



**21-22 FEBRUARY 2026**  
**KENT EVENT CENTRE**

**SELF BUILD | HOME DESIGN | RENOVATION | EXTENSION**

# **EXHIBITOR MANUAL**

**Shell Scheme Stands**

**Enhanced Shell Scheme Stands**

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## IMPORTANT EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Under Health & Safety Law (CDM 2015) we need, as the Event Organiser, to ensure you understand your obligations under this law. CDM stands for the Construction Design & Management Regulations 2015. For those of you who may be unfamiliar with CDM, the following website is a great resource and maps out exactly what your responsibilities are under this new law. Please click here [CDM resources - AEV](#) to access this information.

**Warning** - there are some fraudulent companies who contact exhibitors frequently, stating they are working on behalf of the Organiser. They may ask you for information or money. Unless they are listed in the manual above they are not working on Build It Live – please do not respond to them. In particular, two companies to watch out for are Fairguide and Expo-Guide – they may say they are producing the Show Guide. They are not, please ignore them. Also, please be aware of other companies that may contact you like hotel booking agencies, audio visual companies. You are, of course entitled to use your own suppliers, but please note

unless they are listed above we, as Organiser's, have not appointed them and therefore if you use them you do so at your own risk.

## ACCESS & TIMINGS

### Access Procedure

Everyone arriving on site for build up will need to register online and complete the Site Induction.

Please complete this by clicking in the link here: [SITE INDUCTION](#)

If completed before the event build up dates this will generate a code that will be sent out in advance of the event that you will need to show to gain access.

The Site Rules are included below. Please ensure you read and understand these and distribute to any team members or contractors coming to site.

### Site Rules

- Everyone must consider the safety of themselves and others at all times. Failure to comply with the site rules below will lead to eviction from the site
- Access to the site will only be granted on acknowledgement of the Site Rules
- On entry to the site please make yourselves aware of the location of your nearest escape route, fire extinguisher and emergency gangways
- Vehicle movement – caution is required at all times. Outside the hall pedestrians must give priority to moving vehicles and use designated pedestrian walkways where possible. Please observe the speed limit of 5mph around the hall area
- If bringing a vehicle into the hall care must be taken not to damage the carpet. You must drive in a straight line and reverse out in a straight line to avoid this. Stationery vehicles must have a drip tray
- Under no circumstances can dogs be on site
- Under no circumstances are children under the age of 16 allowed in the hall, or in the area around the hall, during build up and breakdown
- High visibility jackets must be worn by contractors whilst off-loading and loading vehicles in the loading areas and also if they are within areas where there is working at height
- Pedestrians should use the designated pedestrian entrance when entering and exiting the hall on foot. You will be guided by the site staff on site.
- Suitable footwear must be worn on site – as a minimum these must be flat, closed toe shoes. No flip flops or sandals will be permitted
- Appropriate and safe methods of working at height are required at all times and working at height should only be done if absolutely necessary. Any work above 2.5m high should be done via platforms, rather than ladders. Working at height equipment should comply with the HSE's Working at Height Guidelines. Harnesses should be used above 4m
- Hot work will be subject to a Hot Work Permit – please see the Organiser
- Late working will only be permitted by the Organiser and may not be available. Permission must be sought via the Organiser's Office and extra costs may be incurred. A full list of crew and tasks to be completed will need to be given. Additional crews may be needed if work is deemed excessive
- Dangerous working will result in an hour suspended from the workplace, repeat offenders will be removed from site
- Stands must not be dismantled until breakdown commences and visitors are clear of the hall
- Contractors and exhibitors must remove their waste from site
- Emergency gangways must be freight free and kept clear at all times
- All accidents and near misses must be reported to the Organiser
- Smoking, including e-cigarettes, is only allowed in designated smoking areas

## Contact Numbers

- Organiser's Office: 020 3553 2377
- First Aid: contact via the Organiser's Office who will contact First Aid on radio

## Locations

- Organiser's Office: at the rear of the Maidstone Hall
- First Aid: Contactable via the Organiser's Office
- Exits: all fire exits are clearly signposted with green 'Exit' signage
- Toilets: in the John Hendry Hall
- Access to Hot Water: from the wash basins in the toilets or from the Exhibitor Tea and Coffee Station
- Access to Drinking Water: from the Exhibitor Tea & Coffee station
- Access to Seating: in the Café area, a few seats are available in the Exhibitor Tea and Coffee Station
- Access to Catering Areas: in the catering outlets in the Hall, or when closed there is a petrol station with a shop and a Café 2 minutes' drive from The Kent Event Centre. There is also water, tea and coffee in the Exhibitor Tea and Coffee Station

## Timetable

Build-Up		
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	08.00 – 18.00	Space Only Stands
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	08.00 – 20.00	All Stands
Open Period		
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	10.00 – 17.00	
Hall open from 08.00 for all stands		
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	10.00 – 16.30	
Hall open from 09.00 – 20.00 for all stands		
Breakdown		
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	17.00 – 20.00	All Stands
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	08.00 – 12.00	Space Only Stands

If you are a Shell Scheme stand needing to collect items on Monday morning please ensure the shell scheme can be dismantled around your items, the items are collected by 10am, and you label the items clearly with a contact name and number in case we need to contact you.

**Please note that the hall will not open until 09.00 on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. This is different to previous years.**

Power to stands will be switched on once the connections and testing have been completed on the entire block. If you need power for build-up please speak to Havills in advance of the event to order temporary power.

Please note that stand power will be switched off 30 minutes after the show closes unless you have ordered temporary or 24 hour power from Havills.

Breakdown will only start once the visitors have left the hall. Please do not start packing away your stand until the show has closed and the visitors are clear of the hall.

You must remove all materials from your stand that belong to you, for example your own flooring, walling, literature and lighting. If you leave any excess waste (waste that does not fit into a bin liner) then you will be charged for its removal.

No children under the age of 16 will be allowed onsite during build-up and breakdown, including exhibitors' own children. Nor are they permitted to wait in vehicles in the car parks. No exception will be made to the rule.

## **Deliveries**

Please mark all packages for delivery with the following:

Build It Live  
Company Name and Stand Number  
The Kent Event Centre, Kent Showground  
Detling, Maidstone  
Kent  
ME14 3JF

You must be at the show to sign for all of your deliveries as we are unable to sign for anything. If you are not available to sign for your packages, the courier will either take them away for you to arrange redelivery or they will be left on your stand at your own risk.

If you need mechanical offloading or lifting of your goods please contact Showlite on [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or telephone 01264 365550.

On the Saturday you are only allowed to make deliveries between 08.00 and 09.30. On the Sunday it will be 09.00-09.30. Once the show is open no deliveries are permitted and traffic marshals will turn away any goods vehicles arriving after this time.

There are no trollies available on site. If you require use of a trolley we suggest you bring one with you. You are only able to use trolleys during build up and before the opening of the exhibition each morning and must be stored out of sight on your stand or off site during the open period. It is also your responsibility to ensure that all pallets are removed from the exhibition site as soon as the delivery has been made; if you do not do you will be charged for their removal.

## **Getting to the Kent Event Centre, Kent Showground**

### By Car

The Kent Event Centre is ideally suited for arrival by car. It is located on the A249, which is a dual carriageway. From the M20 Motorway, exit the motorway at junction 7 and follow signs to Sittingbourne and Sheerness A249. The Kent Showground is clearly marked and is approximately 2 miles from the Junction.

From the M2 Motorway, exit the motorway at junction 5 signposted Maidstone A249. The Kent Showground is approximately 5 miles.

The Kent Event Centre postcode is ME14 3JF.

### By Public Transport

By Bus – There is a limited bus service to the showground - Arriva route 333 [www.arrivabus.co.uk](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk), Tel: 01622 690 577.

By Rail - The nearest train station is Maidstone East. You can find the timetable at [www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk) or by calling 08457 48 49 50. The Channel Tunnel is within a 40 minute drive (35 miles). Ashford International is a 20 minute drive (20 miles).

By Air - Gatwick Airport is just 41 miles and a 45 minute drive away.

By Ferry - Dover is within a 45 minute drive and 38 miles away.

By Taxi - Streamline 01622 750000, Sapphire Cabs 01622 663000, Angels Express 01622 201020 - Driven by women for women.

### Parking

The Kent Event Centre has free parking for up to 30,000 vehicles. There is hard standing ground around all the exhibition halls with plenty of overflow parking within easy walking distance.

### **Important Loading Dimensions / Weight Loadings**

Access into The Kent Event Centre for off-loading and loading is straightforward and there are not many considerations that have to be made. However, below are a few measurements you may find useful:

#### Maidstone Exhibition Hall

Floor Loading: 3000kg per sqm

Goods Access: 5m (w) x 4.8m (h)

Roof Beams: 114kg per metre run

Height Limits: Generally, stands can build up to 4m anywhere in the Hall. However, there are some items hanging from the roof beams that fall below 4m. If you are beneath one of these you will be informed via the welcome email that accompanied the link to this Exhibitor Manual. If you are unsure then please check with [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk). Please show any proposed heights on your plan submission so we can check any restrictions thoroughly

#### John Hendry Hall

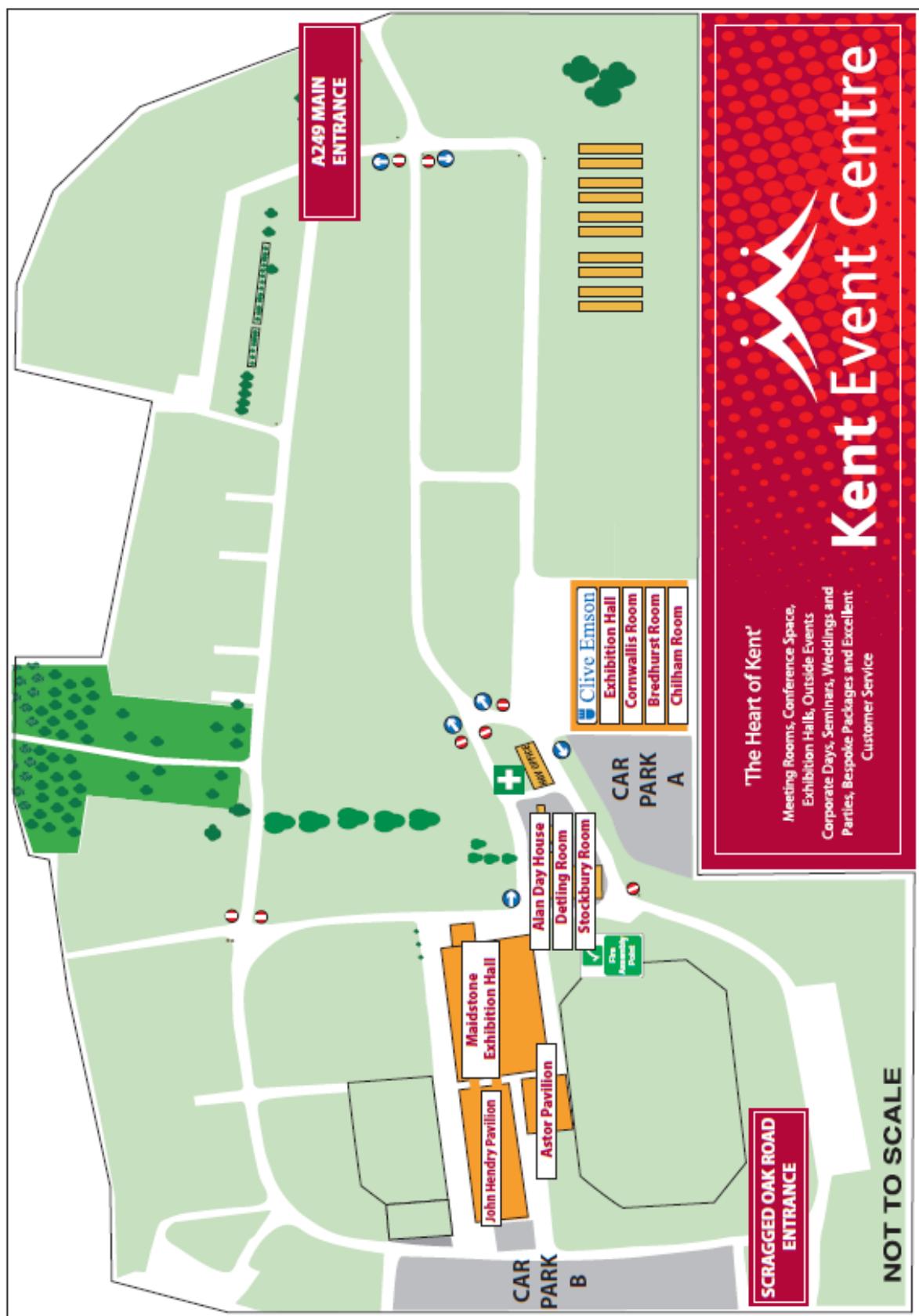
Floor Loading: n/a – this hall is solid concrete

Goods Access: 4.6m (w) x 2.8m (h)

Roof Beams: 114kg per metre run

Height Limits: The height limits in this hall vary throughout. Stands in the central blocks can build between 3m and 4m. Stands positioned on the perimeter can generally build to 2.5m, however there are a few stands that may have lower restrictions. If you are beneath one of these you will be informed via the welcome email that accompanied the link to this Exhibitor Manual. If you are unsure then please check with [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk). Please show any proposed heights on your plan submission so we can check any restrictions thoroughly.

## Useful Map



## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Accommodation**

There are a number of hotels in the surrounding area. Please following this link to the venue website to find a list: [Visiting - Kent Event Centre](#)

### **Audio Visual**

If you need any Audio Visual equipment, TVs, DVDs, iPads, PA systems etc, please contact the Audio Visual supplier, The Hire Pod, on 07958 363 793 or [info@thehirepod.co.uk](mailto:info@thehirepod.co.uk).

### **Badges & Passes**

During build-up and breakdown Exhibitors and Contractors will be required to wear a wristband. These will be issued on entry to the site on completion of the Site Induction.

Please complete this by clicking in the link here: [SITE INDUCTION](#)

During the show open period Exhibitor Passes should be worn. These can be collected from the Organiser's Office on arrival at the venue, or from security at the Exhibitor Entrance.

### **Balloons**

Exhibitors wishing to distribute balloons, or display balloons, must obtain the Organiser's permission. There are certain regulations with regards to helium use and storage. Please let us know if you plan to have balloons by completing the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link).

### **Cleaning**

Your stand will be cleaned overnight in preparation for each open day of the show.

During build-up and breakdown all stand fitting materials must be removed from site; only minimal waste will be removed by the show cleaners. If you need any assistance planning waste removal please contact [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk).

During the open period please leave any bags of rubbish in the gangways after the show closes for the cleaners to dispose of.

### **Code of Conduct**

All business, including the distribution of literature and promotional material, must be conducted from your stand. You are not permitted to hand out literature or attempt to generate business in any other part of the hall or venue.

### **Damage & Loss**

Neither the Organisers, the venue nor the sponsors accept any responsibility for damage or loss of any properties introduced by the exhibitors and/or their agents/contractors. Exhibitors are especially warned that the exhibits are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to whom they belong. Exhibitors should arrange their own insurance against all risks. The strongest possible precautions against theft should be taken at all times.

### **Dilapidations**

Please do not fix, screw or drill into the venue's existing walls or floors. Charges will also apply for paint spillage, abandoned carpet and failure to remove large items of rubbish.

## **Emergency Gangways**

Please note that ALL gangways must be kept clear at all times throughout build up and breakdown. All exhibitors and contractors on-site are responsible for keeping these gangways clear. Please ensure your contractors are aware of the emergency gangways.

## **First Aid**

The first aid point is located in the Organiser's Office and a medic will be walking around the show in the open period. In the event of an emergency, please contact a member of security or alert the organiser's office so that the medic can attend. If an ambulance is required please do not call 999 direct. It saves time in the long run to inform the organiser and venue so that the ambulance can be directed to a suitable location and ensure a swift path of access.

## **Floorplan**

You can view the floorplan by clicking on the links below:

[Floorplan](#)

## **Food & Drink – Sampling & Selling**

If you plan to have food and/or drink on your stand let us know via the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link). Please also read the Catering – Food and Alcohol section, section 10, of the [eGuide](#) for all the relevant information regarding distributing food and drink.

A selection of catering options for your stand can be ordered via the on-site caterer. To discuss your requirements direct please contact [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk) or 0203 553 2380, who will then put you in touch with the caterer.

## **Furniture**

Exhibitors can hire furniture from Xpect Furniture via our page on their website:

<https://www.xpectfurniture.co.uk/build-it-live-2026/> You can contact them on [sales@xpectfurniture.co.uk](mailto:sales@xpectfurniture.co.uk) or 01923 954875. There is also a form at the back of this manual.

## **Insurance**

It is a condition of your Booking Contract that you must have arranged adequate insurance to attend the show. Whilst on-site you must be able to prove, on demand, that you have a valid insurance policy with at least £2 million of Public Liability cover for the exhibition.

Castle Media recommends that you take out additional insurance to cover any cancellation or disruption to the show and any damage or loss to your property. Your current insurance broker may be able to provide such cover but there are specialist exhibitor policies available such as that sold by Hiscox at [www.exhibitor-insurance-online.com](http://www.exhibitor-insurance-online.com). Note: Castle Media is not recommending Hiscox or the suitability of any insurance policy.

## **Internet & IT Connections**

There is free WiFi throughout the venue for Exhibitors. The Exhibitor network is password protected and the password will be sent to you closer to the event in your Pre-Show Information.

Please note this WiFi is intended for general web browsing only, not for streaming video, or other things that take up a lot of bandwidth.

If you need a fixed line connection, isolated to your stand only, then please contact [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk) or telephone 020 3553 2380. The deadline for orders is 30<sup>th</sup> January.

## **Materials & Stand Dressing**

Exhibitors and Contractors must have test certificates for any materials that they intend to use in the construction of a stand. As a guide, artificial plants / flowers (except fire retardant silk flowers), flammable paints and fabric backdrops (unless treated) tend NOT to be permitted. You can find the full guidelines in the Stand Construction section 46 of the [eGuide](#). Please refer in particular to the Construction Materials section.

## **Marketing Your Stand**

As an exhibitor at Build It Live you have access to a variety of free tools to help market your presence at the show. It is proven that the more proactive you are, the more successful exhibiting will be for your company and that's why we are here to help you!

Each exhibitor receives the following as part of their exhibitor's package:

- A dedicated online profile within Build It Live's exhibitor directory
- Free tickets for your (potential) customers
- Web banners with free ticket offer link
- A 50-word profile plus contact details in the printed show catalogue

Also, if you have new product news, a recent case study (preferably with photos) or news of something interesting happening on your stand, we'd be delighted to hear from you. All of this information goes towards us having a content rich visitor promotion, which will encourage more self-builders to visit the show and make it a success for all of us!

For more details please visit <https://builditlive.co.uk/exhibitor-marketing-tools> or email the Marketing Team at [BuildItLive@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:BuildItLive@castlemmedia.co.uk) or call on 0203 553 2376.

## **Music**

If you are planning on playing music on your stand please state so on the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link).

A PPL Licence and PRS licence is required for all exhibitors using 'Sound Recordings' (i.e. CD's, tapes, DVD's, MP3 tracks). The PPL collects royalties on behalf of the record label. The PRS collects royalties on behalf of the composer, writer. The licenses will be obtained on your behalf by us and invoiced back to you at a cost of around £50 per day. For more information please contact [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk).

## **Lifting Services**

To order lifting or freight forwarding services please contact Showlite. To discuss your requirements direct please email [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or call 01264 365550.

## **Organiser's Office**

The Organiser's Office is located in the Astor Pavilion. The office will be open for the full duration of the show including build-up and breakdown.

## **Rigging**

If you wish to rig a banner, or an element of your stand, please let us know on the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link) or contact [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk). All rigging must be undertaken by our appointed Rigging Contractor and costs will be paid by the Exhibitor.

## **Security**

Although every reasonable precaution is taken and the hall is patrolled day and night, exhibition halls are vulnerable places and the Organisers can accept no responsibility for any loss or damage which may occur to your staff or property from any cause. Please consider these security tips when planning your stand:

- Make contact with the event security company for advice on how secure any vulnerable / valuable items
- Do not leave your items unattended at any time during build-up, the open period or breakdown. Do not leave the venue until all visitors have gone each evening.
- Think about how you position desirable items, especially where you may not be able to keep an eye on them
- Always secure desirable and vulnerable items. Typically these are plasma screens, lap tops, mobile phones and handbags
- Ensure you have enough staff so that your area is not vulnerable to thieves and do not ask anyone else to watch over your property while you go for a break. They may become busy and not be able to keep an eye on it
- Remove all portable items of value each evening where possible, especially on the show close evening. Do not leave them until the following day for collection
- Arrive in time for the show opening each day. Ensure your stand is staffed at least 15 minutes before show open but remember the halls open each day at 08.00 for maintenance and re-stocking
- Use a lockable cabinet to store your personal possessions during the show open hours.
- Ensure your insurance arrangements cover you for exhibitions.

If you are a victim of theft please report the matter immediately to the show security company.

### **Special Treatments**

Any exhibitor intending to carry out treatments on the public are required to inform the Operations Team via the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link) so that the appropriate license can be obtained from the Local Authority on your behalf - without a license you will not be permitted to carry out these activities at the show. Applicable treatments include:

- Massage: Reflexology, Aromatherapy, Shiatsu, Swedish, G5, Sports Massage
- Water: Sauna, Steam, Spa, Colonics, Floatation, Was / Mud Baths, Body Wraps
- Light: Sunbed, Solarium, Laser, Infra-Red

Further information on this can be found in the Special Treatments section 45 of the [eGuide](#).

### **Storage**

There is limited storage at the venue, however we will do our best to accommodate. Please contact [operations@castlemcia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemcia.co.uk) to discuss your requirements.

### **Vehicles in the Hall**

If you plan to exhibit a vehicle of any kind, including trailers, caravans etc. you must let us know via the [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link). Access will need to be planned carefully and locations decided upon depending on weight loadings, available access doors etc. The full guidance on vehicle exhibits can be found in the Vehicles section 50 of the [eGuide](#).

### **Waste Disposal**

Anything that would not normally go in a black bin bag is classed as 'unreasonable waste' and will need to be removed from site by yourself or your contractor, or arrangements made with the venue. For further information please contact [operations@castlemcia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemcia.co.uk).

All of your own waste must be removed from your stand space before you leave the site. If you do not do so a penalty charge will be passed on in order to remove the waste responsibly.

### **Water & Waste**

If you need mains water on your stand please contact [operations@castlemcia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemcia.co.uk) or telephone 020 3553 2380. This is not available in all areas of the halls. The deadline for orders is 30<sup>th</sup> January.

## YOUR SHELL SCHEME STAND

If you have booked a Shell Scheme we provide you with a stand that consists of walls, nameboard and carpet.

If you have booked an Enhanced Shell Scheme we provide you with a stand that consists of walls, nameboard, carpet, power socket and lighting.

Please see below for further details.

If you are unsure of what you have booked please refer to your booking confirmation, or contact Sarah Nesbitt-Hawes on [sarah.nesbitt-hawes@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:sarah.nesbitt-hawes@castlemedia.co.uk).

### Stand Build

Your stand will be built from a modular system, using a framework and panels. It will include walls, nameboard and carpet.

Please be aware that the system has a minimal ceiling grid. Showlite will place limited ceiling beams on stands, which offers stand stability and to which lighting can be attached. If you have specific requirements regarding your display please contact them on [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or 01264 365550.

Below is a picture of a sample stand, you can see all dimensions you need to provide displays and graphics.

If you have any queries regarding dimensions within the stands please contact Showlite.

**8 SIDED 40MM**

## Shell specifications

### 8 sided 40mm | Full Fascia

White powder coated aluminium shell scheme system. Supplied with White 3mm thick PVC foamboard infill walls.

**Wall panel sizes**

Nominal size	True size (mm)	Visible Size (mm)
1 metre panel	970 x 2354	950 x 2340
1/2 metre panel	475 x 2354	455 x 2340
Low height panel	970 x 754	950 x 740

**POST SPECIFICATIONS**

**BEAM SPECIFICATIONS**

Why not let us print, deliver, install & remove your graphics for you?  
Call us for more info!  
01264 365 550

## **Carpet**

Please note that The Kent Event Centre is a carpeted venue so there will be grey carpet on your floor space that cannot be lifted. If you would like to lay your own carpet you must lay floor flats underneath the carpet, as carpet cannot be directly laid on top of carpet.

If you would like to lay a different colour carpet we would recommend you use Showlite by 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

Please order using the [Showlite Exhibitor Shop](#).

To discuss requirements please contact Showlite on [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or call 01264 365550.

## **Electrics**

Basic shell scheme stands do not get any electrics.

If you require any electrics you must order through Havills by 5<sup>th</sup> February. Please use the form at the back of this manual. To discuss requirements please contact Havills on [info@havillexhibitions.co.uk](mailto:info@havillexhibitions.co.uk) or 01803 314 000.

Enhanced Shell Scheme stands are provided with an electrical package. This consists of:

- 1 x 500w socket per stand
- 1 x spotlight per full 5sqm of stand space

**YOU HAVE THE OPTION TO SWITCH YOUR SPOTLIGHTS TO AN LED BATON** – please contact [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk) to arrange this.

If you have a particular preference for where you would like the socket or lights positioned please contact Havills on [info@havillexhibitions.co.uk](mailto:info@havillexhibitions.co.uk) or 01803 314 000.

If you are a company looking to exhibit a battery powered product (as said product is what you are selling / exhibiting) you must declare this to Operations Manager on [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk) at least 10 working days before the exhibition. A special risk assessment will be required including details of precautions to avoid back-feeding of battery power into the mains. You will also need to pay our electrical contractors Havills to install an earth bond to their mains board. On-site you will need to demonstrate to Havills and Castle Media's appointed Safety Manager how to isolate the batteries in an emergency. All batteries used must have a clear CE or UKCA label or they may not be used inside the exhibition hall. Following the inspection by Havills no alterations must be made without prior agreement with the on-site electrician from Havills. Please note that the use of batteries to power lighting as an alternative to ordering a power socket is prohibited as these batteries are not subject to rigorous testing. For clarity laptops, tablets and phones are safe to use and do not require extra testing/bonding.

For full guidance of Electrics please see the Electrical section 16 of the [eGuide](#).

## **Nameboard**

A nameboard will be hung on all open sides over 1m in length, on stands that are over 5sqm. Stands 5sqm or less will receive one nameboard.

Please specify what you would like written on your nameboard with Showlite by 23<sup>rd</sup> January. You can do this via this form here: [Nameboard Form](#)

## **Recommended Fixing Methods**

We recommend using male/female Velcro tape, blue tac or other removable adhesive. It is your responsibility to remove any fixings from panels during breakdown before you leave.

Please note that you must not glue, paint, staple, screw, nail or pin anything to the stand walls or stick anything to the framework. Exhibitors must not use the ceiling grid system to hang any items. Any damage caused to

panels or metalwork will be charged back to yourself directly. Should you wish to hang heavier items to your shell scheme stand please contact Showlite on [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or call 01264 365550.

Shell Scheme stands are not designed to carry significant loads. Panels can be reinforced with cladding to take greater loads but this is at an additional cost and must be arranged in advance through Showlite.

- Full graphics to clad Shell Scheme
- Lockable doors
- Curtained entrance with curtain
- Shelves
- Hanging rails
- Hanging mirrors

You can order any of the above or bespoke items not included above through Showlite by 11th August. Please order using the forms at the back of this manual.

### **Shell Scheme Interiors**

If you are constructing an interior to your Shell Scheme stand please let us know by contacting [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk). You would need to follow the guidelines of Space Only Stands, like completing a Construction Phase Plan, Risk Assessment, Method Statement and submitting Stand Plans. We can send you further guidance on this.

### **Shell Scheme Enhancements**

There are many ways to enhance your presence at the show using your shell scheme stand. Showlite offer a shell scheme enhancement service. Please see the brochure at the back of this manual. Please contact Showlite on [exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk](mailto:exhibitorsales@showlite.co.uk) or call 01264 365550.

## HEALTH & SAFETY

### Responsibilities

As an employer your company have a legal duty of care for the safety of anyone who may be affected by its activities. You are ultimately responsible for all aspects of safety on your stand during the build-up, open period and breakdown. If you hire contractors to build or set up your stand you are still vicariously responsible for their activities.

Managing Health & Safety can be quite a daunting task, however we aim to simplify this process for you. There is an overview of Health & Safety responsibilities and successful management processes in the [eGuide](#). The sections to take heed of are:

- Risk Assessment – section 38
- Health & Safety Responsibilities – section 24

To meet your responsibilities to participate at this event you must submit the following information:

- [Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link)
- [Risk Assessment Form](#) (please click on the link)

Both of the above must be submitted to [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk) by 30<sup>th</sup> January.

For those Exhibitors who are exhibiting at more than one Build It Live, it is now possible to submit one Stand Information Form and Risk Assessment to cover all of the Build It Live events. You will need to ensure you still assess risk at each venue / location and make it clear on your submission that you have done this. If you need any help with this please see the templates or contact [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk).

### Health & Safety Dos and Don'ts

- Accidents – please report all accidents and near misses to the Organiser's Office
- Alcohol & Drugs - any person found to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave the site immediately.
- Batteries – the use of batteries to power lighting as an alternative to ordering a power socket is prohibited as these batteries are not subject to rigorous testing. If you are a company looking to exhibit a battery powered product (as said product is what you are selling / exhibiting) you must declare this to Operations Manager on [operations@castlemedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk) at least 10 working days before the exhibition. A special risk assessment will be required including details of precautions to avoid back-feeding of battery power into the mains. You will also need to pay our electrical contractors Havills to install an earth bond to their mains board. On-site you will need to demonstrate to Havills and Castle Media's appointed Safety Manager how to isolate the batteries in an emergency. All batteries used must have a clear CE or UKCA label or they may not be used inside the exhibition hall. Following the inspection by Havills no alterations must be made without prior agreement with the on-site electrician from Havills. For clarity laptops, tablets and phones are safe to use and do not require extra testing/bonding.
- Disabled Access (The Equality Act 2010) - please ensure your stand is easily accessible to all visitors. Disabled persons must be provided with the same service that is provided to others and it is unlawful to not make a reasonable adjustment for a disabled person
- Electrics - don't mess with your electrics! All electrical installation work must be undertaken by the official electrical contractor unless it has been pre-fabricated off site
- Fire & Emergency Procedures- read the Fire & Emergency procedures that are distributed within the pre-event information approximately 2 weeks before the event
- Fire Extinguishers - we provide extinguishers based on the number required by the fire officer, don't move them & let us know if you require a specific type of fire extinguisher
- Food Safety - if you plan to have food or drink on your stand let us know

- Ladders - use the right ladder for the job, fix at a 1:4 angle – be aware of the Working at Height Regulations, see [eGuide](#), section 57.
- Manual handling - think before lifting. Stand as near to the object as possible, bend your knees, keep back straight, grasp the load firmly, lift with your legs, hold the load closely to the centre of your body
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - wear a hi-vis vest in the loading areas or if you are working in areas where there is lifting activity or working at height. Wear the right clothes & shoes for what you are doing and the environment you are in
- Rubbish - don't keep it stored on your stand – it's a fire hazard. Contact the Organiser's Office for disposal
- Staff - make sure your staff is briefed properly about the risks to be aware of
- Vehicle movement - be careful when you arrive & are unloading – there are traffic marshals to assist you
- Weird & wonderful features - contact the Organiser on [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk) if you are having a water feature, massage, any special effects, anything that causes excessive heat or light, animals or children
- Young persons - under 16s are NOT permitted during build up and breakdown, nor can they remain in your vehicle

#### **Stand Information Form**

[Stand Information Form](#) (please click on the link)

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This form should be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> January.

#### **Risk Assessment**

[Risk Assessment Form](#) (please click on the link)

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Risk Assessments can often seem daunting but may not need to be as complex as you think.

For guidance on this please see our tips below or visit [CDM resources - AEV](#) or contact [operations@castlemmedia.co.uk](mailto:operations@castlemmedia.co.uk).

Time - split the event into parts

- Build up
- Open days
- Breakdown

Who - think about who is affected by your stand / activities

- Your staff
- Your contractors

- Your visitors to the stand
- Neighbouring stands

Hazards - think about what hazards could be involved to people at the times above

- Build up – vehicles moving around the halls, lifting boxes, trip hazards, working at height, electrics, stand build etc.
- Open days – tiredness, influence of alcohol, trip hazards, flashing lights, layout of stand etc.
- Breakdown – similar hazards to build up but may be worth considering the risks of wanting to get home speedily i.e. rushing, everyone else rushing etc.

Evaluation - evaluate the risks

- Can the hazard be removed completely or done in a different way?
- If the risk cannot be eliminated, can it be controlled?
- Can protective measures be taken that will protect the entire workforce on site?

Risk assessment

- Write all the above down
- Pass on information about significant risks to those people identified
- Record what measures you have taken to control these risks.

Review - review during and after

- Try to assess as you go along
- Anything that you change onsite can be added in for your next event



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### ELECTRICAL EXTRAS ORDER FORM

ORDER & PAYMENT TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN **5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026** TO AVOID A 20% SURCHARGE

#### COMPULSORY MAINS SUPPLY FOR SPACE ONLY STANDS

DESCRIPTION	COST	QUANTITY	TOTAL CHARGE
16 Amp Single Phase Mains (not 24hr)	£260.00		£
32 Amp Single Phase Mains (not 24hr)	£385.35		£
63 Amp Single Phase Mains (not 24hr)	£772.90		£
32 Amp Three Phase Mains (not 24hr)	£809.10		£
63 Amp Three Phase Mains (not 24hr)	£1482.25		£

#### PLEASE NOTE

SPACE ONLY STANDS - Please ensure you order mains supply above as well as additional electrical point below. \*If carrying out your own installation you will need to pay for a 'Connection to your own distribution board'. These fees cover works carried out by us to connect your distribution board to the mains supply and test and inspect ALL independent installations, record all readings and advise on any works deemed necessary to ensure that ALL installations comply as required by the venue before the event can go live.

Space Only Stands on a Shell Scheme Block Contribution to Mains	£50.00		£
If you are a space only stand situated on a block of shell scheme stands, you will need to add the contribution to mains to your order instead of a compulsory main above. This allows for the mains supply to be upgraded to feed your stand, as well as continue to power the shell stands on your block. If you are unsure of your stand location, please contact <a href="mailto:operations@castlemedia.co.uk">operations@castlemedia.co.uk</a>			

#### FOR SHELL SCHEME & ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR SPACE ONLY

5ft LED Strip Light	£95.70		£
1m Track (for spotlights)	£56.85		£
100-Watt Spotlight (for track)	£18.75		£
Long Arm Spotlight	£65.55		£
Single 500-Watt Socket	£90.40		£
Single 1000-Watt Socket	£114.10		£
Single 2000-Watt Socket	£128.65		£
Single 3000-Watt Socket	£144.20		£
Connection to Client's Own Equipment/ Distribution Board*	£78.75		£
Surcharge to island sites/ if there is no power to block	£94.50		£

#### Batteries

If you are a company looking to exhibit a battery powered product (as said product is what you are selling / exhibiting) you must declare this to Operation Manager, Maggie Swain, at least 10 working days before the exhibition. A special risk assessment will be required including details of precautions to avoid back-feeding of battery power into the mains. You will also need to pay our electrical contractors Havills to install an earth bond to their mains board. On-site you will need to demonstrate to Havills and Castle Media's appointed Safety Manager how to isolate the batteries in an emergency. All batteries used must have a clear CE or UKCA label or they may not be used inside the exhibition hall. Following the inspection by Havills no alterations must be made without prior agreement with the on-site electrician from Havills. Please note that the use of batteries to power lighting as an alternative to ordering a power socket is prohibited as these batteries are not subject to rigorous testing. For clarity laptops, tablets and phones are safe to use and do not require extra testing/bonding.

Battery - earth bond to mains bond installation	£100.00		£
25% Surcharge for battery earth bond if not pre-arranged	£125.00		£

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SUB TOTAL	£
VAT	£
<b>TOTAL</b>	£

Please return your completed form to [info@havillexhibitions.co.uk](mailto:info@havillexhibitions.co.uk) (PDF or WORD format)

\*Please note the order and payment deadline dates as specified above to avoid surcharges.

PLEASE SPECIFY METHOD OF PAYMENT:	BACS:	CREDIT CARD:
COMPANY:	PO. NO:	STAND NO:
ADDRESS:		
CONTACT NAME:		
TEL NO:	MOBILE:	
EMAIL:		
ORDER AUTHORISED BY:	DATE:	

**NB.** Please note that as standard sockets are attached to the shell walling of your stand & the lighting to the rear of the fascia.

If you require lighting within the stand a lighting bar may be required. Please contact us for further advice.

You will need to make special arrangements for space only stands.

If you require your electrical points to be positions elsewhere than stated above on your stand, please send a rough drawing/ diagram showing their required locations on your stand in with this order form prior to the order deadline date.

#### TYPICAL LOADING SUGGESTIONS

Spotlights – 100w to 300w / 0.42 to 1.26amps      Computers/Refrigerators – 250w to 500w / 1.05 to 2.10amps  
 Photocopiers – 2000w to 3000w / 8.4 to 12.6amps      Kettles/Coffee Machines – 3000w / 12.6amps

#### TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY & FITTINGS ON HIRE

1. Supply 230 volts single phase, 400 volts three-phase 50 cycles alternating current (AC).
2. The charges detailed on the price list include for the supply ON HIRE and installation from the electricity power supply, a proportion of the necessary mains cable, overhead/underground network, switch fuse and control gear, together with all necessary circuit wiring and fittings and for taking down and removing at the close of show and standby.
3. ALL SUPPLIES will be TURNED OFF AT NIGHT. Should 24hr supply be required you must contact us to arrange before the order deadline date shown OR follow instructions given on the order form.
4. The electrical supply will be terminated at the nearest point on the stand to the distribution board. Exhibitors requiring a different termination point should give details on a separate sheet and attach it to the application.
5. It is strictly understood that ONE item of equipment only is to be connected to each point. THE USE OF ADAPTORS IS PROHIBITED.
6. Exhibitors will be held responsible for any materials, etc, which are damaged or missing at the end of the show AND IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR TO ENSURE THAT EQUIPMENT IS RETURNED IN GOOD ORDER.
7. Applications for the supply must be received by us NOT LATER THAN THE DATE SHOWN ON THE ORDER FORM ABOVE, after which date no guarantee will be given that the work will be carried out, but if it is carried out the cost will be as price list plus the surcharge for modifications to our supply network.
8. We reserve the right to refuse to connect to the supply any faulty equipment. Any work carried out on equipment to bring it to the required standard will be charged on a time and material basis and payable in advance.
9. THE USE OF PERSONAL GENERATING SETS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.
10. Supply of electricity should normally be available to most stands from mid-day on the day prior to the show commencing until the official closure of the show. However, should this not be possible, for whatever reason, this Company cannot be held responsible and will NOT accept any claims for loss of earnings or otherwise.
11. Refunds for cancellations will only be given if notice of cancellation is received by the Company prior to the deadline for ordering date as stated on the order form above. Where written cancellation is received later than this date the services ordered will be charged at the full rate, as the work is prepared in advance.
12. Any portable electrical appliance intended for use at this event must display a valid PAT (Portable Appliance Test) certificate, otherwise power will not be connected.
13. Any exhibitor making connections themselves to the network or multiple connections from one stand to the stand of another exhibitor will be immediately cut off from the original supply point and service denied to them.
14. Positions of points on your stand will be at a mutually agreed practical position. Alterations may result in further charges.  
 All electrical equipment fitted to the stand is on hire and will remain the property of Havills Exhibitions Ltd after the exhibition.

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## PAYMENT DETAILS

Except where a customer has a current credit account with us, **payment is due no later than 7 days prior** to the required delivery date. Please note that VAT at the standard rate will be added to the price.

Type of card



Card number

Expiration date (month/year)

Card security code (CV2)

Name as appears on card

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Postcode

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Name

Date

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