

## **SecD-Day guidelines for the handling of weapons, ammunition, blades and bow and arrow weapons at the stand**

For safety reasons, please ensure the following regarding the accessibility of exhibition items to visitors and their overnight storage arrangements:

- Firearms must not be operational. Firearms should be rendered non-functional using methods such as inserting a chamber flag, applying a trigger lock, removing or disabling the firing pin, or other means that ensure they are non-operational display items. This is to prevent visitors from using the firearm with any ammunition they might bring.
- An exhibitor must always be present at the stand during opening hours. The exhibitor is responsible for maintaining safety, presenting firearms, bladed weapons, and archery equipment, and will keep an eye on visitors to the stand. The presenter must ensure that the weapons are not pointed in such a way that other visitors at the fair feel unsafe. There will certainly be many visitors at the event who have no experience with firearms.
- Firearms on display must be secured to the wall/structure with a **durable** steel cable threaded through the trigger ring. It is recommended to use 6 mm plastic coated wire (the steel wire inside the plastic is 4 mm). The plastic coating gives a toughness and does not wear out the weapon.
- No firearms should be left loose inside glass display cases.
- No functioning ammunition in stands.
- Steel weapons are stored in a display case, display rack or under other protection/plex.
- Safe storage and handling of bows and arrows must be ensured.

### **Other to note:**

- When leaving the stand in the evening, check that each weapon is locked and that bladed weapons and bow and arrow weapons are in locked cabinets or lockers.
- Weapons should not be stored in a car in the parking area.
- The exhibition hall will be locked at night and a security guard will be present in the hall throughout the night.

### **Sale of Air Guns and Pre-Assembled bows and arrows**

The sale of air guns and pre-assembled bows and arrows is permitted at the stand under the following conditions:

- Packages must be "sealed" using zip ties, duct tape, or a similar method.
- Customers must be instructed not to open the packages within the exhibition area.

For any safety-related matters, please do not hesitate to contact the event's hall manager.

Kindly notify us in advance regarding any weapons to be brought to the venue, no later than 30 days prior to the event.

**Further information:**

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