HOUSE RULES

1. Scope
The exhibition grounds are private property. The latest up-to-date version of the house rules applies to the entire exhibition grounds of Messe Berlin, including all exhibition halls, buildings and access routes as well as all outdoor areas, open-air sites and parking areas. The rules apply to all visitors, tenants, service providers and all other persons. They do not apply to employees of the Messe Berlin group.

2. Rights of access
2.1 Access to events is only granted upon presentation of a valid admission ticket, a valid accreditation pass for the day on which the event is taking place or another kind of access authorisation. Persons are only allowed to access the exhibition grounds during the times and in the buildings and for the purpose specified in their access authorisation. The access authorisation may be held available for presentation during the entire stay on the exhibition grounds and must be presented to the security guards upon request.

2.2 Children and young people under 14 years of age may only access the exhibition grounds accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or equivalent supervisor pursuant to the German Protection of Young Persons Act /JuSchG/. Only construction workers and employees of Messe Berlin as well as their representatives are granted access to construction and disassembly areas.

2.3 Single admission tickets become invalid upon leaving the exhibition grounds.

2.4 Visitors are obliged to leave the exhibition grounds immediately as soon as the event has ended.

2.5 Persons not employed at Messe Berlin must obtain special permission from Messe Berlin before they are allowed to access administrative areas or technical service rooms of any kind.

3. Denial of access
Visitors who:
3.1 do not follow the instructions of security personnel,
3.2 are clearly under the influence of alcohol or drugs,
3.3 have been banned from entering the exhibition grounds,
3.4 refuse to be searched by security personnel,
3.5 clearly intend to disturb the event,
shall be denied access to the exhibitions grounds without refund of their admission ticket price.

4. Security
4.1 The instructions of the security personnel must be followed at all times.

4.2 In the interest of the property owner’s rights, parts of the exhibition grounds are subject to video surveillance. These areas are marked accordingly.

4.3 Messe Berlin may order the closure or evacuation of rooms, buildings, temporary buildings and open-air sites for safety reasons. All persons in these areas must leave the respective areas immediately when requested to do so and must follow the instructions of Messe Berlin’s staff.

4.4 Messe Berlin is authorised to check the contents of bags and other receptacles carried by visitors as well as clothing, such as coats, jackets and cloaks, of persons attending events.

4.5 Depending on the kind of event, it may be prohibited to bring larger bags (as individually specified) and similar receptacles to the event.

4.6 The following objects may only be brought into the grounds after prior written approval by Messe Berlin:
• weapons or other dangerous objects which might be used as a weapon or missile,
• fireworks, pyrotechnical products and explosives,
• illegal drugs as specified in the German Narcotics Act /BtLäubungs- mittelgesetz/.

4.7 Messe Berlin reserves the right to inspect the contents of the cargo bays of motor vehicles upon entry or exit of the fair grounds.

5. General behavior
5.1 All facilities on the exhibition grounds are to be handled and used with care and respect.

5.2 On the exhibition grounds, all visitors are to behave in such a way that they do not harm or endanger any other persons or annoy them more than is unavoidable.

5.3 Any soiling, contamination or pollution of exhibition ground facilities is prohibited.

5.4 Waste, packaging materials and empty receptacles must be disposed of in the containers provided.

6. Traffic
6.1 The provisions of the German Road Traffic Regulations /StVO/ shall apply on the entire exhibition grounds. Vehicle and pedestrian traffic signs must be observed.

6.2 Vehicles will only be granted access to the exhibition grounds if the driver has a valid access permit.

6.3 Officially marked areas such as fire brigade access areas, escape routes and emergency exits must be kept clear at all times.

7. General bans
7.1 Commercial photography, filming and the production of audio and video material, in particular of exhibition stands and exhibits, is prohibited on the exhibition grounds unless the prior written consent of Messe Berlin is obtained.

7.2 Access to the exhibition grounds with roller skates, inline skates, skateboards, kickboards, scooters, electric scooters, segways or similar mobility vehicles is prohibited without the prior written consent of Messe Berlin.

7.3 No animals, except for assistance dogs, may be brought onto the exhibition grounds. Messe Berlin may revoke this principle in individual cases or for specific events and make such revocation dependent on the fulfillment of certain conditions. Dogs must be kept on a leash and muzzled. The provisions of the Berlin Dog Law /Berliner Hundegesetz/ apply. Special exemptions shall apply to animals being displayed at animal-related events.

7.4 The distribution of printed matter or advertising material, the affixing of stickers and posters, as well as the unauthorised use of advertising media is prohibited. Special rules and regulations apply to exhibitors.

7.5 Smoking is prohibited in all enclosed spaces on the exhibition grounds.

8. Personality rights
We expressly point out that Messe Berlin or third parties commissioned by Messe Berlin to take photographs or produce film, audio and video material for reporting, advertising and documentation purposes are entitled to do so.

Visitors and other persons have no right to prevent, impede or hamper such activities. By entering the exhibition grounds, visitors and other persons consent to such photographs and recordings being made and published.

9. Limitation of liability
9.1 All persons entering and using the exhibition grounds do so at their own risk.

9.2 All persons entering the exhibition grounds run the risk of possible damage to their health owing to the increased noise at various events. Messe Berlin only assumes liability for such damage to health within the scope of legal liability and only if Messe Berlin or its vicarious agents are found guilty of intent or gross negligence.

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