

30TH  ESCRS WINTER MEETING

HELSINKI

MESSUKESKUS - HELSINKI, FINLAND

06 - 08 MARCH 2026

UPDATE LOG

Please see below for an overview of all updates to the Technical Exhibitor Manual per version.
Please note: The manual located on the portal is the most up-to-date version.

- Page 12: Lead Retrieval link. Book Badge scanners.
- Page 34: EA General Rules and Regulations updated.

WELCOME

Welcome to the Technical Exhibitor Manual of the 30th ESCRS Winter Meeting which will be held from 6 March - 8 March, 2026 in Helsinki, Finland.

EA Exhibitions is appointed as the official Exhibition Contractor by the European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (ESCRS) and its official PCO, MCI Suisse SA.

The manual can be downloaded in PDF format from downloads, in your dashboard on <https://live.toddoo.com/event/WMESCRS2026>

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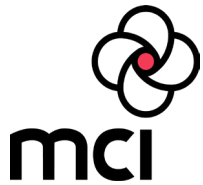
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EXHIBITION CONTRACTOR

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

General

- Rigging needs to be requested before **29 JANUARY, 2026**. Requests received after this date cannot be processed anymore.
- Two weeks before build-up, you will receive an email with information regarding your contractor badge.
- The electrical supply will be shut off 30 minutes after exhibition closes. 24h sockets can be purchased separately directly from the shop.
- Please include the full stand number, including the hall name, in all communications and orders.

Space only

- Maximum construction height of the stands in exhibition hall:

Valo	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Säde	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Kajo	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging
103	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging

- The deadline for submitting your stand approval is **22 JAN, 2026**.

On-site

- All empties must be removed from the exhibition on **05 MAR, 2026 - BEFORE 18:00**.
- Emergency aisles must be empty during the build-up and breakdown.
- To carry out work inside the Messukeskus Conference Centre, the personal protective equipment (PPE) needed for the activity to be carried out in each work position must always be used.

Orders

- Orders will only be processed after receiving the payment. If we do not receive the payment prior to the event, stand items will not be installed when build-up starts. Any non-receipt of payment is not considered a cancellation.
- All cancellations must be submitted in writing. Cancellation of orders are entitled to a refund in the following way:
100% refund until 6 weeks prior to start date of the event (**25 JAN ,2026**) (minus €85 administration costs).
0% refund from 6 weeks to the start of the event. (**26 JAN, 2026**)
- Please take note that any on-site complaint should be sent within 48hrs from the service supplied. Otherwise it will not be taken into consideration and no refunds will be made.
- Re-issuing the invoice to a different billing address is subject to administrative fee of €85, which will be included in the new invoice.

CONTENT

GENERAL INFORMATION

LOCATION

Messukeskus, Finland
Messukeskus Conference Centre,
Rautiointie 5, 00520 Helsinki,
Finland

- You can find your way to the congress center via: [link](#)
- Please click [here](#) for the contractor badge that must be presented to security.

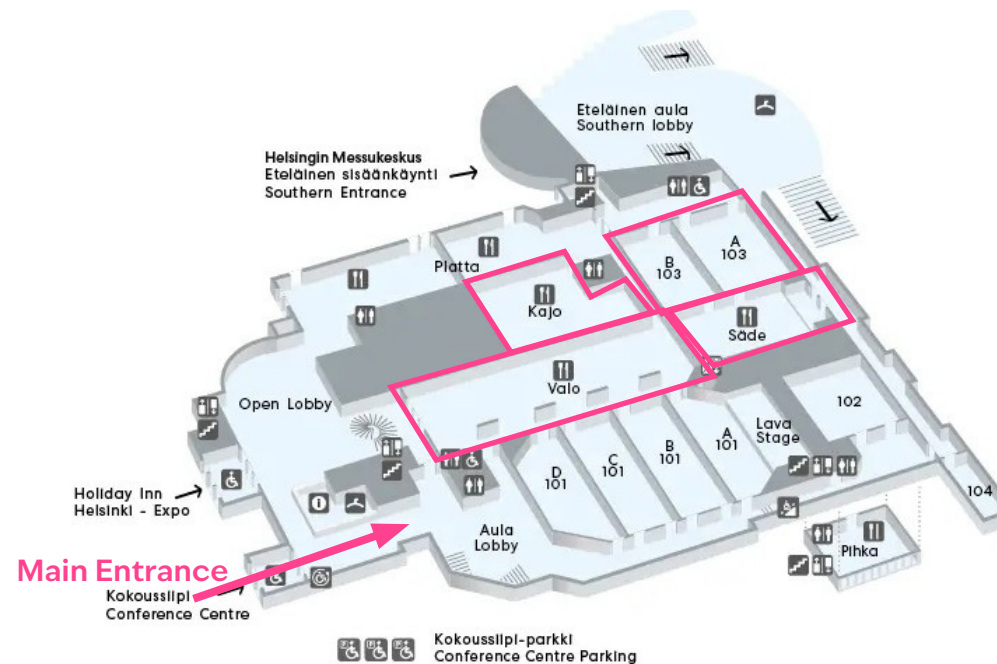
Taxi drop-off and pick-up is located at entrance main entrance.

The exhibition of the ESCRS 2026 Winter Meeting will be held in the Conference Center: Valo, Säde, Kajo and 103.
Heavy load access: door V11.

FLOORPLAN

See up to date exhibition floorplan in Toddo: <https://live.toddoo.com/event/WMESCRS2026>.

Emergency aisles must be empty during build-up and breakdown at all times as officially confirmed by the fire and safety department. Obstructing the aisles will result in the removal of all materials.





CONTACT LIST

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GBH Exhibition Forwarding Ltd Freight forwarding & handling Lorry parking	escrs@gbhforwarding.com
M-Events Audio-visual equipment - symposia Stand audioguide equipment (Headsets and "Meet the Experts" Equipment)	industry@m-events.com
The Travel Experience Oy Local transportation Local restaurants Local guides Social activities & entertainment Photographers	merja.hart@travel-experience.net

TIME TABLE

BUILD-UP AND DISMANTLING HOURS	BADGE	DAY	DATE	TIME
Move - in / construction space only stands	Contractor	Wednesday Thursday	4 March 2026 5 March 2026	08:00 - 18:00* 08:00 - 18:00*
Move - in exhibitors with a stand from EA Exhibitions	Contractor/ Exhibitor	Thursday	5 March 2026	08:00 - 18:00*
*ALL EMPTIES MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE EXHIBITION BEFORE 18:00!				
Finalisation on stand only*	Contractor	Thursday Friday	5 March 2026 6 March 2026	18:00 - 20:00 08:00 - 9:00
*NO ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION INCLUDING: PAINTING, SAWING, DRILLING, FLIGHTCASES OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT REQUIRES TOOLS!				
Dismantling - packing*	Contractor/ Exhibitor	Sunday	8 March 2026	12:00 - 13:00*
Dismantling	Contractor	Sunday	8 March 2026	13:00 - 22:00

*IT IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN TO START WITH DISMANTLING ON SUNDAY, 8 MARCH, BEFORE 13:00!

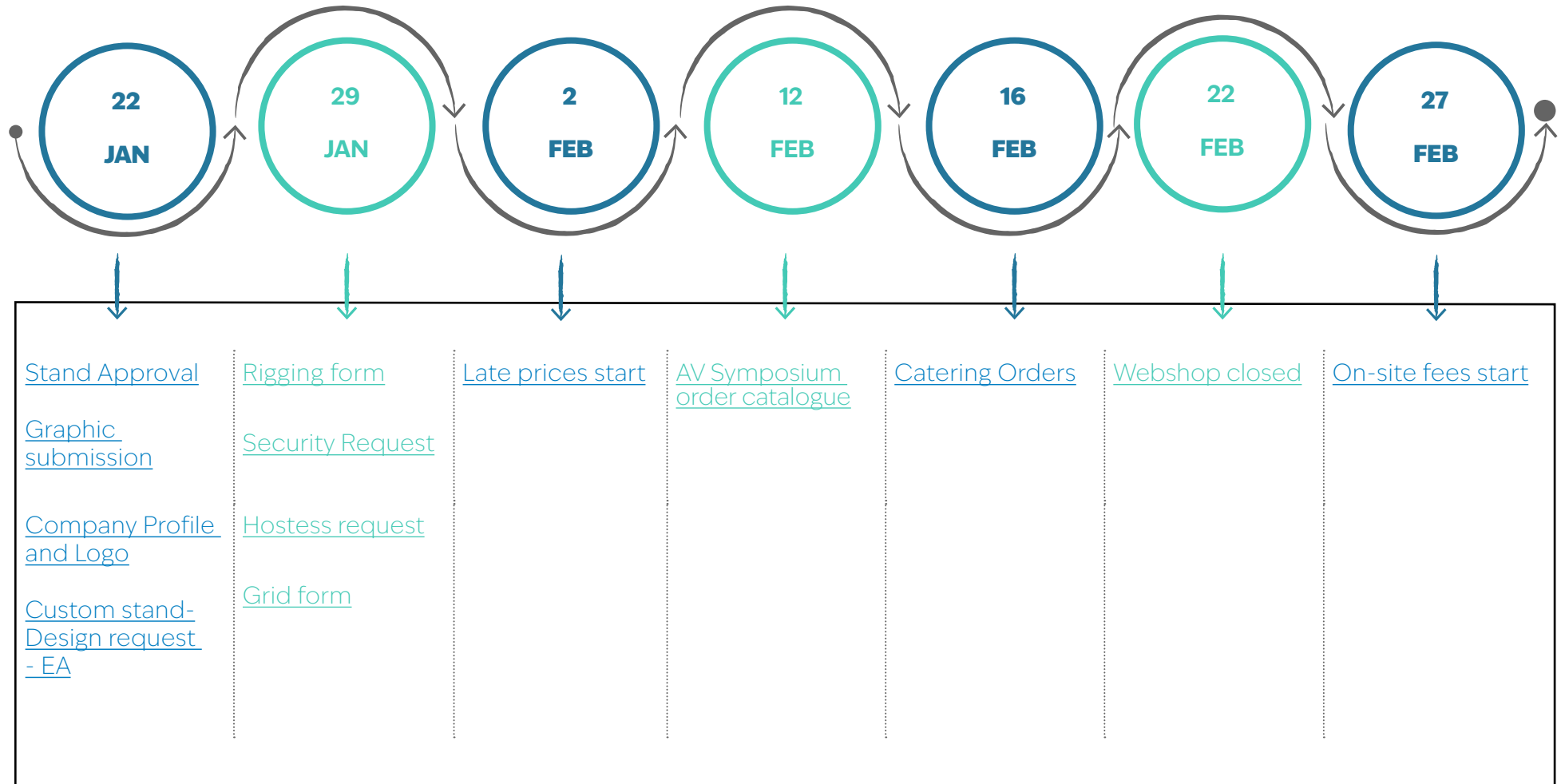
EXHIBITION OFFICIAL OPENING HOURS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Exhibition official opening hours	Friday	6 March 2026	09:00 - 19:00
Exhibition official opening hours	Saturday	7 March 2026	09:00 - 18:00
Exhibition official opening hours	Sunday	8 March 2026	09:00 - 12:00

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE ACCESSIBLE FOR EXHIBITORS 60 MINUTES BEFORE AND AFTER THE OFFICIAL EXHIBITION OPENING HOURS.



DEADLINES

Submit online here your requests and registrations on time.



Click each topic to access online forms

COMPANY PROFILE & LOGO

To appear as a confirmed sponsor/exhibitor on the ESCRS 2026 Winter Meeting website, congress app and printed pocket programme, make sure to complete this [form](#) by **22 JANUARY, 2026**. Past this date, the PCO can not guarantee that it will appear in the congress app. Processing a submission may take up to 5 working days.

AV SYMPOSIUM ORDER CATALOGUE

The official contractor for audio visual equipment for satellite symposia is M-events. Their brochure can be found [here](#).
The deadline to request or make any adjustments is: **12 FEBRUARY, 2026**.
For any specific questions you may reach out to M-Events via: industry@m-events.com

AUDIO GUIDE EQUIPMENT - HEADSETS

M-events is the official provider of headsets and Audioguide Equipment to help you organise talks and “Meet the Experts” sessions on your booth.
For any specific questions you may reach out to M-Events via: industry@m-events.com

LOCAL CONGRESS PARTNER

The Travel Experience Oy has been selected for on-site ground services. Their team will be delighted to share their local contacts with you and help you book the following services:

- Local transportation
- Local restaurants
- Local guides
- Social activities & entertainment
- Photographers
- Printings

Please contact merja.hart@travel-experience.net

USE OF ESCRS CONGRESS LOGO

Should you wish to make use of the 30th Winter Meeting of the ESCRS logo this will need to be reviewed by the ESCRS Sponsorship and Exhibition secretariat first.

Such requests can be sent to escrs.sponex@mci-group.com for review.

SATELITTE SYMPOSIA GUIDELINES

Guidelines to follow soon.

EXHIBITOR BADGE ALLOCATION

All delegates, exhibitors and sponsored sessions organizers will receive a personal badge to access the ESCRS 2026 Winter Meeting. It is mandatory to wear your name badge at all times while inside the Congress Center. Delegates not wearing their name badge will not have access to the Halls.

You are entitled to three (3) free exhibitor badges for your first 9 square meter exhibition space booked. You get one (1) additional badge for each additional full 9 square meter thereafter.

ADDITIONAL EXHIBITOR BADGES

Additional badges can be ordered via the Congress Secretariat: escrswintermeeting.reghot@mci-group.com

EXHIBITOR BADGES PICK UP

Badges can be picked-up at the registration area. The registration area is located on the ground floor by the main entrance of the Conference Centre.

BADGE SCANNERS

For badge scanners, please contact Karen Bhavnani at MCI Suisse SA via badgereader@wearemci.com.

You may also directly book via the link [here](#).

EXHIBITORS PARTICIPATION IN SESSIONS

Participants with Exhibitor badges will not be permitted to attend scientific sessions, except for their own company satellite symposia.

Exhibitors interested in attending a scientific session must register as regular congress participants by contacting escrswintermeeting.reghot@mci-group.com.



REGISTRATION DESK OPENING HOURS

DAY DATE	TIME
Friday 6 March 2026	07:00 - 19:30
Saturday 7 March 2026	07:30 - 19:30
Sunday 8 March 2026	07:30 - 13:30

*Opening hours still subject to change



BUILD-UP AND DISMANTLING

Rules & regulations

- Early dismantling is expressly prohibited. All exhibits, displays, stand fittings, and materials must be removed from the premises by the time and date stated by the organisers. Removal of exhibits and dismantling may not commence until after the official closing time of the congress.
- Emergency aisles must be empty during build-up and breakdown at **all times** as officially confirmed by **the fire and safety department**. Obstructing the aisles will result in removing all materials.
- GBH Exhibition Forwarding has been appointed as the sole forwarding agent and on-site handling contractor for the exhibition. It is the only company allowed to carry out lifting, off-loading and any means of on-site handling involving mechanical equipment, i.e. fork-lift trucks or cranes.
- All materials left behind after 8 March, 22:00 without the authorization of the Exhibition Management will be considered abandoned and without value. Materials will be removed at the expense of the exhibitor, including all items attached to the shell scheme walls that have not been ordered through the portal.

The companies that participate in build-up and break down tasks must have an Occupational Risk Prevention management system (in accordance with the provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act 738/2002). All Health and safety certificates must be made available for both onsite and ahead of congress.

Contractor passes & access

Each individual staff member that requires access to the venue during official build-up and dismantling hours must present a copy of the pass, duly completed with full name, National ID or passport, company name and signature. Two weeks before build-up, you receive an email with information regarding your build-up badge.

Note:

- Contractor passes do not grant the bearers access to the congress centre outside of the official build-up and dismantling hours. Those contractors that require access to the exhibitor hall on congress days, from 08:00 to 09:00 to help with the booth setup, should go onsite to the exhibitors desk the day before and ask for an assigned wristband.

IMPORTANT - PPE

To carry out work inside the Messukeskus Conference Centre, the personal protective equipment (PPE) needed for the activity to be carried out in each work position is recommended to be used. For further information on PPE please go to the page titled 'Health and Safety and PPE'



CATERING

We recommend placing your orders well in advance, no later than **16 February 2026**.

To confirm your order, we require the booth number, company name, delivery times, the on-site contact person, and the exact billing details of the company.

All orders must be paid in advance, and the payment must reach us no later than one week before the event. Exhibitors are not permitted to use external catering suppliers. A fine may be imposed if it is discovered that your items were not ordered through the official company.

For any orders please contact: messukeskus@noho.fi



FREIGHT FORWARDING & ON-SITE HANDLING

GBH Exhibition Forwarding has been appointed as the sole forwarding agent and on-site handling contractor for the exhibition. It is the only company allowed to carry out lifting, off-loading and any means of on-site handling involving mechanical equipment, i.e. fork-lift trucks or cranes. All offloading or unloading from/to vehicles, deliveries to/from a stand or any other on-site handling will be charged and invoiced directly to the exhibitor (or stand contractor) by the sole forwarding agent.

The time frames, location and space near the exhibition halls are limited during build-up and dismantling. Therefore GBH will operate with timeslots for (un)loading vehicles requiring forklift. Please note, the deadline for submitting the vehicle entrance requests for vehicles requiring to load/unload using a forklift is **18 February 2026**.

Unloading by hand do not require timeslots and vehicles should arrive and wait in line to enter. All vehicles arriving at the venue for the delivery and collection of exhibits or stand fittings must report to GBH.

GBH is also responsible for all custom formalities for this event. For instructions please see their shipping manual, [here](#).

Please click [here](#) for the Vehicle entrance procedure.

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HALL INFORMATION

1) The standard building height for the exhibition is 2.50m.

- Maximum construction height of the stands in Conference Centre area are:

Valo	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Säde	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Kajo	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging
103	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging

2) The maximum floor load in the exhibition:

Valo/ Säde/ Kajo/ 103 is 400 kg/m²

Any exhibit exceeding this limit will require special handling to distribute the load. Exhibitors are responsible for notifying EA Exhibitions of any potential weight concerns.



MEETING ROOMS

Kindly note that there are limited meeting rooms available. Should you be interested in a meeting room please reach out to escrs.sponex@mci-group.com

EXHIBITOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY EA EXHIBITIONS

The following exhibitor services can be ordered in the web shop <https://live.toddoo.com/event/WMESCRS2026>

Audio-Visual equipment	Graphics
Catering	Hostess & Security
Cleaning and Waste removal	Internet & Wi-Fi
Electricity	Lighting
Floor covering	Shell scheme packages, modular and custom stands
Furniture	Suspension Wires / Rigging

An exhibitors service desk operated by EA Exhibitions will be nearby the exhibition halls during the entire duration of build-up, dismantling and event.



CLEANING AND WASTE DISPOSAL

The organizers will arrange daily cleaning of the aisles outside the exhibition's opening hours. Trash in waste bins will be emptied after exhibition hours. However, responsibility for cleaning individual exhibits rests with the exhibitor.

Do not leave the booth and wall structures or decorations such as banners at the Messukeskus Convention Centre. After the event dismantling, your booth space must be clean and empty. Please take large waste and stand structures with you.

Alternatively, you can leave them at your booth, and we will charge for sorting and logistics.

Please note: Daily cleaning only includes cleaning after show day. Emptying bins 3x during a show day can be ordered via the web shop.

All materials left behind after 8 March, 22:00 without the authorization of the Exhibition Management will be considered abandoned and without value. Materials will be removed at the expense of the exhibitor, including all items attached to the shell scheme walls that have not been ordered through the portal.

For your convenience, waste removal services (e.g., for carpet, plastic, paper, or mixed waste) can also be ordered through our web shop. To avoid higher on-site fees, this service must be purchased before the shop's closing deadline of **22 FEBRUARY, 2026**.

ELECTRICITY

Included in your exhibition booking:

- Shell scheme stands (via EA Exhibitions): A main connection and power socket is included (3.6kW)
- Space only stands: **Electricity needs to be ordered via the webshop**
- The electricity distribution point **MUST BE** accessible.
- Please note that an electrical order is considered complete **ONLY** when accompanied by a corresponding grid form.

IMPORTANT:

- Electricity on stands is shut down about 30 minutes after exhibition closes. **24 hour sockets can be ordered separately if needed.**
- As the exhibition will take place in the Conference centre, electricity will be distributed by the venue from several points alongside the walls from the event space. In case aisle need to be crossed, rubber covers will be used for cabling*.
- If the stand installation does not meet the set requirements, it cannot be connected to the power grid within the venue. These requirements must be complied before power can be supplied to your stand. The electrical installation on your stand must comply with the standard EN 50 110 on operation of electrical installations.
- For safety reasons, connections to existing utilities may only be performed by the venue or its authorised service partners.
- The electrical supply will be switched off during dismantling.
- All exhibitors who do not want to appoint the venue responsible for an electrical distribution switchboard of the stand must request approval via EA Exhibitions. The costs of legalisation, carrying out the project and the necessary documentation shall always be charged to the exhibitor.
- Please take the location of the floor ducts in consideration when creating your electrical plan to avoid the taping of cables in the main aisles.
- All those wishing to bring external fuseboxes must test when installed. DS/EN 60364. (RCD test and visual control of electrical enclosure).
- Please note that it may occur that your neighbour switchboard is placed on your stand.

Grid form/electrical plan: Indicate on the [grid form](#) your preferred location of your electricity connections. Include your stand orientation and exact measurements to each outlet.

Deadline to submit your grid form: **29 JANUARY, 2026**

GRID FORM SUBMITTED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE.



*rubber cover for aisles

HEALTH & SAFETY AND PPE

- Exhibitors are responsible for ensuring that all activities are carried out with respect for fire safety and fire-prevention regulations.
- All exits and exit aisles must be kept clear and unobstructed. No furniture, signs, chairs or displays may protrude into aisles. Please note these aisles represent escape routes in the event of an emergency.
- Fire, hose cabinets, fire extinguishers, or any other fire safety equipment must not be hidden, obstructed or otherwise made inaccessible.
- Stand materials and furniture must comply with the European fire-protection grade, corresponding to D-s2,d2. You are not permitted to use materials in your stand design such as paper, cardboard, plastic, artificial flowers, etc which is easily ignitable or explosive, which can melt, drip, develop toxic gasses or produce excessive amounts of smoke. Such material must always be treated with a fireproofing agent, which closely follows the guidelines laid down by the manufacture.
- Fire-retardant materials must be approved by the venues Health and Safety Team. Approval or certificates must be available at the stand. Deviant building materials and props/decorations (e.g., cardboard, hay bales, wood chips, silk flowers, and peat) that do not meet the requirements must be fireproofed. Fireproofing is a one-time process and is only valid for the duration of the event.
- The use of plastics or expendable plastic materials for stand decorations or lettering is conditional upon presentation of certification proving that the requirements of flammability standard D-s2,d2 smoke emission standard Q1 and drop formation standard TR1 have been met.
- Storing empty packaging on the stand or behind the stand in separate areas is strictly prohibited. These must be stored outside or in the approved storage compartments or containers.
- Use of pyro is not possible in conference facilities.
- To carry out work inside the Messukeskus Conference Centre the personal protective equipment (PPE) needed for the activity to be carried out in each work position is recommended to be used.
- Workers will previously have been informed about the activity and the occasions when each PPE must be used, as well as about the hazards they are to be protected against. They will have been given theoretical and practical training in the use of the equipment by their respective company.
- During construction work, workers must wear safety footwear and protective gloves appropriately.
- Whenever there is the risk of falling items, materials, etc., or of contact with suspended equipment, a protective helmet must be used.
- Safety glasses or goggles and hearing protection must also be used for work when so required.
- If necessary, Conference services will issue a written warning to the operator, which may also be brought to the attention of the Helsinki Expo and Convention Centre Occupational Safety Manager



HOSTESSES

We offer two types of hostesses for the exhibition stand, satellites and meeting rooms:

- Hostess: to assist with welcoming, reception, tidying, re-stocking materials, light hospitality, general on-site assistance.
- Engager: more proactive role who can assist with proactive engagement, lead generation, assist with stand activities/creating a buzz around the activities, help with surveys etc., and general on-site assistance.

Hostesses can be booked for several time slots, with a minimum booking of 4 hours.

The quotation will include a stand badge for the hostess.

Please return the [Hostess request form](#) to wm.es CRS@eaexhibitions.com for a quotation by **29 JANUARY 2026**.



STAND SECURITY

Although every reasonable security precaution is taken throughout the build-up, open period and dismantling, show management cannot be held responsible for any loss, damage or accident which may occur to any exhibitors (or their contractors) property or personnel.

We strongly recommend that any small or attractive items are kept under constant supervision and removed each evening and that suitable insurance cover is arranged for your stand.

You can order stand security to secure your valuable items - during build-up, show days and dismantling. Please return the [Security request form](#) to wm.es CRS@eaexhibitions.com by **29 JANUARY 2026**.



INTERNET AND WI-FI

A general Wi-Fi network will be available in all public areas during the entire duration of the event.

To ensure the highest capacity and accessibility for services (i.e. business applications), a fixed network connection is only allowed.

Please note, that orders for Fixed internet are only considered complete when accompanied by a [grid form](#). Deadline for grid forms is **29 JANUARY 2026**.

STAND PACKAGES

Basic shell scheme

Spaces are booked as raw space only. All stands must have at least partition walls and floor covering. We offer various stand packages. You can order your stand package in the web shop.

A basic shell scheme package can be ordered up to 24sqm.

The package includes:

- Shell scheme construction
- Fascia with company name and stand number (max 20 characters)*
- Sustainable carpet (Grey)
- Spotlight (1 unit every 3 sqm)
- Electrical Socket 16A 230V, 3.6 kW
- Initial and daily stand cleaning
- Waste bin



Additional items such as furniture, fascia logo's, plants and printed walls can be ordered in our web shop! We offer a wide variety of items and branding options that can enhance the look & feel of your standard stand package.

Please remove all stand materials and adhesive residues from your stand during dismantling hours. Failure to do so will result in charges, for which the exhibitor will be solely responsible.

Please note that, depending on the location of the nearest electrical source, a distribution box may be mounted on your shell scheme wall.

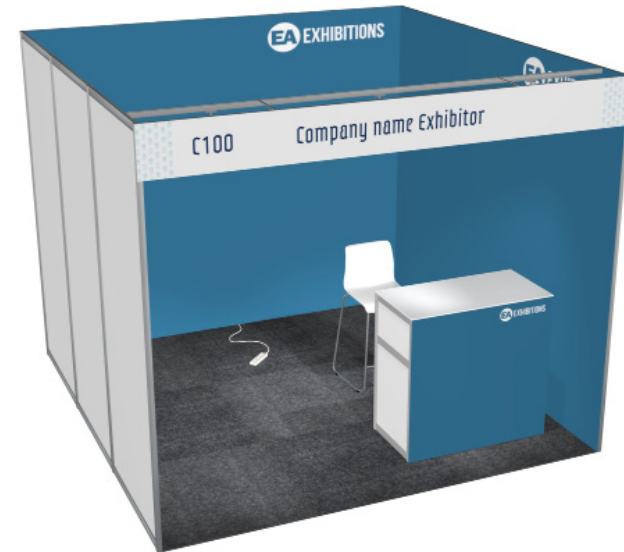


STAND PACKAGES

Deluxe shell scheme

A deluxe shell scheme package includes:

- Shell scheme construction
- Fascia with company name and stand number (max 20 characters)
- Seamless graphics on all walls
- Sustainable carpet (grey)
- Spotlight (1 unit every 3sqm)
- Electrical Socket 16A 230V, 3.6 kW
- Counter with your company logo
- 1 bar stool
- Initial and daily stand cleaning



Price depends on stand type and size.

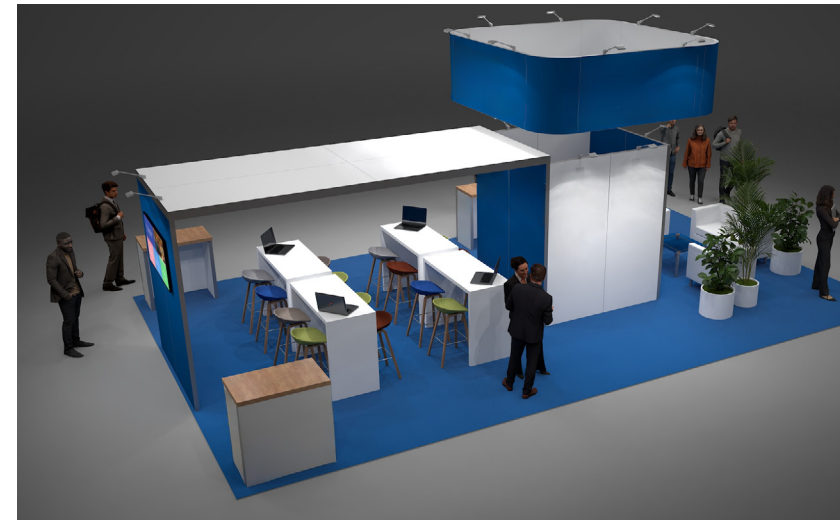
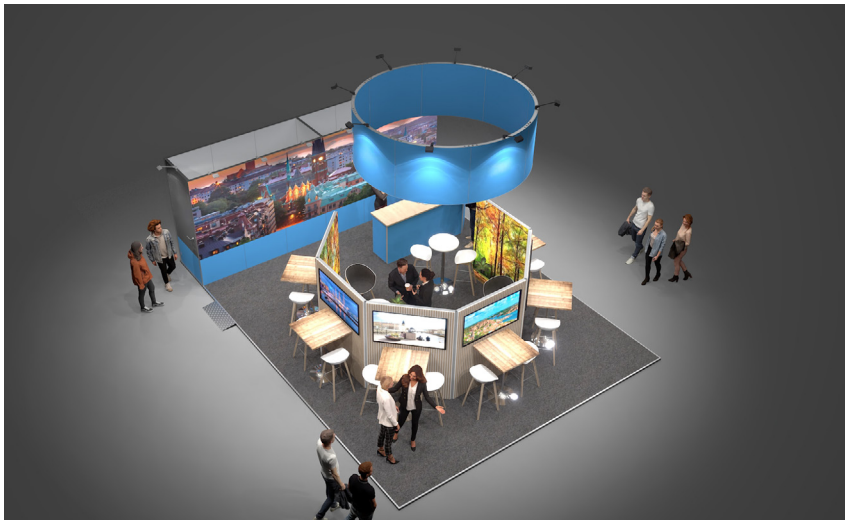
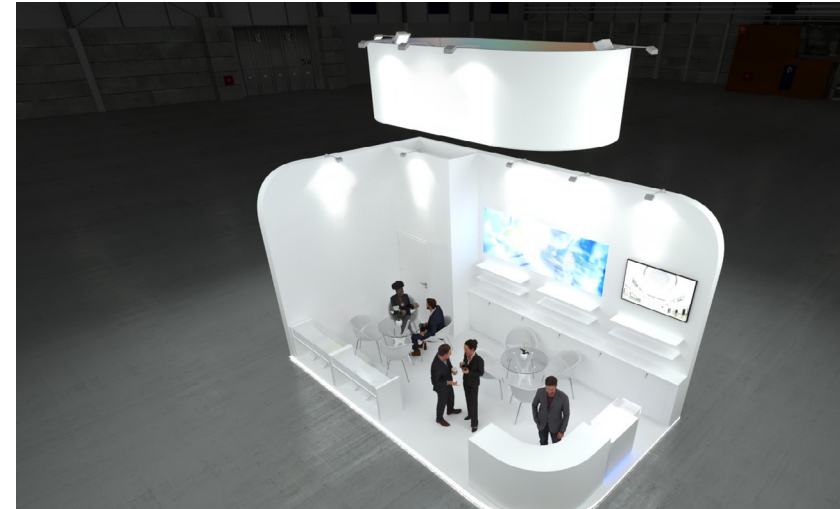
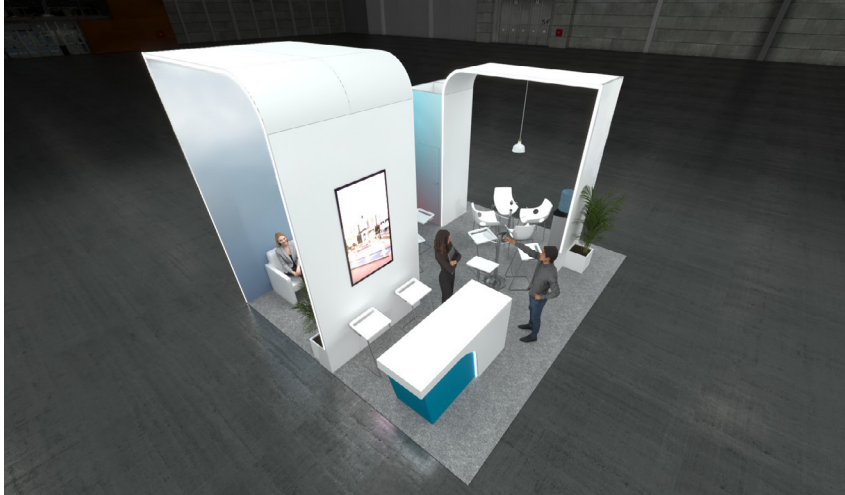
The deluxe shell scheme packages comes without any furniture. There are furniture packages available in the web shop.

Please note that, depending on the location of the nearest electrical source, a distribution box may be mounted on your shell scheme wall.

CUSTOMS STAND DESIGNS

Would you be interested in captivating the attention of all attendees at your exhibition stand? We can help you to transform your ideas into an unforgettable design!

Fill in the [online form](#) and find out what we can create for you. Together with our local supplier, we aim to design a personalised, beautiful and sustainable alternative for your company which will contribute to realise all your goals during ESCRS Winter Meeting. The size of the stand does not matter; from 9 sqm to large exhibits, we are more than happy to submit a proposal! Contact wm.escrs@eaexhibitions.com for more information or a personalised quotation. Deadline for requests: **22 JANUARY 2026**.





RIGGING / SUSPENSION WIRES

Rigging order requirements

EA Exhibitions is responsible for the safety of all hanging items, rigging and connections to the building structure. Therefore the establishment of all rigging points and wiring may only be performed by authorised staff of the venue and its official rigging partner.

The venue calculates rigging weight capacity based on all hanging elements in the hall, including neighbouring stands.

- The deadline to request rigging and/or submit your technical rigging plan is **29 JANUARY 2026**
- As the exhibition will take place in the Conference Centre, rigging is limited and only available on request.
- Rigging is only optional in the spaces Valo and Säde. Please note building height is 2.5m.

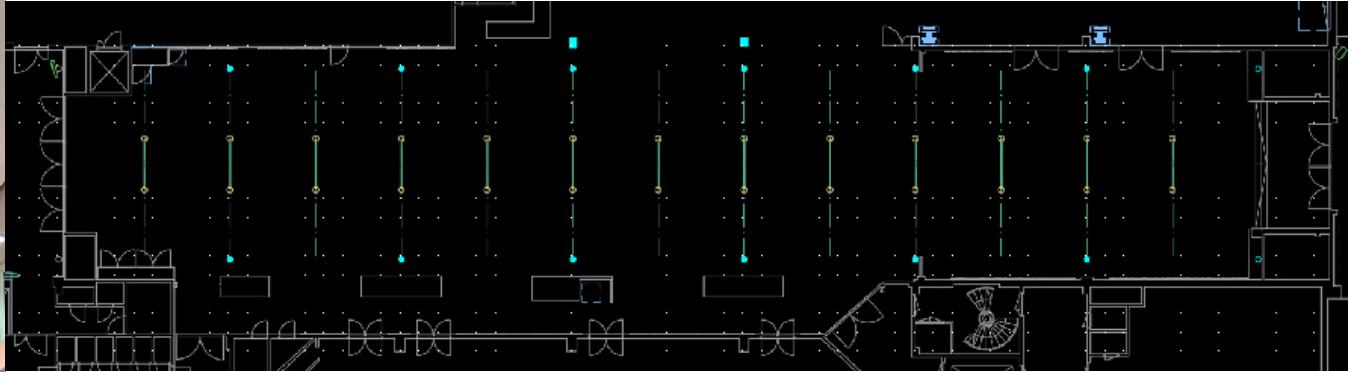
Regulations

- Rigging weights per point are limited, and availability will be determined on a **FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS** once all required information has been received.
- Rigging points are custom made. Due to glass ceiling, availability only at tension rods marked in drawing.
- It is important that the gap between the rigging/suspended banner and the walls/elements on the floor is a minimum of 1 meter.
- The outermost part of your rigging must be positioned at least 1 meter from your neighbors allocated space.
- The minimum distance permitted between rigging points for hanging elements is 1 meter.
- Rigging is possible only in cross sections of the tension rods. Each plan will be checked on a case-by-case basis and rigging possibilities will then be confirmed.
- Rigging points shall not bear a load exceeding 250 kg per point to ensure the structural stability of the ceiling [including truss, structure, safety steel, spotlights, banners, manual chain hoist or electrical chain hoist]. If Bridling is required the weight of each point will be reduced. Bridling is not allowed between rigging points placed on adjacent beams. Load should be calculated according to the latest Eurocodes.
- Each rigging request is evaluated individually, considering the unique structural elements in the roof, such as ventilation.

There may be cases where columns or other infrastructure in the hall would require pre-rigging, or the request cannot be accommodated at all in your space. The venue reserves the right to make minor adjustments and/or do suggestions in order to enhance your rigging order.

- Rigging may only be ordered via EA Exhibitions. You can access the online form to request rigging here [Rigging Request form](#). Any relocation of installation etc. either on late notice or on-site will be invoiced directly to the exhibitor.

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WATER

Water supply to stands is not available at Messukeskus Conference Centre.

GAS

Gas supply to stands is not available at Messukeskus Conference Centre.

EXHIBITION REGULATIONS

COMPANY NETWORKING EVENTS

Social networking is an important part of the congress itself. It creates the opportunity for participants to meet outside of the busy scientific programme of the congress. Such events should take place outside of the official programme hours and are subject to approval of ESCRS - please send any requests to escrs.sponex@mci-group.com.

Transportation to networking events must not depart until the end of the official programme hours. All organisational & financial matters pertaining to non-official ESCRS networking events are the responsibility of the participating company in charge of the networking event.

INDUSTRY COMPANY MEETING & EVENTS

It is strictly forbidden to hold company meetings and company events outside the congress venue during the official congress programme times. Non-compliance may affect the companies' participation at future ESCRS meetings. Company meetings can be held at the congress venue subject to available meeting spaces and their capacities.

PRODUCT DISPLAY

All products displayed during the exhibition should be approved under the European Medical Device Directives and should display the Certificate of Compliance CE (CE Certificate of Conformity) mark. Products which have not been assessed under these Directives, or are currently undergoing assessment, must be clearly identified as not being approved to display the CE mark.

Further information is available on the European Commission website: [link](#). Failure to comply with these regulations will result in refusal of permission to exhibit.

PRODUCT DISCLAIMER

The acceptance of a product or service for exhibition does not in any manner constitute an endorsement by ESCRS.

PRODUCT SALES

Direct sales are allowed on the exhibition floor. All companies participating in this event are solely liable and responsible for handling any onsite transactions in accordance with the laws and regulations of the host country. Companies must ensure that all transactions are declared appropriately and comply with local legal requirements. The event organizers are not responsible for any transactions conducted between companies and individuals.

STAND ACTIVITIES

“Meet the Expert” sessions and stand activities such as product presentations and demonstrations can take place on rented exhibition space. These type of stand activities should be submitted for validation to escrs.sponex@mci-group.com.

Please ensure you have enough space on your rented exhibition space to host the participants as it is strictly forbidden for them to block the aisles or neighboring stands.

LEGAL ISSUES

Each participating company is responsible for the material and information they make available at the congress. Companies and their mandated organisations should only present material and information which has been approved by their legal departments and which is in compliance with the legislation of the host country of the congress. The organisers will not intervene or arbitrate in case of any legal issues.

PHOTO AND FILM RECORDING

Taking videos and pictures of your stand and staff working during the event is permitted, however, please ensure that delegates and other exhibitors are not identifiable in your videos/photos unless you have explicitly asked for their consent.

Exhibitors are only permitted to take photographs of their own booth and displays. It is strictly forbidden to reproduce, draw, photograph or video products or displays owned by other Exhibitors without their prior written consent.

Use of video recording equipment within the venue is strictly forbidden unless written approval has been granted by the ESCRS Exhibition Department prior to the Congress. Please submit your request for validation to escrs.sponex@mci-group.com.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Sponsor/Exhibitor renounces to take recourse against the Organisers or against the owners of the premises and undertakes to underwrite insurance policies covering all the risks incurred by the company's local rules regarding travelling.

All Exhibitors are required to have Public / General Liability insurance with a minimum Limit of Indemnity of 2 Million Euro in aggregate in order to participate in the Congress and associated Exhibition.

The Exhibitor shall be liable for personal injury and damage to property caused by the Exhibitor, his or her servants or agents, or by his or her equipment and activities. All Risks cover against damage and theft to the Exhibitors own property, and also to property rented/leased by the Exhibitor, shall also be arranged by each Exhibitor. Cover shall also be arranged for injury to exhibitors own employees, where applicable.

Exhibitors shall ensure that any subcontractors engaged by them have similar and commercially reasonable insurances in place. It is the responsibility of each Exhibitor to ensure that they have the required insurance policies in place and the ESCRS is only responsible for damages arising from the wilful neglect of its permanent staff. Each Exhibitor is responsible for ensuring that they have the required level of insurance in place and that each external (non-venue) contractor engaged to provide services for their booth also have the required level of insurance cover in places for the duration of the exhibition buildup, open days and dismantle. All relevant documentation must be available for inspection on-site at the booth. In any case, the insurance protection will not be given to the exhibitors by the Organisers.

No responsibility can be accepted by ESCRS/MCI Suisse SA/EA Exhibitions/ Messukeskus Conference Centre or injury, loss of life, theft or damage to property.

GIVEAWAYS AND PRINTED MATERIAL

Giveaways and printed material may only be distributed in the space rented by the exhibitor in the exhibition hall, at their satellite symposia, in hospitality suites and/or meeting rooms rented by the exhibitor. No such material may be distributed in the rest of the congress center or any hotels used by ESCRS.

Companies may provide inexpensive educational items and/or gifts, in accordance with national laws, regulations and industry and professional codes of conduct of the country where the healthcare professional is licensed to practice. Contests, lotteries, raffles are subject to approval by ESCRS.

NOISE / LIGHTS

Exhibitors may not produce noise and/or use amplification of music and/or voice which may be heard outside the space assigned to the exhibitors, or which may interfere with or be felt objectionable to attendees or other exhibitors. The volume level must not exceed 70dB (A) at the boundaries of the stand. Illumination on the booth must remain within stand space and can not interfere with vision of neighboring stands or on the aisles. The organisers reserve the right to require exhibitors to discontinue any such activity. Live presentations at the stand are not permitted without prior approval from the organisers.

PARTITION WALLS

Every exhibitor should take care of their own partition walls directly bordering to neighbouring stands. Partition walls that are visible from the back side and walls that are higher than 2.50m should be clean and finished in solid white. It is not permitted to use (shell scheme) walls from neighbouring stands for your own purposes.

If we find the exhibitor is not adhering to this a verbal warning will be given to correct this and if not corrected, the organization can choose to correct this themselves. Any costs that will be made due to this will be charged to the exhibitor directly.

SAFETY & FIRE REGULATIONS

Sprinkler systems, fire alarms, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, mechanisms for closing exhibition hall doors and other pieces of safety equipment, including their signs or markings, shall be kept free from obstructions. Their operation must not be impaired and remain clearly visible and identifiable, and always remain fully functional.

- Escape routes shall always be kept clear.
- Emergency exits should not be obstructed, obscured, have anything hung over them, or otherwise be rendered unrecognisable.
- Aisles and walkways shall not be constricted by objects deposited herein or extending into them. All exhibits and furniture must remain within the allocated stand area. Items must not be placed in aisles.
- Based on the Finnish Rescue Act, a fine will be given to any individual who fails to exercise proper caution with regards to fire or flammable materials.

All exhibitors, as well as their personnel, are subject to the Emergency Activation plan.

STAND APPROVAL – SPACE ONLY

Space only stands contain raw space only.

Every space only stand design needs to be approved by EA Exhibitions before build-up. In order to approve your design, we need to receive:

- Technical drawings (floor plans, perspective views, sectioned views and top view).
- Building description specifying materials used and **Materials Certificate** issued by an official testing laboratory, product descriptions are not sufficient. Please see Safety guidelines below regarding the Certificates that are acceptable.

Submission of your stand plan is possible until **22 JANUARY 2026**. Please submit your stand approval request to wm.esccs@eaexhibitions.com.

General

- We aim to encourage the most effective use of island spaces (4 open/aisle sides). This means maintaining visibility and transparency throughout the exhibition by ensuring that your stand design allows for unobstructed views from aisle to aisle, while also keeping open-sided stands as accessible to exhibition traffic as possible.
- Stands must maintain a 50% visibility therefore it is not allowed to close off more than 50% of an open side (i.e. an open side of 3 meters may only be closed off with a wall of 1.5 meter maximum). The overall visibility of the stand will be considered during the approval process. (Visual 4)
- The construction of a double-decker stand is not permitted.
- Maximum construction height of the stands:

Valo	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Säde	4 meters maximum construction height	Rigging only available upon request
Kajo	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging
103	2.5 meters maximum construction height	No Rigging

- All stands shall be entirely self-supporting. Nothing can be hanged from the roof or be attached to walls of the venue.
- The usage of products containing organic solvents are strictly forbidden, such as contact adhesives, spray paint, paint with white spirits or thinners with solvents.
- All stands should consider wheel-chair accessibility to ensures accessibility and safety for all users, promoting inclusion and mobility- in building design.
- All stands must be designed and constructed as sustainable as possible (i.e. reusable materials).
- All stands with rigging structures must accomplish the rigging information detailed in this manual.
- All health and safety certificates must be made available for both onsite and ahead of congress.

COVERED STANDS

As the halls have an automatic sprinkler system, there are limits to how you can cover your stand.

The venue reserves the right to prohibit covering if it conflicts with the fire strategy in the hall. Therefore, you must inform EA Exhibitions about the type of covering, size and materials.

To apply for dispensation please email wm.escrs@eaexhibitions.com

FLOORING

- Floor covering is mandatory.
- Carpet can only be placed when using approved carpet tape. All tape must be removed at the end of the exhibition. Failure to do so will result in exhibitors being charged for its removal by the organisers.
- In case of a raised floor / platform, the stand contractor must confirm that the technical services are placed at the right location before setting up the platform. No complaints will be accepted nor refunds given in the case the stand contractor does not check it prior to set-up. New services will not be accepted or installed when the platform is set-up.
- Installations/Electrical ducts must be accessible.
- Wooden floors laid out as gratings with gaps and especially with cavities are not allowed.
- Raised floor is allowed up to 4cm. Anything higher requires a ramp. Please note the type of floor will be under review and might need hazard indication if the venue or organizer would require such.

SAFETY

Materials Certificates must be submitted to wm.escrs@eaexhibitions.com. The certificate must be issued by an official testing laboratory; product descriptions are not sufficient evidence of material classification.

Certificates according to other countries' standards are acceptable:

- o DIN4102 B2 (Germany) all materials
- o M2 (France) all materials
- o Class II (Sweden) all materials
- o Class I (UK and Wales)

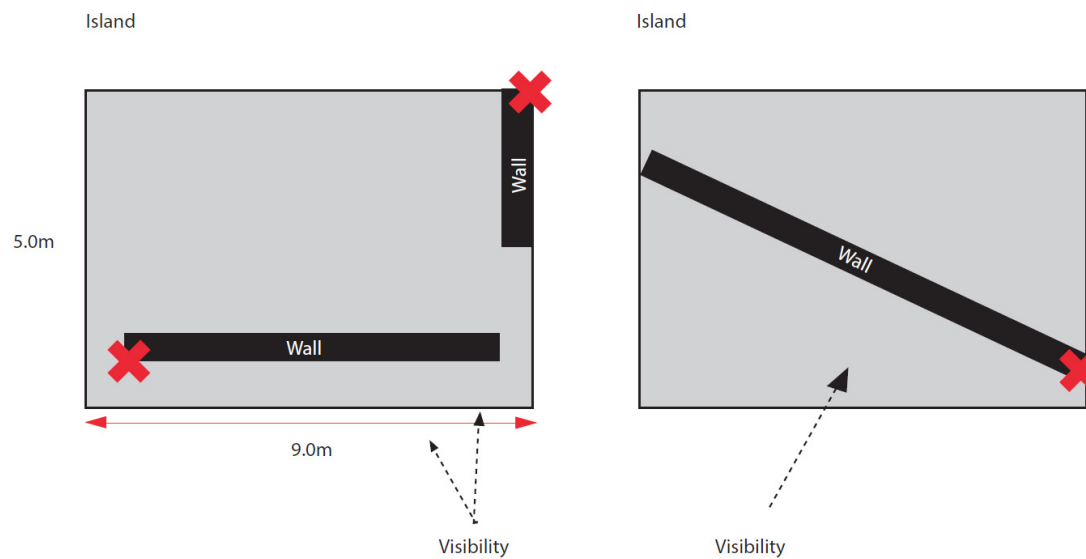
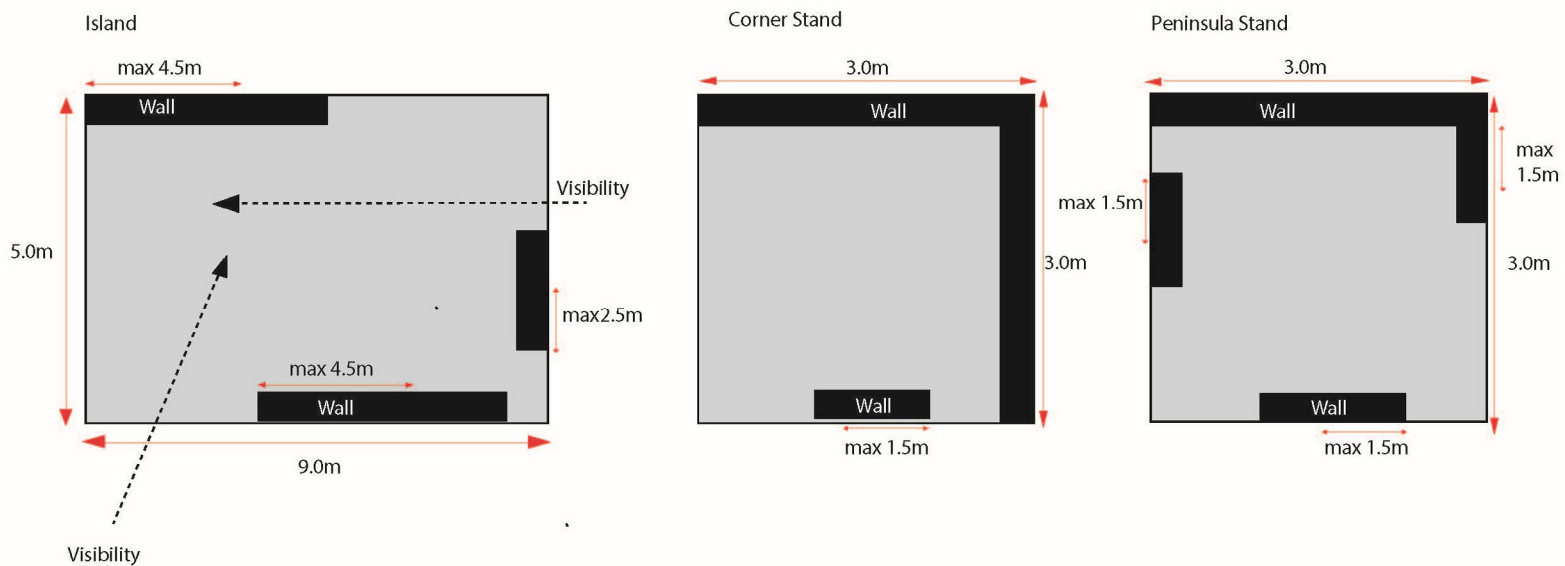
WALLING

Stands with 3 open sides or less are obliged to erect a wall (minimum height 2.50m) between themselves and any direct bordering stand(s):

- A row stand requires walls on three sides (one back wall and two side walls)
- A corner stand requires walls on two sides (one back wall and one side wall)
- A peninsula stand requires only one wall (one back wall).
- An island stand does not require any walls (please check the regulations regarding closing off sides).
- It is not allowed to use walls from neighbouring stands for your own purposes.
- Exhibitors and/or stand contractors are responsible to leave any face of a partition wall higher than 2.50 meters in a clean, solid white finish (no graphics or logo's).

TRANSPARENCY & VISIBILITY

- It is not allowed to close off more than 50% or 1/2 of an open side (i.e. an open side of 3 meters may only be closed off with a wall of 1.5 meter maximum). (See visual 5)
This applies to each open side!
- The design must be open and welcoming, and will not be approved if deemed to have a detrimental effect on neighbouring stands or the overall layout.

Visual 4 Top view – what is not allowed?**Visual 5** Top view – 50% Rule – Wall Visibility

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

Please find the Rules and Regulations of ESCRS Winter Meeting Helsinki 2026 under [downloads](#) in your dashboard.

Please find the General Rules & Regulations of the venue under [downloads](#) in your dashboard.

Please find the General Rules and Regulations of EA Exhibitions in the exhibitor portal under [downloads](#) in your dashboard.