

# BCS2024 EXHIBITOR MANUAL FOR EDUCATION ZONE

**BCS ANNUAL CONFERENCE** 

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### INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Programme Committee, we are delighted to present the British Cardiovascular Society Annual Conference 2024, which will be held at Manchester Central from 3-5 June 2024. We would like to thank you for taking this opportunity to exhibit.

The British Cardiovascular Society Annual Conference is the UK's leading and largest cardiovascular event, offering a variety of opportunities to showcase your company, products and initiatives to an audience of over 2,000 healthcare professionals in the field of cardiology. Predominantly consultant and trainee cardiologists, delegates also include nurses, cardiac physiologists and scientists.

As well as a full programme of informative lectures delivered by an international Faculty, the Exhibition Hall now hosts interactive learning opportunities throughout the duration of the conference. These learning opportunities include simulators and hot topics. Year on year we endeavour to improve the programme of educational activities and also introduce something 'a bit different' to keep your interest over the three days!

Please find within this Exhibitor Manual all of the relevant information that you will need prior to and during the conference. Please read this document and complete the relevant forms to ensure that you do not miss any key deadline dates or any other information which may be of importance to your planning and attendance at the meeting.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the BCS 2024 Conference team. We very much look forward to welcoming you to Manchester!

Professor John Greenwood

**BCS President** 

Dr Shouvik Haldar

BCS VP for Education

Professor Andrew Clark

Chair, BCS Programme Committee

### **BCS CONTACT DETAILS**

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Website: <a href="www.britishcardiovascularsociety.org">www.britishcardiovascularsociety.org</a>
X/Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/BritishCardioSo">https://twitter.com/BritishCardioSo</a>

If you require this document in an alternative format, such as large print or a coloured background, please contact <a href="mailto:exhibition@bcs.com">exhibition@bcs.com</a>

### FAQs

### Please find quick answers below to common queries regarding BCS2024

### Name Badges & Passes

Q1. Where do exhibitors collect their name badges?

A. Exhibitors will be able to collect their name badges from the main registration desk at Manchester Central on arrival.

Q2. I require an additional name badge/amendment and the deadline for sending the booking form has passed. Would this be possible?

A. Please contact BCS by email to <a href="mailto:educationzone@bcs.com">educationzone@bcs.com</a> and we will do our best to accommodate last minute requests/amendments for name badges. If close to the conference this may need to be accommodated on-site. Exhibitors are requested to adhere to the booking form deadlines where possible.

### **Food and Drink**

Q1. Is lunch provided for Exhibitors?

A. Lunch is not provided for Exhibitors. Refreshments (teas and coffees) only are provided for Exhibitors. Additionally you can purchase light refreshments from the tea & coffee points located in the Education Hall.

#### **Deliveries**

Q1. When can we send materials to Manchester Central for our Exhibition stand?

A. You can send your exhibition material during the dates and times as stated on page 5 in this manual. Please note Manchester Central cannot accept deliveries before tenancy, or store items after tenancy. Manchester Central and BCS staff will not sign for any deliveries made.

Q2. I am sending materials via an independent courier, will Manchester Central accept and sign for the delivery?

A. No. A member of your staff must be present to sign for the delivery (to ensure items are not lost or stolen). The official lifting and shipping contract for the conference is GES Logistics, please see Page 12 in this manual for further details.

### **Storage**

Q1. I need to store some items, are storage facilities available to Exhibitors?

A. No. If you require storage facilities, please see Page 12 for GES Logistics contact details.

#### Parking

Q1. Is there discounted parking for exhibitors at Manchester Central?

A. Yes. There is discounted parking at the NCP car park for anyone working or attending the event. Please see Page 13 for the discounted code and further details.

### Soft Breakdown in the Education Zone

Q1. When does Soft Breakdown in the Education Zone commence?

A. The soft breakdown in the Education Zone ONLY will commence from 14:00. Exhibitors in the Exhibition Hall must refrain from packing away and remain on site until the Exhibition Hall closes at 16:00 hours on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

\*\*Please note that collection from the Exhibition Hall Loading Bay is not permitted during soft breakdown\*\*



- Q2. Can Exhibitors collect their material during soft breakdown?
- A. Collection is **not** permitted from the Exhibition Hall Loading Bay during soft breakdown.

During this time Education Zone vendors may pack away their stand materials and leave by the **main entrance** if they are carrying items down to the NCP. Access to the **loading bay** will open once the organiser, venue and health and safety representative have deemed it safe to do so. **This is likely to be circa 17:00, so please ensure private couriers with trolley collections are aware of this time frame in advance as they will not be allowed access to the hall before this time.** 

### TIMETABLE

	DATE	DESCRIPTION	TIMES	DELIVERIES/COLLECTIONS
Education	Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Access to Station(s) for Exhibitors to set up	11:00 – 20:00	Accepted between these hours
Zone Access Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		Access to Station(s) for Exhibitors to set up 07:45 – 08:30		No deliveries permitted
	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Hall Open Exhibition Open	07:45 - 19.00 08.30 - 17:30	No deliveries permitted
Exhibition opening days	Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Hall Open Exhibition Open Networking Reception	07.45 – 18:30 08.00 – 19:30 From 17:45	No deliveries permitted
	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Hall Open Exhibition Open	07.45 – 22:00 08.00 – 16:00	No deliveries permitted
Education	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Imaging Village Simulator Village	10:00 – 16:00 10:30 – 16:30	No deliveries permitted
Zone Training	Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Imaging Village Simulator Village	09:00 - 16:00 09:30 - 16:30	No deliveries permitted
	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Imaging Village Simulator Village	09:00 - 12:00 09:30 - 12:30	No deliveries permitted
STAND BREAKDOWN Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June		Soft Breakdown of Education Zone	14.00 – 16.00	No collection permitted from Exhibition Hall loading bay. Please see section regarding Soft Breakdown on page 18
		Breakdown for all Exhibitors	16.00 – 23.00	Collection accepted between these hours.
				Please note loading bay will open at approx.17:00.
				From 17:00 hrs appropriate safety footwear and yellow or orange hi-vis must be worn by all persons within the exhibition hall in accordance with CMD regulations 2015.

### IMPORTANT NOTE: PENALTY COSTS FOR LATE BUILD UP/BREAKDOWN

If any exhibitor/contractor overruns the exhibition closing time during build-up on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 and have not vacated the Exhibition Hall an immediate penalty of £3,000 + VAT per hour will be imposed from 22:00 - 23:00. After 23:00 access will be denied, this is non-negotiable. Please be aware that any stand equipment/materials left onsite at the end of tenancy will be charged as waste by the Venue incurring additional charges.

Soft breakdown will commence at the discretion of the Organisers and under no circumstances should exhibitors start breakdown before a tannoy announcement has been made to this effect. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WILL NOT BE MADE UNTIL IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT ALL DELEGATES HAVE LEFT THE EXHIBITION HALL. If any exhibitor/contractor overruns the exhibition close time during breakdown on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and have not vacated the Exhibition Hall Loading Bay by 22:00, an immediate penalty of £8,000 + VAT will be imposed from 22:00 until 22:59. After 22:59 access will be denied, this is non-negotiable.

### FLOOR PLAN



### DEADLINES AND FORMS

DEADLINE	ITEM	RETURN TO
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Logo for your station(s)	educationzone@bcs.com
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Electrical requirements for your station(s)	educationzone@bcs.com
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Exhibitor/Contractor Name Badges Form	BCS - Follow Microsoft Forms link
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Deliveries, Lifting, Storage	GES Logistics
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Ordering Trollies for Deliveries	GES Logistics

### A-Z GENERAL INFORMATION

### Audio Visual

A full range of audio-visual equipment may be hired from our official contractor, Sterling Event Group. Please complete the order form and return to Sterling Event Group no later than 5 working days prior to the show.

Phone: +44 (0)161 436 4444

Email: exhibitions@sterlingeventgroup.co.uk

Please remember that sound must be kept to a reasonable level and that if you intend to play live or pre-recorded music you will need to obtain the relevant entertainment licence. Please refer to the A-Z Rules and Regulations section, Broadcasting of Music.

### **BCS Name Badges**

Please complete the <u>Education Zone Name Badge form</u> in order to obtain your Exhibitor Name Badges, which are to be worn at all times throughout the conference.

The allowance is one per station, unless an enhanced package has been purchased or a separate agreement has been made.

### **Branding**

A desk with your company logo will be provided for your station. **Please note that no further branding is permitted.** 

### Cash Machine

A cash machine is no longer available on site. Please visit the Concierge Desk where they will be able to advise on the closest cash point to the venue.

### Catering

Please note that refreshments (teas & coffees only) are provided for Exhibitors.

Additionally, there will be tea and coffee points located in the Education Hall for purchases of drinks and light refreshments.

### Charging

Manchester Central offers facilities to charge mobile telephones. Please visit the Concierge Desk at Manchester Central for more information.

### Cleaning

All stands within the exhibition will be cleaned nightly during the open period of the event, this includes vacuuming or mopping of stand floors (single storey only). Please note that this does not include cleaning of exhibits or other stand surfaces. If you require an enhanced service for your stand, please contact Georgia at Manchester Central with requirements for a bespoke quotation:



Manchester Central Contact: Georgia Sinclair

Email: g.sinclair@manchestercentral.co.uk

### Cloakroom

The main cloakroom will be located in close proximity to Registration. Normal operating hours are from 30 minutes before the event opens and until 30 minutes after the event closes.

Please note that Manchester Central will not accept any electrical items in the cloakroom.

### Conference Programme

Please visit <a href="https://www.britishcardiovascularsociety.org/conference">https://www.britishcardiovascularsociety.org/conference</a> for a copy of the latest Conference programme.

### Contractors

The BCS has a list of companies appointed as Official Contractors for the British Cardiovascular Society Annual Conference 2024. We encourage you to use the services of our official contractors as these have been vetted by the Organisers. A representative from each contractor will be available onsite during the build-up period. Refer to the relevant forms or Key Contacts section of the manual for full details.

### COVID-19

The government has removed remaining domestic restrictions in England. There are still steps you can take to reduce the risk of catching and spreading COVID-19:

- Get vaccinated
- Let fresh air in if meeting indoors, or meet outside
- Consider wearing a face covering in crowded, enclosed spaces.

### Customs Clearance

It is the exhibitor's responsibility to carry out correct customs formalities for equipment/products arriving from abroad. The HM Revenue & Customs office requires 48 hours' notice to process customs clearance. The Organisers will not be held responsible for any difficulties which may arise in connection with such formalities. Further information should be obtained direct from Revenue & Customs Helpline: 0300 322 9434.

### **Delegate List**

Due to data protection reasons, we will not be providing a delegate list post-conference.

### **Deliveries**

Please ensure deliveries are made only between the times stated in the table on page 5. Please note when booking a delivery that some couriers do not deliver on Sundays.

Manchester Central cannot accept deliveries before tenancy, or store items after tenancy. Manchester Central staff and BCS staff will not sign for any deliveries made.

Please note that Manchester Central has two delivery addresses depending on when deliveries are being made.

### Deliveries/ collections during build up and breakdown:

Manchester Central Convention Complex Albion Street Manchester M1 5LN

### **Small Deliveries during show open:**

Manchester Central Convention Complex Windmill Street Manchester M2 3GX

### First Aid, Fire and Emergency Procedures

Please ensure that all your stand personnel are aware of these procedures.

#### First Aid

First aiders will be on-site. If you need urgent medical assistance, please tell your event manager or any venue steward. If possible, give the location of the casualty and details of any injuries (e.g. bleeding or unconsciousness). A member of the first aid team will come to help.

#### Fire

Should there be an emergency, please take the following action:

- 1. Break the glass on the nearest fire alarm point. These are located at each vehicle door and fire exit.
- 2. Tell a member of staff and give the location and nature of the incident.
- 3. Notify nearby visitors of the situation.

### **Evacuation**

If an emergency evacuation is necessary during your event, the following message will be broadcast:

"Attention please! Attention please! Will everybody please leave the building by the nearest exit. This is an emergency. The staff will assist and direct you. Please do not use the lifts." Staff will guide you to your nearest exit.

### Health and Safety

The official Health and Safety contractor is ONSITE Exhibition Services Limited. Health and Safety aspects of our event are very important and in this regard we require that the Health and Safety Risk Assessment and Declaration Form are completed by **ALL** exhibitors and returned to:

**ONSITE Exhibition Services Limited** 

Contact: Carol MacInnes Phone: +44 (0)7974 223 670 Email: <u>carol@onsitex.co.uk</u>

### Internet and Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi is free throughout Manchester Central.

Please click the link below or contact Manchester Central if you require a hard wired internet connection or premium WIFI

https://www.manchestercentral.co.uk/online-ordering

Manchester Central

Phone: +44 (0)161 827 7676

Email: EventsIT@manchestercentral.co.uk

### Lifting and Shipping

The official lifting and shipping contractor for the conference is GES Logistics.

**GES Logistics** 

Contact: Event Logistics
Phone: +44 (0)121 782 4433
Email: event.logistics@ges.com

GES Logistics can provide the following services:

- Specialist customs clearance services for international exhibitors
- Safe warehouse storage for consignments both before and after the event
- A courier receiving service for consignments sent by other couriers to show site
- Delivery for consignments to and from the venue
- Unloading, reloading and positioning by forklift or crane on stand
- Empty case storage for the duration on the show
- Door to door services from your location to advance warehouse or direct to show site and return shipping after the event or onwards shipping to your next event.

**Please note** that when sending items via an independent courier a signature will be required for delivery, so a member of your staff must be present to do this (to ensure items are not lost or stolen).

All deliveries and collection must be labelled clearly, with exhibitors available to sign for the delivery/return and not left unattended on stand.

### Logo for your station(s)

Please send the logo to be placed on your station to <a href="mailto:educationzone@bcs.com">educationzone@bcs.com</a> by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024.

### Lost Property

Lost property will be taken to the Concierge in the Central Foyer. If you have lost something or if you wish to hand in anything that you have found, please go to the Concierge Desk located at Manchester Central Foyer main concourse.

### **Models**

If models are required for the successful teaching of your station please ensure these are provided. Please note BCS cannot provide models.

### **Networking Drinks Reception**

A networking drinks reception will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June in the Education Hall from 17:45 and will be open to all.

### Printing and IT Support

Manchester Central has a dedicated Business Centre located at the Concierge Desk in the Central Foyer. Whether you need printing, photocopying, document scanning, laminating, stationery, office supplies, IT support, fax facilities, florist services, toiletries or even a range of Manchester gifts, just speak to the Venue Concierge. They are there to help.

For additional requirements call +44 (0)161 827 7680, or simply drop by.

### **Parking**

Manchester Central has a 24 hour NCP car park located directly below the building holding 720 cars, including 18 disabled parking bays. There are also electric charging stations available. Lift, stairs and escalator access is available from the car park into Manchester Central.

For discounted parking for exhibitors, all drivers wishing to use the discount must have the NCP ParkPass app installed on their phones. Please use the code MCEXHIB14 to receive a discount on the day. This discount is available to anyone working at or attending the event and gives a rate of £14 per day.

Manchester Central NCP Lower Mosley Street Manchester M2 3GX

Email: ManchesterCentralVoucherapplication@ncp.co.uk

### **Prayer Room**

A Prayer Room is available at the venue for anyone to use – please note this is a shared space for all faiths. Manchester Central staff can provide directions to the Prayer Room.

### **Registration Opening Times**

Registration desks will be located at the entrance of the Exhibition Hall. The registration will be open during the following times:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: 08:00 – 17:30 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June: 08:00 – 17:30 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June: 08:00 – 15:30

### Security

The Organisers will take all reasonable security precautions during the build-up, open and breakdown periods. However, all exhibitors are advised that they should take steps to protect their property. Any precautions you take are in your best interest as neither the Organisers, Manchester Central nor appointed contractors are responsible for any loss or damage to any goods at any time during the exhibition.

It is essential that you report any loss sustained from your stand to the Venue Security and/or Organisers Office immediately. Please follow these guidelines:



- Delegate one member of your stand personnel to be responsible for your company's safety and security at the exhibition. Do not leave cash, handbags, mobile phones, valuables etc. in drawers, cupboards or on open exhibits on your stand. Do not leave wallets/purses in unattended clothing.
- Check all lockable desks and cupboards before leaving your stand.
- Please note that build-up and breakdown days are high risk periods during these times any items/equipment left on unattended stands remain the responsibility of the exhibitor at all times.
- You are recommended to work in pairs so the stand is manned at all times.
- Any goods left on stands are at Exhibitors own risk. It is recommended adequate insurance is organised.

Please note there will be 100% bag search upon entry Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Selling Products**

Please inform Claire Cartwright at <a href="mailto:exhibition@bcs.com">exhibition@bcs.com</a> if you are planning to sell any products at the BCS Conference as this has to be approved and authorised by the BCS Programme Committee.

### **Smoking**

Exhibitors should note that there is a no smoking policy throughout the Premises. Additionally, e-cigarettes/vaping are not permitted inside. There are designated smoking areas external to the Venue on the front forecourt.

### Sponsorship Opportunities

Should you be interested in any other sponsorship opportunities during the BCS 2024 Annual Conference, please contact Claire Cartwright at exhibition@bcs.com.

### Storage

There are no storage facilities available to Exhibitors within the exhibition area. If you require storage use then please contact our Lifting & Shipping contractor GES Logistics.

**GES Logistics** 

Contact: Event Logistics
Phone: +44 (0)121 782 4433
Email: event.logistics@ges.com

### Waste

Please note that any exhibitors or their contractors leaving excessive amounts of rubbish or materials behind at the end of the event are liable for any costs associated with their disposal. If you have any queries about rubbish removal, please contact Manchester Central.

Phone: +44 (0)161 827 8746

Email: tempservices@manchestercentral.co.uk

### Water

Please visit the <u>online ordering form</u> from Manchester Central for further details about supplying of water to your stand.



Phone: +44 (0)161 827 8746

Email: tempservices@manchestercentral.co.uk

### Welcome Pack

Exhibitors will receive a Welcome Pack which will include Organiser's onsite contact details and a copy of the full Conference Programme. The Welcome Pack will be on your Education Zone station(s).

### Wheelchairs

All entrances at Manchester Central are fully ramped and accessible for wheelchairs and there are some self-propelled wheelchairs available for use within the venue. To enquire, contact the First Aid department on +44 (0)161 834 2700 ext.2211 or email concierge@manchestercentral.co.uk

Bookings should be made in advance, as availability cannot be guaranteed otherwise.

### A-Z RULES AND REGULATIONS

### **Animals**

Animals are not allowed onsite. Guide and hearing dogs are permitted on request.

### **Annoyance**

The Exhibition Organisers reserve the right to stop any activity on the part of any Exhibitor that may cause annoyance to other exhibitors or visitors. Business must be conducted only from the Exhibitor's own stand and under no circumstances may this be carried out from a gangway or elsewhere within the Exhibition.

### Balloons and Bottled/Compressed Gas

The use of balloons within the Venue is strictly regulated. If you do wish to have helium balloons, should any escape to the roof, there could be a cost in retrieving the balloon. Most importantly, if you will be bringing a gas cylinder then you need to inform BCS/Health and Safety of this. You will not be able to keep the cylinder on your stand due to H&S regulations; instead, the Venue will store it suitably for you.

If you decide to go ahead with balloons then you will need to inform Carol MacInnes at <a href="mailto:carol@onsitex.co.uk">carol@onsitex.co.uk</a> and Claire Cartwright at <a href="mailto:exhibition@bcs.com">exhibition@bcs.com</a> in writing at least 28 days prior to the event.

### **Broadcast of Music**

Persons requiring music to be broadcast, whether live, from tapes, discs on stands or other areas, are advised that they will require a licence for the performance of music from The Performing Rights Society Limited (PRS), which has rights under The Copyright Designs & Patents Act 1988. Any person wishing to have music broadcast must inform the Organisers. The exhibitor will be required to pay all fees due to The Performing Rights Society Limited (PRS) Copyright House, 29-33 Berners St, London W1T 3AB.

### Children

Under no circumstances will children under 16 be allowed into the Exhibition Halls during the tenancy period. Should you require facilities for a nursing room, please ask staff at the Concierge Desk, located at Manchester Central Foyer main concourse, who will find a private room for you to use.

### Conduct of Exhibitors/Contractor

Exhibitors will not be allowed to display exhibits in such a manner as to obstruct gangways or affect the displays of neighbouring exhibitors. Gangways must at all times be kept clear and free for passage. All emergency exits and access to service areas are to be kept clear at all times and must not be restricted or rendered unrecognisable. Public gangways shall remain the means of escape even during build up and breakdown periods. Any Exhibitor who continues to cause obstruction or nuisance after notice has been given will be liable to have their stand closed by the Exhibition Organisers at the Exhibitor's expense and risk.

### Dilapidation Charges

Please remember that you are responsible for making good any damage caused to the fabric of the exhibition buildings, by you, your agents or contractors. It is in your own interest to satisfy yourself as to the condition of your site before commencing the building (space only) or dressing (shell scheme) of your stand and again after its clearance. The organisers will pass to the exhibitor any charges for damage to the exhibition halls caused by exhibitors, staff or their contractors.

### **Environmental Policy**

To view Manchester Central's Sustainability Policy, please visit their website <a href="here">here</a>.

### Insurance

Exhibitors are reminded of the need to consult their insurance company or brokers to cover themselves fully against all risks at the Exhibition. The Exhibition Organisers can advise Exhibitors of suitable insurance brokers upon request. Particular attention is drawn to the need for the following:

**Abandonment Insurance**: As stated in the exhibition terms & conditions the Exhibition Organisers are not obliged to return any monies paid for space in the event of cancellation or restriction of the Exhibition.

**Stand, Fixtures and Similar Insurance**: All risks on loss or damage to Exhibitor's property, fixtures, fittings and all other property of a similar nature such as personal effects of directors, principals and employees whilst on the Premises and transit risks from the Exhibitor's premises to the Exhibition and return.

**Public Liability Insurance**: Liability to the public may arise out of the Exhibitor's/principal contractor's activities and should be covered by insurance.

Exhibitors must not use, permit or bring into the Premises or any part thereof any act or thing which may render any extra or increased premium payable for any of the Exhibition Organisers and/or the exhibition area's insurance policies, including but not limited to material damage, consequential loss or public liability insurance.

### Liability

The Exhibition Organisers will endeavour to protect exhibition property while on display at the Exhibition. However, it must be clearly understood that the Management of the venue and the Exhibition Organisers cannot accept liability for any loss or damage sustained or occasioned from any cause whatsoever. Exhibitors will be responsible for all damage to property and for any loss or injury caused by them or their agents or employees and will indemnify the Exhibition Organisers against all claims and expenses arising there from.

In the event of it being necessary for any reason whatsoever for the Exhibition to be abandoned, postponed or altered in any way in whole or in part, or if the Exhibition Organisers find it necessary to change the dates of the Exhibition or vary the hours the Exhibition is open, the Exhibition Organisers shall not be liable for any expenditure, damage or loss incurred in connection with the Exhibition.

The Exhibition Organisers shall further not be liable for any loss that the Exhibitor or Exhibition Contractors may incur owing to the intervention of any authority which prevents or restricts the use of the Premises or any part thereof in any manner whatsoever.

### Meeting Blackout Periods

There are strict rules regarding holding meetings during the BCS Annual Conference. Meetings are **NOT** to be scheduled during the opening times of the conference.

### Microphones/Audio Visual Equipment

The use of microphones/audio visual equipment is permitted, but the volume must not be such as to cause annoyance to other Exhibitors. The Exhibition Organisers reserve the right to prohibit their use if in the Exhibition Organiser's opinion this is the case.

### **Publicity Material**

Any publicity material shall ONLY be displayed and/or given away from the Exhibitor's own stand. Leaflets displayed at any other point throughout the Premises will be removed or destroyed by the Exhibition Organisers.

Projected images, however generated, may not play into gangways or onto other stands. An Exhibitor may not, except by express written permission of the Exhibition Organisers, display directly or indirectly, advertise or give credits to any products other than their own or their named principal's.

The display of acknowledgement or credit indicating membership of organisations or trade associations is not allowed except by the express written permission of the Exhibition Organisers. The Exhibition Organisers reserve the right to have covered or removed from the Premises any product or sign violating this regulation.

### Soft Breakdown in the Education Zone of Education Hall

The soft breakdown in the Education Zone ONLY will commence from 14:00. Exhibitors in the Exhibition Hall must refrain from packing away and remain on site until the Exhibition Hall closes at 16:00 hours on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

\*\*Please note that collection from the Exhibition Hall Loading Bay is not permitted during soft breakdown. Access to the Loading Bay will be from approx. 17:00\*\*

Between approx. 16:00 – 16:45 pm (once visitors have left the exhibition hall) all exhibitors will be permitted to pack away their stand materials and leave by the main entrance if they are carrying items down to the NCP. Exhibitors with trolleys will be able to access the loading bay areas once the organiser, venue and health and safety representative have deemed it safe to do so. This is likely to be circa 17:00, so please ensure private couriers with trolley collections are aware of this time frame in advance as they will not be allowed access to the hall before this time.

Any exhibitors who have constructed their own stands or due to the expense and quantity of stand materials have to remain onsite from 17:00 must ensure they bring with them that day appropriate footwear and an orange or yellow hi-vis vest/tabard as CDM full breakdown regulations will be enforced from this time. The venue will provide hi-vis for purchase should it be required but appropriate footwear i.e. safety or anti-slip, strong soled, full shoes must be brought to site that day by any exhibitor required to remain onsite after 17:00 on 5 June.

### Special Risks e.g., Smoke, Lasers, Inflatables, Medical Lasers, Strobes

All special effects must be treated as special risks and are subject to strict controls in accordance with a risk assessment and the appropriate Venue requirements. Information can be obtained on these from the Health & Safety Contractor – <a href="mailto:carol@onsitex.co.uk">carol@onsitex.co.uk</a>. Any exhibitor demonstrating or using any Special Risk products must note and observe the following requirement:

Full details of equipment that will be used must be submitted to the Exhibition Organisers and Health and Safety via Exhibitors Health and Safety Declaration and Exhibitor Risk Assessment Form in the first instance. You will then be contacted further for specific requirements. Please be advised that all information is required to be submitted to the Venue no later than 28 days before tenancy, so prompt return of Form 2 is crucial if approval is to be granted pre tenancy. Failure to submit adequate details may result in the special effect being prohibited.

# BUILD UP/BREAK DOWN RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Important Information Regarding Stand Approvals

Exhibitors who have taken "Space Only" sites must supply, erect and decorate free standing 2.5m partitioning on the periphery of their sites where they adjoin another stand. If this partitioning wall is higher than 2.5 metres, the rear of the wall adjoining any neighbour must be dressed down in plain white to 2.5 metres. Any side or dividing wall on the aisle must not exceed 2.5m in height.

There is no limit on installation length on walls under 1.50m. For any wall alongside a gangway, the length of the wall may not exceed 50% of the total length, except where the wall does not face or obstruct another stand. The remainder of the wall may be permitted to be clear safety or tempered glass or a Perspex derivative, but only following approval from the organisers.

Stand plans showing the floor and elevation measurements must be sent to the Organiser and Health and Safety Contractor as per the Exhibitor Manual.

**Please note:** A "Space only" stand does not include walling, power, floor covering or furniture. Sufficient walling must be provided to ensure all cabling is concealed. For "Space only" stands with platforms, please ensure exposed corners are rounded/splayed where adjoining a gangway.

All persons working within the Exhibition Hall during full CDM build up and break down timescales are **required to complete appropriate site induction** and Manchester Central now requires that only regulatory yellow or orange hi-vis should be worn in the Halls during periods of Build Up or Breakdown of the exhibition. Safety footwear is always advised but a strong soled shoe with ankle support can be worn at your own risk (Exhibitors only). This does not apply to periods of "soft build and soft breakdown" as identified within this Manual or to Contractors who are required to wear safety footwear during periods of build and breakdown.

This is to assist in the safety of contractors, organisers and Manchester Central staff during what can potentially be a particularly hazardous environment. Please note that the Organisers will not have a supply of hi-vis vests. These can be purchased at the Venue's concierge desk in the Central Foyer.

It is predicted that on the majority of occasions, exhibitors will not be required to wear a high visibility vest as by the time they are scheduled to have access to the hall, hazardous activity should be complete but they will be required to wear them during the breakdown if it is their intention or requirement to stay on site beyond the permitted 1-hour time slot allocated for "soft "breakdown at the close of the Exhibition on 5<sup>th</sup> June.

This is in addition to appropriate protective wear (for example hard hats, steel toe/appropriate footwear etc.). CDM (Construction, Design and Management) Regulations 2015 were implemented within the exhibition and conference sector on 6th April 2016. They do not replace any existing legislation but are intended to provide a framework to help you ensure that your stand is constructed safely and help you understand your obligations.

These documents should be viewed as a summary for meeting minimum requirements and should at all times be used in conjunction with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, HSE's exhibition specific guidance on CDM2015 and also the HSE's official L153 guidance on CDM.

### Welfare Arrangements

The majority of requirements required through CDM are already in place at most major UK Venues and this information will be detailed on the Site Rules & Information (Project Management Form) which will be provided to all space only contractors as part of the site induction process:

 Access to toilets, seating, drinking water and a retail food outlet or alternative source of food will be documented within this piece of information.

Over and above that, you should ensure that the Welfare of the team carrying out the construction is planned for. Think about:

- Working hours
- Equipment required

During the Hard Breakdown, regulatory yellow or orange hi-vis and appropriate footwear must be worn in accordance with mandatory CDM Regulations.

Please be advised that contractors at this Event must wear hi-vis vests and safety footwear where they are involved in manual handling and construction unless their own Event Risk Assessment indicates that other engineering controls have been introduced which only require "appropriate footwear" to be worn or if the contractor has a medical exemption letter from their GP confirming the wearing of safety footwear is detrimental to their foot health. In such circumstances, contractors will be required to complete a disclaimer on site confirming their own personal liability should an accident/injury occur as a direct consequence of not wearing 'safety footwear'. Please be advised that requests for the non-wearing of safety footwear for no reason other than "they are not comfortable" will not be granted especially if their employing Company stipulates the wearing of safety footwear within their individual Risk Assessment.

### Vehicles and Pedestrian Routes

It is difficult to completely separate vehicle and pedestrian routes during an event build-up and breakdown. However, there may be designated operational forklift lanes which will be in use at specific times and will be identified on site. It is imperative that all space only contractors working adjacent to the lanes ensure that their stand materials/equipment do not jeopardise or infringe upon clear movement in these areas. Additionally, please be clear with any staff that you are bringing on site that care should be taken at all times.

If your teams are operating in loading areas they should be aware of the movement of traffic and should wear hi-visibility clothing as a minimum. Where you are able to drive a vehicle within the event perimeter your driver should be made aware that pedestrians have right of way AT ALL TIMES and there will be speed restrictions in place.

Whilst every endeavour is made to secure the halls during build-up and breakdown we would ask that all exhibitors are extremely vigilant whilst the access doors are open and always ensure that someone is on the stand at all times.

No goods should be left unattended at any time. Neither the Organisers nor Manchester Central can accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.



## EXHIBITION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### **EXHIBITION TERMS AND CONDITIONS DEFINITIONS**

'Application Form' means the application form for making a Booking for the Event as completed by the Exhibitor and submitted to and accepted in writing by the Organiser; 'Exhibitor' means the party referred to as such in the Application Form and such expression includes the Exhibitor's employees and contractors; 'Event' means the event referred to in the Application Form; 'Exhibits' means all displays, brochures, leaflets, documents, promotional materials, computer and other equipment, banners, signs and other items that the Exhibitor brings to the Venue pursuant to the Contract; 'Charges' means the charges, excluding VAT thereon, payable by the Exhibitor to the Organiser in connection with the Booking as set out in the Application Form; 'Manual' means the Organiser's Event Information Pack to be provided to the Exhibitor prior to the Event and as the same may be updated or revised from time to time: 'Organiser' means British Cardiovascular Society and its successors and assigns; 'Terms and Conditions' means these terms and conditions; "Contract" means the contract between the Organiser and the Exhibitor for the Booking comprising the Application Form, the Manual and these Terms and Conditions; "Booking" means the reservation and use of allocated space for the Exhibits at the Event pursuant to the Contract; "Venue" means the Venue for the Event referred to in the Application Form subject to any change made thereto under the Contract.

### PROMOTION AND REPRESENTATIONS

The Organiser shall organise and promote the Event in such manner as it considers appropriate. No representation or warranty is made by the Organiser as to the manner in which it will promote the Event or that any other exhibitor will attend the Event or that any number of attendees will attend the Event.

#### **DISPLAYS AND EXHIBITS**

The Contract provides the Exhibitor with a limited, non-exclusive licence to access and occupy the designated space allocated to it at the Venue for the Event and during the times provided for in the Manual. The Exhibitor shall only be entitled to display materials and items that comply with the Manual and acceptance by the Organiser of the Application Form shall not be taken to imply its acceptance of any proposed Exhibit. The Exhibitor must satisfy itself that all Exhibits comply with the Manual and undertakes not to display or bring into the Event any materials, documents or information that may be offensive in any way or defamatory or which may be dangerous or harmful including (but without limitation) explosives, detonating or fulminating compounds and any inflammable materials. The Organiser reserves the right to require the Exhibitor to remove any Exhibit at its sole discretion that it considers, in its absolute discretion, does not comply with the requirements of the Manual. Exhibits shall be installed at the Exhibitor's expense and the Exhibitor shall remain fully responsible for the Exhibits which, while at the Venue, shall be at the Exhibitor's risk.

### **SERVICES AT THE VENUE**

The Organiser will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure the supply of the services provided to exhibitors at the Event as set out in the Manual but shall not incur any liability to the Exhibitor if any service fails or is not available for any reason outside of the Organiser's reasonable control. The Exhibitor agrees that the Organiser and/or the Venue operator and their contractors may at any time enter the Venue during or prior to the Event and execute works, repairs and for other purposes and no compensation will be payable to the Exhibitor for damage, loss or inconvenience so caused to any Exhibits or other property of the Exhibitor.

### **ALTERATION TO ALLOCATED STAND**

The Organiser reserves the right, without being required to give notice to the Exhibitor, to alter at any time the layout of any Event floor plan or the position or specification, including its the size, shape or design, of any stand including the Exhibitor's stand provided that if the floor space allocated to the Exhibitor is reduced, the Charges shall be reduced proportionately to the amount of such reduction in space.

### **ERECTION OF STANDS AND EXHIBITOR PROPERTY**

The Exhibitor acknowledges that the Organiser has appointed official stand contractors and, where directed by the Organiser, the Exhibitor must engage these contractors and at its cost for the construction of the Exhibitor's stand provided that the Exhibitor may be permitted to appoint its own contractor for the shell scheme and interior of its stand with the prior written consent of the Organiser. For Stand plans, showing the floor and elevation measurements and, for non-shell scheme stands, a dimensional drawing with full details of the Exhibitor's stand must be provided to the Organiser in the form and at the timings stated in the Manual. If the Booking is for "Space Only" the Exhibitor must, at its own cost, supply, erect and decorate acceptable freestanding partitioning on the periphery of their sites where they adjoin another stand in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Manual which must not exceed 2.50m in height. Stand plans, showing the floor and elevation measurements must be sent to the Organiser as provided for in per the Manual. The Exhibitor is responsible for any loss or damage to its property or that of its employees or contractors and for any injury, loss or damage to any persons or to their property caused by any act or omission or negligence of the Exhibitor or any of its employees or contractors and the Organiser accepts no responsibility for any such matter.

#### RESTRICTIONS

Banners may only be rigged above the space allocated to the Exhibitor save for sponsor banners that have been approved in writing by the Organiser and all banners must meet the applicable requirements of the Manual. Promotional items such as brochures, leaflets and other documents, promotional goods and merchandise and signs may only be placed by the Exhibitor within the space allocated to it on the final floor for the Event and are not permitted in any aisles, public areas or conference rooms at the Venue. The Exhibitor shall not promote, advertise, distribute or otherwise display information or invitations to seminars, meetings or events unless the Organiser has approved the seminar, meeting or event in writing. Filming is strictly prohibited during the Event.

### **CHANGES TO THE EVENT**

The Organiser may change the venue, time and date of the Event at any time and for any reason up to six months before the start of the Event [in which case the Organiser shall notify the Exhibitor in writing of any such change and the Booking shall be deemed to relate to the re-scheduled Event]. The Organiser may change the venue, time and date of the Event at any time prior to the date of the Event if, for any reason outside of the Organiser's control, it is unable to hold the Event at the original venue, time or date [in which case the Organiser shall notify the Exhibitor in writing of any such change and the Booking shall be deemed to relate to the re-scheduled Event]. The Organiser shall have no liability to the Exhibitor under or in connection with the Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise, in the event that the Event does not occur on the agreed date or time or at the agreed location as a consequence of any reason outside of its control, including, but are not limited to, the outbreak of war, act of terrorism, civil riots, governmental or other obstacles for to the freedom of travel, union actions, natural disasters, fire, flooding and or any other circumstances that fall within the meaning of the above, save for the repayment of any Charges paid by the Exhibitor to the extent that it cancels the Booking in accordance with the preceding provisions of this clause.

### **GENERAL LIMITATIONS ON ORGANISER'S LIABILITY**

The Organiser shall have no liability to the Exhibitor for any claim under or in connection with the Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise, for any loss of profits, loss of sales or business, loss of anticipated savings, loss of use or corruption of software, data or information, loss of goodwill or for any special, indirect or consequential loss or damage. The Organiser's liability for any and all claims under or in connection with the Booking and/or the Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty or otherwise, shall not in any event exceed the sum of all Charges paid by the Exhibitor to the Organiser for the Booking. Nothing in the Contract shall exclude any liability of the Organiser for death or personal injury caused by the Organiser's negligence or arising from the Organiser's fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.

### **USE AND CANCELLATION OF SPACE**

The Exhibitor must occupy the space allotted to it one hour before the start time of the first day of the Event failing which the Exhibitor shall be deemed to have given notice to cancel the Booking on the basis that the full amount of the Charges shall be payable by the Exhibitor and accordingly no refund shall be made of any Charges paid and the Organiser may resell or reallocate such space for its own benefit. The Exhibitor may only cancel the Booking with the prior written consent of the Organiser which it may withhold in its absolute discretion. Any request for cancellation must be made in writing and submitted by registered post to the address of the Organiser (and marked for the attention of the relevant person) provided for in the Application Form and received by the Organiser at least three months prior to the first day of the Event. The Organiser shall be entitled to withhold its consent to a cancellation request for any reason including if it is not able to re-let the cancelled space in its entirety. If the Organiser consents to a cancellation request it shall be entitled to payment of and/or retain (i) 10% of the Charges if the cancellation is accepted more than twelve (12) months prior to the Event; or (ii) 50% of the Charges if the cancellation is accepted after that time and up to three (3) months prior to the Event.

### **PAYMENT**

The Organiser shall invoice the Exhibitor for the Charges in accordance with the payment schedule referred to in the Application Form. The Exhibitor shall pay the Organiser's invoices within 30 days of the date of the invoice or, if later, by the due date for payment of the relevant invoiced amount in accordance with the payment schedule. All payments to be made by the Exhibitor under the Contract shall be made in full and in cleared funds to the bank account stated in the applicable invoice. All amounts payable by the Exhibitor under the Contract are exclusive of VAT which shall be invoiced by the Organiser and paid by the Exhibitor in addition to the Charges. If the Exhibitor fails to make any payment in accordance with the Contract by its due date then, without prejudice to the Organiser's other rights or remedies, the Exhibitor shall pay interest on the overdue amount at the rate of 8% per cent per annum above the base rate from time to time of NatWest Bank plc such interest to accrue on a daily basis from the due date of the payment until actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment.

### **TERMINATION**

In addition to any other rights and remedies the Organiser may have, the Organiser may terminate the Contract immediately upon written notice being given to the Exhibitor to its address stated in the Application Form if (i) the Exhibitor fails to pay any amount to the Organiser when due under the Contract; (ii) the Exhibitor commits a material breach of any of its obligations under the Contract or persistently breaches the terms of the Contract; or (iii) the Exhibitor goes into voluntary or involuntary liquidation, becomes insolvent, or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors or has a receiver, administrator or administrative receiver appointed over the whole or any part of its business, assets or undertaking. In the event of termination of the Contract by the Organiser pursuant to this clause: (i) all sums payable by the Exhibitor to the Organiser shall become immediately due and payable on

demand; (ii) the Exhibitor shall reimburse the Organiser for all costs and expenses (including legal and other professional costs and expense) that it suffers or incurs as a consequence of the event giving rise to such termination or from recovering payment from the Exhibitor of any amount due under the Contract; and (iii) the Organiser shall have the right to remove and dispose of any property of the Exhibitor that may be present at the Venue and remove and/or exclude the Exhibitor and its staff from attending the Event.

#### **INDEMNITY**

The Exhibitor is responsible for and shall fully indemnify the Organiser against all costs, claims, demands, proceedings and losses whatsoever made against or incurred by the Organiser as a result of the Exhibitor promoting, advertising or exhibiting any goods or services at the Event.

#### **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties in relation to the provision of the Booking and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter. The Exhibitor agrees that it shall have no remedies in respect of any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made innocently or negligently) made by or on behalf of the Organiser that is A0486.0005\14585889.2 A0486.0005\14585889.3 not set out in the Contract and that it shall have no claim for innocent or negligent misrepresentation or negligent misstatement based on any statement in the Contract.

### **ASSIGNMENT**

The Exhibitor shall not be entitled to assign, sublet, share, or grant licences in respect of the whole or any part of the space allocated to it. The Organiser shall be entitled to assign its rights and obligations under the Contract subject only to giving written notice to the Exhibitor of any such assignment.

### **APPLICATION OF TERMS**

These Terms and Conditions apply to the Contract to the exclusion of any other terms that the Exhibitor may seek to impose or incorporate, including on any booking form or purchase order or other document. All terms and conditions that may be implied by law or which are implied by trade, custom, practice or course of dealing are hereby excluded to the fullest extent permissible.

### **GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION**

The Contract is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales and the English Courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect of any dispute arising in connection with the Contract.

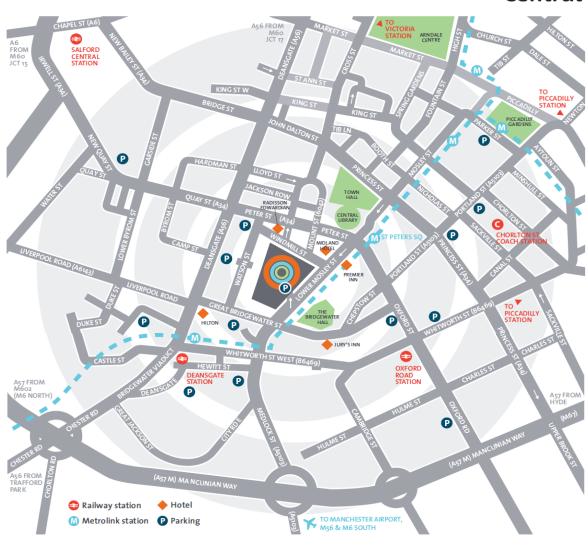
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### GETTING TO MANCHESTER

### **Getting here**





Manchester is at the heart of a comprehensive motorway network. Manchester's M60 orbital motorway provides easy access from north, south, east and west. Manchester Central's address is Petersfield, Manchester M2 3GX.

### M6 (from south - Stoke, Birmingham)

Leave the M6 at junction 19, just after Knutsford Services. Follow the A556 towards Altrincham and pick up the M56 towards Manchester Airport. Follow the motorway onto the A5103 (Princess Parkway), then follow signs for Manchester Central, Petersfield.

#### M6 (from north - Preston, Carlisle)

Leave the M6 at junction 21a for the M62 towards Manchester. At junction 12, join the M602 and continue to the end of the motorway (Regent Road Roundabout, Salford). Follow signs to the city centre along Regent Road, and then to Manchester Central, Petersfield.

#### M62 (from west - Liverpool)

At M62 junction 12, join the M602 and continue to the end of the motorway (Regent Road Roundabout, Salford). Follow signs to the city centre along Regent Road, and then to Manchester Central, Petersfield.

#### M62 (from east - Leeds, Yorkshire)

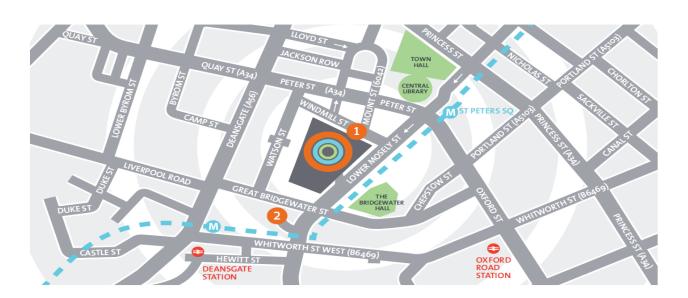
At M62 junction 18, join the M60 westbound. Take junction 17 onto the A56 (Bury New Road) and follow signs to the city centre, and then to Manchester Central, Petersfield.

### M56 (from west – North Wales, Chester)

Follow the M56 past Manchester Airport. Continue onto the A5103 (Princess Parkway), then follow signs for Manchester Central, Petersfield



### DELIVERY ACCESS









Approaching from Windmill Street







Approaching from Medlock Street







Approaching from Lower Mosley Street

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