

PURPOSE

The Georgia World Congress Center (GWCC) and the Georgia Dome (Dome) provide these guidelines to clarify the requirements for multi-story exhibit booths. The Fire Marshal has provided basic guidelines for compliance with Paragraph 9-4.4.3.7 of NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, which governs multi-level exhibit booths. In addition, the GWCC and Georgia Dome have developed additional guidelines appropriate for the safe and orderly operation of these facilities. These guidelines are as follows:

- a. Covered or roofed areas should be furnished with acceptable battery-powered smoke detectors that emit alarms audible outside of the enclosed or covered area.
- b. The exhibitor will provide for a Fire Watch within the booth space. Personnel providing Fire Watch services must be supplied with a Class 2A10BC Fire Extinguisher in each enclosed area covered by the floor above. Personnel must be trained in the use of extinguishers.
- c. Spiral stairways are not recommended for areas occupied by the public, visitors or clientele, unless specifically approved.
- d. Exhibit booth plans must be submitted to the Georgia World Congress Center/Georgia Dome Event Services Department for review a minimum of sixty (60) days before move-in. There must be a licensed structural engineer's stamp of certification on all plans.
- e. The upper deck of multilevel exhibits greater than 300 square feet in area shall have at least two remote means of egress.
- f. Areas within the exhibit booth that are totally enclosed (i.e., walls and roof/ceiling) must be served by an emergency lighting source (i.e., battery-powered) when such areas lead to exit access from the space (e.g., stairs, aisles, corridors, ramps and passageways leading to an exit from the booth space).