with/without internet access, tethering, control systems, presentation technology, Wireless Direct Print, monitoring systems, etc.). Private WLANs can be authorised in exceptional cases. These must, however, be registered in advance and be subjected to a prior technical inspection (for which a charge is levied) and accepted before they are brought into use. If the operation of a private WLAN causes interference with or interrupts the operation of the MCH WLAN, MCH may demand that the configuration be changed or that the interfering network or system be shut down. If private WLAN systems are operated that have not been inspected or which have failed the technical inspection, MCH can close these down immediately and charge the operator compensation of up to CHF 1500.– for the inconvenience caused.

### 8.9 Air-conditioning of stands

If additional cooling of stands is required, a connection to the central cooling system in the MCH halls is compulsory. The cool air lines from the hall's mains to the exhibitor's stand may only be installed by MCH's official contractors.

## 9 Cleaning and waste disposal

### 9.1 General hall cleaning

MCH takes charge of the general cleaning of the halls (aisles, stairs, sanitary installations, etc.) for all events.

### 9.2 Cleaning agents

Biodegradable products must always be used for cleaning. Liquids, substances or other materials that are absolutely essential for stand cleaning or for the cleaning, operation and maintenance of exhibits must be employed in the correct technical manner so that they do not have any environmentally harmful effects. Residual stocks, plus any ancillary agents used, must be disposed of correctly as hazardous waste. Cleaning agents containing solvents that are harmful to health may only be used in exceptional cases, as per the regulations.

### 9.3 Waste disposal

Each tenant, organiser, exhibitor, stand constructor, supplier and visitor is responsible for the disposal of their own waste during their time in the MCH halls and premises. MCH organises the disposal of waste. Small quantities are collected and disposed of in MCH waste disposal bags at the exhibitor's expense. Bigger quantities, bulky waste and hazardous waste will be disposed of in skips and special containers and invoiced. Kitchen and catering waste is to be disposed of segregated into plastic, glass, paper and residual waste. Any waste and other goods left behind on the exhibition premises after the end of the exhibition or after the clearance deadline specified by MCH will be disposed of or put into storage by MCH for a higher charge at the expense of the person responsible.

## 10 Intellectual property rights

### 10.1 Musical performances

Anyone playing live music or recorded music from audio or audiovisual recording media in the MCH halls or other premises or in the outdoor parts of the exhibition site has the duty to obtain a permit from SUISA (the Cooperative Society of Music Authors and Publishers in Switzerland). The use of music must be notified to SUISA at least ten days before the start of the exhibition. The organisers agree to compensate MCH in full for any claims filed by third parties on account of failure to comply with copyright provisions (information and permits are available from: SUISA, Bellariastrasse 82, Postfach 782, 8038 Zürich, Tel. +41 44 485 66 66, www.suisa.ch).

### 10.2 Picture and sound recordings

People who are in the MCH halls and premises in order to attend an event must reckon with MCH making picture and sound recordings of them. They agree that MCH may use any picture or sound recordings made of them for reports, documentation and advertising in conjunction with the event that they attended.

## 11 Advertising and acquisition

### 11.1 General information

Persons performing work for the exhibition in the MCH halls and premises who are not in possession of an exhibitor's pass or staff ID card can be ordered to leave the exhibition site by MCH or the organiser in question.

### 11.2 Customer information

When specifying prices, discounts, extra quantities and other information, it is essential to comply with the provisions of the Federal Law on Consumer Information of 5 October 1990, the Federal Law on Unfair Competition dated 19 December 1986 and the Decree on the Publication of Prices of 11 December 1978.

### 11.3 Competitions

Lotteries as defined in the Swiss Federal Law on Lotteries and Commercial Gambling of 8 June 1923 are prohibited. The law defines a lottery as any event in which, for compensation in any form whatsoever or upon conclusion of a legal act, an economic or pecuniary right or advantage is promised or held in prospect as a prize, whose acquisition, size, or character is decided by chance by the drawing of lots or numbers, or by similar means.

## 12 Construction work

Tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors shall tolerate any construction or repair work performed on MCH's halls and premises without being able to claim compensation, provided such work is necessary and reasonable.

## 13 Drones

It is not permitted to operate drones or other remotely-controlled flying devices in the MCH's halls and premises during an event. Drones and other remotely-controlled flying devices may not be operated above gatherings of people or within 100 metres of gatherings of people outdoors. Exemption permits can be issued by the Swiss Federal Office of Aviation (FOCA).

## 14 Parking spaces

Exhibitors and visitors can park their cars in the Messe Basel car park. Lorries and delivery vans can be parked at the Checkpoint. Organisers of third-party events can order parking space tickets from MCH. The delivery zones at the MCH exhibition site may not be used for parking.

## 15 Catering

MCH or its official catering partner are responsible for the operation of occasional restaurants, food stands and event catering throughout the entire MCH exhibition site. Under certain circumstances, outside caterers can also be admitted to MCH exhibitions and third-party exhibitions. They must register with MCH and pay a levy.

## 16 Exclusion of liability

### 16.1 Negligence and indirect damage

As far as is legally permissible, MCH excludes, both for itself and for its agents, any liability for slight negligence and indirect damage, and especially for lost profits. Any damage must be reported to MCH without delay.

### 16.2 Damage to exhibits and stand furnishings

MCH is not a custodian in the sense of Article 472 of the Swiss Code of Obligations and does not assume a duty of care towards exhibitors, owners or third parties for exhibits, stand equipment and other items not belonging to it. MCH excludes any liability or recourse claims in the event of damage, loss or the official confiscation of exhibits, stand equipment and other items not belonging to it, both during the time for which the goods are on the exhibition site and during their transport to and from the site.

### 16.3 Damage through the operation of a stand

MCH declines any liability towards exhibitors and third parties for damage caused by performances and presentations, the assembly or dismantling of stands or the operation of a stand.

## 17 Insurances

### 17.1 MCH exhibitions

All exhibitors are required to insure all exhibits and stand installations against damage and loss during an MCH exhibition and also during transport to and from the site and must also take out liability insurance. Upon request, the exhibitor will be insured against these risks through MCH's collective contract. In this case, the exhibitor must fill out the "Insurance Application" form and submit it to the exhibition management no later than two weeks prior to the start of the exhibition. Exhibitors themselves are responsible for determining the correct level of the sum insured. Following this, the exhibitor will be issued with an insurance certificate. MCH will pay the premiums to the insurance company as an advance and will invoice the exhibitor for the corresponding amount in the final invoice for the exhibition. Exhibitors who already have adequate insurance cover must submit a declaration of non-participation (waiver) to the exhibition management two weeks prior to the start of the show at the latest, otherwise they will be automatically insured against the above-mentioned risks. MCH does, however, draw exhibitors' express attention to the fact that the automatic sum insured may not be sufficient and that an exhibitor may not be sufficiently covered in the event of a claim.

### 17.2 Third-party events

The insurance of goods brought to a third-party event against damage and loss is the responsibility of the organiser in question. MCH does not assume any liability for this. The organiser must ensure that his/her exhibitors and suppliers take out sufficient insurance for their goods. The organiser is obliged to take out liability insurance.

## 18 Cancellation, premature termination, rescheduling or adaptation of an event

### 18.1 Cancellation and premature termination of an event

MCH is entitled to cancel an event before it is held, or prematurely terminate an event, if it is not possible to hold the event for reasons for which MCH is not responsible, or due to force majeure. If an event has to be cancelled or prematurely terminated for reasons for which MCH is not responsible, or due to force majeure, MCH shall be released from its contractual duties to perform, and the tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors shall have no claim against MCH for either performance, for withdrawal from the contract, or for compensation. Any payments already made will be refunded with the deduction of any expenditure already incurred by MCH in connection with the cancelled or prematurely terminated event.

### 18.2 Rescheduling and adaptation of an event

MCH is entitled to reschedule an event or adapt its operation to the circumstances if MCH has a particular interest in such measures due to special circumstances. If an event has to be rescheduled or its operation adapted to the circumstances, the tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors shall have no claim against MCH for either withdrawal from the contract or compensation.

## 19 Measures by MCH

MCH has the right to decree whatever actions it deems fit to ensure orderly proceedings during the holding of any event. In order to ensure compliance with its rules and regulations, MCH may, if a written warning has failed to produce remedial action within a set deadline, arrange for the necessary action to be taken at the defaulter's risk and expense.

## 20 General information

### 20.1 Domiciliary rights

The organs of the MCH have domiciliary rights on the entire exhibition site in Basel. Any person who fails to carry out their instructions and ignores their warning can be ordered to leave the premises without this entitling them to any legal claims. The organs of the MCH and any persons duly authorised by them, shall have the right of access at all times to the MCH halls and premises.

### 20.2 Animals

It is fundamentally forbidden to bring dogs or other animals into the MCH halls and premises. MCH may authorise exceptions for certain events. This restriction does not apply to guide dogs for the blind.

### 20.3 Statutory ban on smoking

It is forbidden by law to smoke tobacco in MCH's halls and premises. Anyone not observing the ban on smoking can be fined. In justified exceptional cases, MCH may permit the smoking of e-cigarettes in the MCH's halls and premises.

### 20.4 Damage and vandalism

Environmental damage and soiling through substances that are harmful to the environment or to health, such as oil, petrol, solvents or paint, must be notified to the MCH without delay. Damage to MCH facilities will be repaired at the expense of the person who has caused it. If a tenant, organiser, exhibitor, stand constructor, supplier or visitor causes deliberate damage to MCH property, then MCH can impose a penalty of CHF 5000 on them in addition to the compensation for the damage caused.

### 20.5 Materials hazardous to health and the environment

At public points of sale and on exhibition stands, it is forbidden to distribute cigarettes and alcohol to minors, to distribute laughing gas or handle products which, on account of their composition, are subject to the legislation governing poisonous substances. The handling of materials, objects and equipment containing radioactive material and equipment for the generation of ionizing radiation requires a permit from the authorities in accordance with the Radiation Protection Ordinance of 22 June 1994.

### 20.6 Acceptance of conditions

With the beginning of their contractual relationship with MCH, the tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors accept these General Regulations as binding. They are also responsible for ensuring that their employees and assistants take due note of and observe the conditions laid down in the General Regulations.

### 20.7 Validity

If the wording of the present General Regulations gives rise to differences of opinion as regards their interpretation, the German language version shall be decisive. If any one provision is found to be invalid, this will not have the effect of rendering all the provisions invalid. All verbal agreements, individual authorisations and special arrangements require the written confirmation of MCH in order to be valid.

### 20.8 Applicable law and jurisdiction

Solely Swiss law shall apply. The tenants, organisers, exhibitors, stand constructors, suppliers and visitors accept that any disputes with MCH will be subject to the jurisdiction of the ordinary courts of the canton of Basel-Stadt. MCH can also choose to pursue any claims they may have against an organiser, exhibitor, stand constructor, supplier or visitor before the courts of the place at which the latter has their domicile or seat.



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