

Shepard Glossary

Advanced Freight – Refers to freight that has been sent to Shepard’s warehouse prior to the Event move in.

Advance Order – An order for services sent to service contractor prior to installation date.

Aisle Carpet – The carpet that is placed on the Event floor in the aisles to separate the booths.

Back Wall – Refers to the drape used at the rear of a standard booth.

Bill of Lading – A legal document that establishes the terms between the shipper (exhibitor) and transportation company (carrier) for the transport of goods between specified points for a specified charge. A bill of lading is required to be filled out and turned in at the Shepard Service Desk at the close of the show, after the exhibitor is all packed up, in order to Shepard to release the freight to the transportation company (carrier)

Booth Package – This term describes the equipment supplied to exhibitors from show management.

Certified Weight Ticket – Certified weight ticket is a required documented measurement used for shipping exhibit properties. All carriers checking into a Shepard marshaling yard are required to present a certified weight ticket at check in.

Common Carrier – A transportation company moving exhibitor freight, which usually only accepts crated materials that it can consolidate with the properties of other customers into one shipment bound for the same destination. Only Shepard can accept freight from a common carrier.

Corner Booth – An exhibit space with exposure on at least two aisles, usually found at the end of a row of inline booths.

CWT – “Century Weight” or “hundredweight”. The total weight of a crate is divided by 100 to obtain billable weight. 51,000 lbs / 100 = 510 cwt

Drayage – The service that includes delivery of materials to an exhibit space, removal of empty crates, storage of crates during the Event, return of crates at the end of the Event, and delivery of materials to the carrier loading area.

DT Labor – Double-time labor, or work performed on double time and charged at twice the published rate.

Empty Sticker – A colored sticker used to mark empty crates and boxes for storage provided in the material handling service. See Service Desk for Empty Stickers.

Exclusive Contractor – One who holds an exclusive contract with a facility or event manager to provide specified services to that facility or Event.

Exhibitor-Approved Contractor (EAC) – Also called an independent contractor, a supplier hired by an exhibitor to perform trade Event services independently of Event management-appointed contractors.

Exhibitor Kit – Also known as a Service Manual, this is package of information that contains all rules, regulations and ordering forms relating to an exhibition, provided to exhibitors by Event management.

Facility Carpeted – Indicates the exhibit hall and/or ballroom in which the Event is taking place is already carpeted.

Floor Order – An order for product or service placed after Advance Deadline therefore not eligible for discounted rates.

Floor Port – A utility box recessed in the floor containing electrical, telephone or plumbing connections.

Freight – Exhibit properties and other materials shipped for an exhibit.

Freight Desk – The area where inbound and outbound exhibit materials are handled at a trade event.

Forklift /Ground Rigging – Handling and assembly of machinery that requires the use of a forklift. This includes positioning and/or re-skidding of exhibitor material, machinery and equipment.

Hard wall – A type of exhibit construction in which walls are made of a solid material, rather than fabric.

I&D – Installation and dismantling of an exhibit by a labor source. Exhibitors may orders this service from the general contractor.

ID Signs – Typically a 7” x 44” cardstock sign that contains exhibitor name and booth number.

In-line – An exhibit that is constructed in a continuous line with other exhibits.

Island Exhibit – An exhibit with aisles on four sides. There is no pipe and drape construction provided to Island booths.

Labor – Contracted workers who perform services. When labor is ordered, hours are based on estimates and will be billed actual time incurred.

Requested times are not guaranteed and are based on availability. Minimum of one hour will be charged. Additional time will be billed in increments. Rates are based on when labor was performed: ST, OT, DT.

Logistics – Point to point transportation services for freight by an appointed carrier.

Marshaling Yard – A lot where trucks gather for orderly dispatch to Event site. When Shepard provides a marshaling yard, all carriers must check in, present a weight ticket, and will be guided to the docks to unload when a space is available. The same is true for the out of the show. Applicable fee applies.

Move In – Refers to the date and time that exhibitors gain access to a facility and are able to begin the construction and/or set up of their booth.

Mobile Spotting Fee – The charge for Shepard personnel to safely guide vehicles operated by exhibitors on the exhibit hall floor when approved by show management and if Shepard determines such activity to be operationally feasible and safe. All vehicles operated on the exhibit hall floor must be escorted by Shepard personnel. All local fire marshal rules and regulations apply. Please call customer service for details.

Move-out – The date/time specified by Event management for dismantling exhibits and clearing the exhibition floor. Also referred to as Tear Down.

Padded Van Shipment – Uncrated goods covered with blankets or other protective padding and shipped via van line.

Perimeter Booth – A booth space on an outside wall.

Pipe and Drape – Tubing covered with draped fabric to make up rails and back wall of a trade show.

Porter Service – A service that includes the emptying of wastebaskets within the booth at specific intervals during the show.

Quad Box – Four electrical outlets in one box provided by the electrical contractor.

Registration – This refers to an area that Event management uses to register and check in Event exhibitors, buyers and attendees. This is the place in which show badges can be obtained.

Rigger – A skilled worker responsible for handling and assembly of machinery.

Right-to-Work state – A state where no person can be denied the right to work because of membership or non-membership in a labor union. See the Union Rules and Regulations within your manual for specific guidelines.

Service Desk – The location at which exhibitors order services.

Side Rails – The wall between two booths used to divide exhibits, typically 3’ high.

Skirting – Decorative covering around tables and risers. Tables are skirted on 3 sides unless additional skirting is ordered.

Special Handling: An additional charge that applies to exhibits shipments requiring extra labor, equipment, or time for delivery to exhibit space.

ST labor – Straight time labor, or work performed during normal hours at the standard rate.

Targets – Exhibitor move in date/time prior to general move-in available by appointment only.

Visqueen – A clear heavy plastic sheeting that is placed over exhibiting carpeting after it is laid in order to protect it until show opens.