

FARWEST

PORTLAND 2026

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FARWEST SHOW STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Farwest Show is dedicated to delivering a valuable exhibition experience by connecting exhibitors with qualified horticultural buyers. Produced by the dedicated team at the Oregon Association of Nurseries, the

Farwest Show benefits from year-round planning and execution by experienced professionals who implement a strategic marketing and event production plan. Together, these efforts attract growers, retailers, landscape professionals, and other industry buyers seeking plants, products, equipment, and services.

2026 FARWEST SHOW INFORMATION:

Dates: August 26–28 (Wednesday through Friday)

Trade Show Hours: Wednesday Noon– 5pm, Thursday 10am – 5pm, Friday 10am - 2pm

Produced By:

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CONVENTION SERVICES CONTRACTORS:

FERN is the official Farwest Trade Show decorator and drayage company:

FERN EXPOSITION SERVICES LLC is the contact for:

- Advanced shipment and handling
- Advance booth set-up
- Forklift and drayage service
- Furniture, carpet and display rentals
- Onsite labor services
- Traffic Manager Services

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Ph: 800-774-1251 x1

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The **Oregon Convention Center** is the location and exclusive source for utilities, hospitality, etc.:

OCC FACILITY EXHIBITOR SERVICES is the contact for:

- Electrical hook-up
- Water and drain
- Telephone/internet
- Audio/visual
- Food, Beverage, and other catering
- Booth Cleaning

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Rules and regulations contained below are considered to be in addition to rules and regulations printed on the Farwest Show Exhibit Space Contract. Signing of the exhibitor's contract accepts the conditions and limits listed below.

BOOTH DISPLAY RENTAL INCLUDES:

- 10' x 10' exhibit space-Main Floor
- One 8-foot-high draped back-wall, two 3-foot-high draped side rails (not included with island booth)
- One 11" x 17" Booth identification sign to include company name, city, state and booth number
- Forklift service provided during move-in/out for privately owned vehicles
- Water/Ice for plant material
- Four exhibitor badges per 10x10 space, with a limit of 12 per company
- Complimentary code for FREE show-only attendee passes
- Exhibitor listing in *Digger Magazine: Farwest Trade Show Edition* (if contracted by July 1) and on FarwestShow.com

SALE LIMITATIONS:

The Farwest Show is a closed industry trade show. Direct, individualized sale of items that are taken from any exhibit booth prior to the close of the show is prohibited. This rule is necessary in order to provide all exhibitors balanced security and to help ensure against theft. Items may be sold directly from the booth but may not be removed from the booth and/or exhibit hall until 2:00 p.m. on closing day.

SPACE ASSIGNMENT:

Any exhibiting firm occupying booth space in the Farwest Show is given first choice on that location for the subsequent year's show. Exhibitors desiring to relocate or change the size of their booth must contact the Farwest Show office. Preference will be given by exhibitor seniority status and in order of receipt.

SUB-LEASING:

Exhibit space is owned solely by the OAN, producer of the Farwest Show, and ownership is non-transferable. No exhibitor may assign, sublet or apportion the whole or any part of the booth space assigned, nor permit any other party to exhibit therein, nor distribute any promotional or advertising materials in the assigned space other than those manufactured, grown or sold by exhibitor in the normal course of his/her business. Penalty for violation may be loss of exhibit space.

PAYMENTS AND BOOTH CANCELLATIONS:

The schedule of payments due for the 2026 booth space is as follows:

September 30, 2025: First-right-of-refusal deadline for 2026 exhibit spaces and 50% deposit due.

May 31, 2026: Booth paid in full deadline (exhibitors failing to make full payment may be considered vacant and subject to re-sale).

Exhibitors who have a signed contract and paid for a booth space under the OAN member benefit rate, but have not renewed their membership for the current year will be invoiced after April 1, 2026 for the non-member booth rate. Payment will be due May 31, 2026.

New exhibitors entering the show after April 30 may make tentative reservations on available space for a period of ten (10) days, upon which time payment in full is due for final booth space confirmation.

2026 Contracts cancelled or modified prior to January 31, 2026, will be assessed a surcharge of \$200 per 10'x10' booth space; contracts cancelled or modified after January 31, 2026, but prior to April 30, 2026, will be assessed a surcharge equal to 50% of the total exhibit space fee. No refunds will be given for the 2026 exhibit space contracts cancelled or modified after April 30, 2026. All cancellations must be in writing. Exhibitor space is owned by the Oregon Association of Nurseries, Inc. and space is non-transferable from one exhibitor to another.

EXHIBITOR SOLICITING:

Exhibitors must limit their activities within the confines of the assigned booth space (which includes all marketing material) and conduct themselves in an appropriate manner that does not interfere with legitimate activities of other exhibitors. This means at no time should product or promotional materials protrude, for any distance, into the exhibit hall aisles, or be handed out in the aisle to attendees or other exhibitors without approval of show management.

NON-EXHIBITOR SOLICITING:

Show management makes every effort to protect against unauthorized selling within the show exhibit area by individuals not booking space. If exhibitors experience this with an attendee, please report them to show management. These individuals are taking advantage of exhibitors who pay for their space and abide by show rules.

CHARACTER OF EXHIBITS:

The Farwest Show retains the right to restrict exhibits to products and services of interest to and related to the nursery, horticultural and retail garden center trade. The management also reserves the right to restrict exhibits which, because of noise, method of operation, materials, or for any reason are deemed to be objectionable, and also to prohibit or evict any exhibit which, in the opinion of the management, may detract from the general character of the Farwest Show. This reservation includes persons, things, conduct, printed matter or anything of a character which the management determines objectionable. In the event of such restriction or eviction, the Farwest Show is not liable for any refunds for rentals or other exhibit expense. All exhibits must include a person(s) in their booths at all times, with the exception of minimal breaks.

DISPLAY & SIGNAGE RESTRICTIONS:

The Farwest Show works hard to maintain a professional show, which involves respecting the space and line of sight for every exhibitor. This means that if an exhibit is breaking show rules, it will be required to be changed on-site. This could be costly or timely (depending on when Show Management is made aware of this issue). Please be aware of the rules prior to designing your exhibit space.

From the aisle, the first 2 feet of your booth space is limited to 4-feet in height for solid display material. The only exception is if you are displaying items or plant material of a see-through nature. This allows attendees to get a clear view of booths from the main boulevards. You don't want your neighbor blocking your view of attendees and vice versa.

After those initial 2 feet from the aisle, there are no height restrictions. If you are using a two-sided sign(s), the side facing away from the aisle and to the back side of your booth cannot have your company name or products or logos. Signs facing toward your front aisle can include your name and logo.

The backdrop pipe and drape to your booth is not weight bearing. You can hang a very light weight banner or sign, but nothing with any real weight to it.

All displays and signage must comply with the Fire Marshall Rules and Regulations as well as Oregon Convention Center policy.

DIAGRAM 1 - SINGLE UNIT

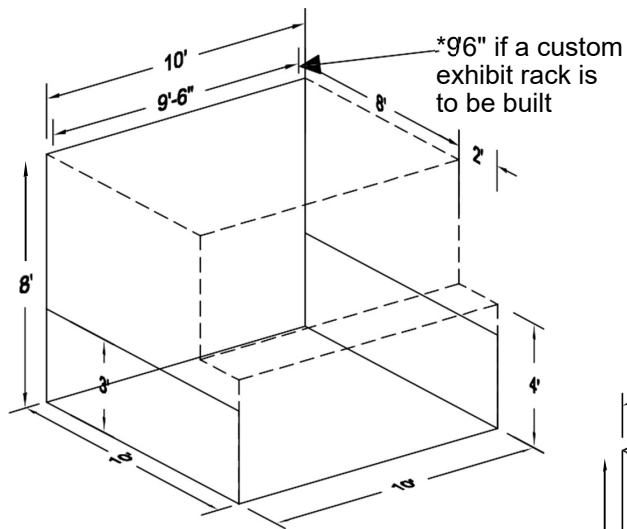
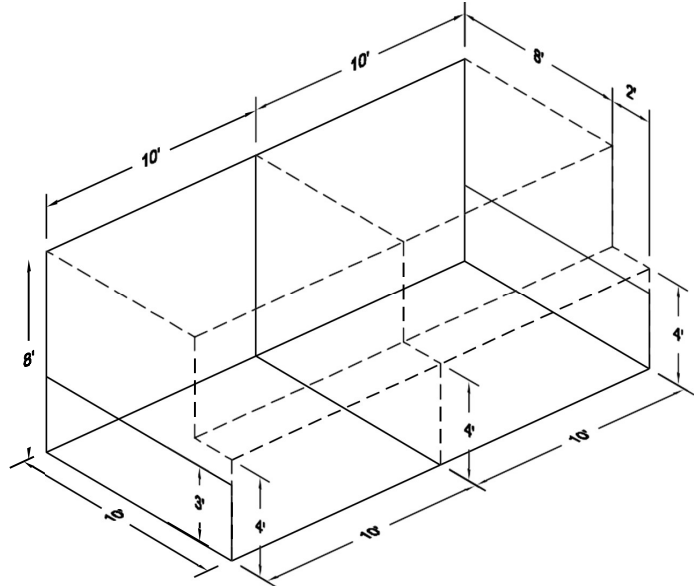
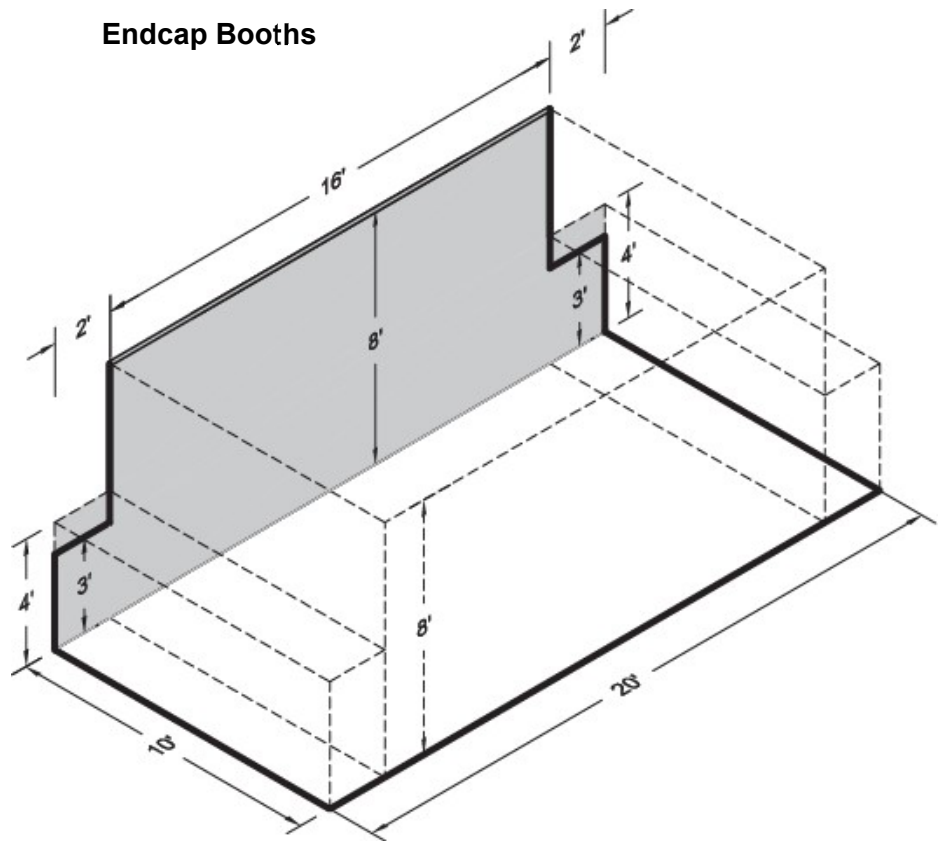


DIAGRAM 2 - MULTIPLE UNITS



An end cap booth space is 10' x 20' or larger and includes a 16-foot wide and 8-foot high centered pipe and drape backdrop bookended by 3-foot high back curtains that separate you from the exhibitors behind you. From the side aisles, the first 2 feet of your booth space is limited to 4-feet in height for solid display material. (see shaded diagram).

From each side along the 3-foot high pipe and drape back curtains (shaded in the diagram), there are no height restrictions after the 2 feet of space from the aisle on both sides.*



SPECIAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:

The operation of oil, alcohol or gasoline engines is prohibited during show hours. All gas tanks must be less than one-fourth full with gas caps sealed or locked while on display in the exhibit area. In addition, all battery cables must be disconnected during exhibition to meet fire marshal regulations. Placing drip pans under vehicles is strongly encouraged. Keys may be tagged by an OCC Event Manager and stored at the Security Console until move out. Displaying of any vehicle containing LPG gas propane must have such containers reduced to atmospheric pressure before bringing them into the building.

Audio-visual equipment is limited in its operation to sales demonstrations only and shall not be used for showings designed to attract or entertain visitors. All audio visual equipment shall be in accordance with the requirements of the fire prevention authorities and in harmony with any agreements entered into by the Farwest Show, the Oregon Convention Center and applicable labor unions. The use of loud speakers and public address equipment by exhibitors is absolutely prohibited. Exhibits which include the operation of musical instruments, radios or any noise-making equipment must be conducted or arranged so that the noise resulting from the demonstrations will not disturb adjacent exhibitors. All plans for installation and operation of special sound equipment must be approved by the Farwest Show prior to installation.

The Farwest Show does not have a performing rights license issued by ASCAP, thus, the performance or use of copyrighted music, whether live, tapes, CDs, videos, etc., is prohibited. Exhibitors are responsible for any action taken by ASCAP or other such organization. Failure to observe this rule may be grounds for removal from the show.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:

No exhibitor will be allowed to bring any hazardous material into the exhibit hall for any purpose during hours of move-in, show hours or move-out. The Farwest Show requires the use of empty display containers that have never been filled with hazardous materials. This rule will be strictly enforced. Hazardous materials are defined as follows:

Any material packaged in a container that has the words "danger", "warning" or "poison" on it, accompanied by a phrase such as, but not limited to, "do not get on skin," "do not get in eyes," "do not breathe dust," "live aerosol spray cans."

Rules and regulations set forth by the Portland Fire Bureau covering hazardous materials must be followed, or exhibits are subject to removal from the Show.

PETS:

Except for guide dogs, no animals or pets are permitted in exhibit hall or booths at any time without show management approval, which in turn, must get approval from the facility. It is also forbidden to house animals in automobiles or trucks parked on Convention Center property.

SECURITY:

The Farwest Show will attempt to provide adequate security service for the exhibit area during show hours as well as when the show is closed. As further protection, the Farwest Show encourages each exhibitor to have at least one employee in the booth during move-in and move-out hours. The ultimate responsibility of security lies with the exhibitor at all times and the Farwest Show shall not be held liable for the loss or theft of any or all items from an exhibit booth at any time.

Exhibitors are encouraged to secure and insure valuable items, including but not limited to televisions, computers, small equipment and tools. It is strongly suggested to remove such items immediately upon the close of the show. Please note, during move-in and move-out hours it is impossible to assure total protection of exhibits and items within them. Exhibitors can assist the Farwest Show by securing items of value during these hours.

EXHIBITORS CREDENTIALS:

In keeping with our efforts to provide exhibitors and show visitors with the best possible security, it is important that all exhibitors and guests wear, in clear view at all times, appropriate name badges. Exhibitor badges allow access onto the show floor prior to opening. Attendee badges are allowed access to the exhibit halls during posted show hours. Exhibitor badges are for exhibitors, show management and staff only. Please note that rules covering registration and security are for the protection and benefit of Farwest Show exhibitors.

NON-COMPLIANCE TO RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Each exhibitor, for himself/herself and his employees, substitutes or agents, agrees to abide by the rules and regulations given herein and by subsequent amendments and additions, considered by the Farwest Show to be in the best interest of all exhibitors. Upon non-compliance with the established rules, the Farwest Show reserves the right to prohibit, reject or eject any exhibitor, exhibitor's representative, exhibit (in whole or part) or visitor, with or without giving cause. In the event of restriction or eviction, the Farwest Show is not liable for any refunds on rentals or other exhibit expenses.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES:

These rules, regulations and conditions and the exhibitor's space agreements have been drawn for the purpose and intention of providing a well-balanced, regulated, attractive and successful exposition. Any and all matters, or questions not specifically covered by the preceding rules and regulations or the Exhibit Space Contract, shall be subject solely to the decision of the Farwest Show. The Farwest Show shall have full power to so interpret the rules and regulations, or make such judgments, as may appear to be for the best interests of the Farwest Show and the OAN, and any and all amendments of the foregoing rules, regulations and conditions shall bind the exhibitors.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:

It is expressly understood and agreed, and the exhibitor agrees by accepting these rules and regulations, and by signing the Exhibit Space Contract, that he/she will make no claim of any kind against the Farwest Show, the OAN, its members, employees or agents for any loss, damage or destruction of goods, nor for any injury or death that may occur to himself or his employees, associates, aides or guests while on the show grounds, nor for any damage of any nature or character whatsoever.