

Welcome Contractors

The officers within the GWCC Public Safety Department work diligently to ensure the safety of visitors to the facility as well as the security of all employees, including contracted workers who have a vital role in the continued success of the Georgia World Congress Center. The implementation of the WIS program has enabled officers to more efficiently monitor access to the facility resulting in a safer work environment, a securer facility and a more pleasant experience for visitors.

- 1. To begin your visit, all contractors are encouraged to park in the Red Parking Deck. As an incentive, Contractors who present a permanent WIS badge to the parking attendee will receive discount parking.
- 2. Once you have parked all Contractors must enter the building through the <u>B1/Employee Entrance</u> located on Lower Andrew Young International Blvd on the B1 docks.
 - a. To access the employee entrance from Upper Andrew Young International, take the red deck parking lot elevators, 1IP or 2IP, to level 2.
 - b. Exit through the glass double doors. The Employee entrance is located across the street from the second floor glass double doors leading from the Red Parking Deck elevators 1IP and 2IP.
- 3. It is very important that you enter through the B1 employee entrance. THIS IS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED ENTRANCE. Contractors will be required to show their WIS badges upon entering the GWCC.
 - a. If the WIS badge is valid the contractor will be issued a colored wrist band for that day. This wrist band must be worn the entire time the contractor is on the property for that day.
 - b. If a contractor does not enter through this point of entry they will be asked to return to the point to receive the proper credentials or may be asked to leave property if they do not have the proper WIS credentials.
 - c. If a contractor does not have a WIS badge they can rent one from the Department of Public Safety located at the B1 employee entrance or you can refer to the ESCA brochure.

CONTRACTORS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH BADGING POLICIES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO GWCC

Badges must be visible at all times while on GWCC campus

If you have any questions please contact:

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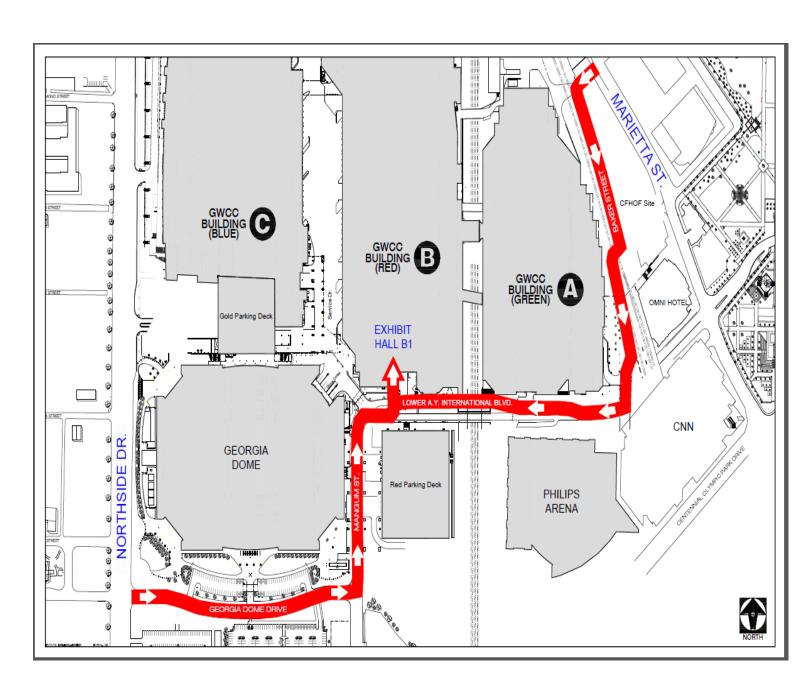
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Below is a map with directional guidance to the B1 Employee entrance







Worker Identification System (W.I.S.)

- All contractors/suppliers/vendors will require the WIS badge to gain access to the GWCC; exhibition halls and concourse levels, along with any credentials Show Organizers/Event Management companies will utilize.
- Show Organizers/Event Management have been advised about the program and should inquire if the contractors/suppliers/vendors/hired have registered and received badges.
- Someone from the ordering company will need to register as Administrator. There are training videos on the website explaining all of the procedures in registering.
- There is no fee to enroll in the program, but **there is a fee for badges**. Please visit the website below for specific information on cost and categories for the badge.
- For questions and registration regarding the WIS Badge please visit https://www.workeridbadge.com/admin/home/
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- Badges are generally received within 7-10 business days after they have been ordered and payment received.
- Please note that the following U.S. facilities also require the WIS badge, so your employees will now have access to these venues as well...
- Atlantic City Convention Center
- Boston Convention & Exhibition Center
- Cashman Center Las Vegas
- Duke Energy Convention Center Cincinnati
- George R Brown Convention Center Houston
- Georgia World Congress Center Atlanta
- Irving Convention Center Irving
- John B. Hynes Convention Center Boston
- Las Vegas Convention Center
- Miami Beach Convention Center
- Music City Center Nashville
- Walter E Washington Convention Center WDC

An ESCA Badge does not allow your employees access in the exhibit halls-The Event will dictate their credentials for access into the exhibit halls.