

# WHAT ARE FREIGHT SERVICES?

As the official service contractor, Freeman is the exclusive provider of freight services. Material handling includes unloading your exhibit material, storing up to 30 days in advance at the warehouse address, delivering to the booth, the handling of empty containers to and from storage, and removing of material from the booth for reloading onto outbound carriers. It should not be confused with the cost to transport your exhibit material to and from the convention or event. You have two options for shipping your advance freight — either to the warehouse or directly to show site.

## HOW DO I SHIP TO THE WAREHOUSE?

- We will accept freight beginning 30 days prior to show move-in.
- To check on your freight arrival, call Exhibitor Services at the location listed on the Quick Facts.
- To ensure timely arrival of your materials at show site, freight should arrive by the deadline date listed on the Quick Facts. Your freight will still be received after the deadline date, but additional charges will be incurred.
- The warehouse will receive shipments Monday through Friday, except holidays. Refer to the Quick Facts for warehouse hours. No appointment is necessary.
- The warehouse will accept crates, cartons, skids, trunks/cases and carpets/pads. Loose or pad-wrapped material must be sent directly to show site.
- All shipments must have a bill of lading or delivery slip indicating the number of pieces, type of merchandise and weight.
- Shipments received without receipts or freight bills, such as Federal Express and UPS, will be delivered to the booth without guarantee of piece count or condition.
- Certified weight tickets must accompany all shipments.
- Warehouse freight will be delivered to the booth prior to exhibitor set up.

## HOW DO I SHIP TO SHOW SITE?

- Freight will be accepted only during exhibitor move-in. Please refer to the Quick Facts for the specific exhibitor move-in dates and times.
- All shipments must have a bill of lading or delivery slip indicating the number of pieces, type of merchandise and weight.
- Shipments received without receipts or freight bills, such as Federal Express and UPS, will be delivered to the booth without guarantee of piece count or condition.
- Certified weight tickets must accompany all shipments.

## WHAT ABOUT PREPAID OR COLLECT SHIPPING CHARGES?

- Collect shipments will be returned to the delivery carrier.
- To ensure that your freight does not arrive collect, mark your bill of lading "prepaid."
- "Prepaid" designates that the transportation charges will be paid by the exhibitor or a third party.

## HOW SHOULD I LABEL MY FREIGHT?

- The label should contain the exhibiting company name, the booth number and the name of the event.
- The specific shipping address for either the warehouse or show site is located on the Quick Facts.

## HOW DO I ESTIMATE MY MATERIAL HANDLING CHARGES?

- Charges will be based on the weight of your shipment. Each shipment received is billed individually and is subject to the applicable show weight minimum. The shipment weight will be rounded to the next 100 pounds. Each 100 pounds is considered one "cwt." (one hundred weight). All shipments are subject to reweigh.
- On the Material Handling Order Form, select whether the freight will arrive at the warehouse or be sent directly to show site.
- Next, select the rate for the freight category that best describes your shipment. There are four categories of freight:

**Crated:** material that is skidded or is in any type of shipping container that can be unloaded at the dock with no additional handling required.

**Special Handling:** material delivered by the carrier in such a manner that it requires additional handling, such as ground unloading, stacked and constricted space unloading, designated piece unloading, loads mixed with pad-wrapped material, loads failing to maintain shipping integrity, and shipments that require additional time, equipment or labor to unload. Federal Express and UPS are included in this category due to their delivery procedures.