Stand construction authorisation for your exhibition stand

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We will check your stand concept on the basis of the plans you submit in order to issuing a stand construction authorisation. To give you a better overview, we have summarised all the information, items and prices below. These serve as a guide as to whether and to what extent your stand construction elements require acceptance or measures relevant to statics or fire protection.

Please note the final submission deadline is six weeks before the start of set-up.

Stand constructions not requiring authorisation	Stand constructions require authorisation
– For single-storey stands • that are not considered to be special constructions • whose stand area is less than 100 m² • whose height does not exceed 4,00 m	– Exhibition stands located in outdoor areas – Temporary structures – Mobile stands – Two-storey stands – Special structures and special constructions. These include: • Stand structures and exhibits that are more than 4 metres in height • Closed ceilings • Platforms and stages higher than 0.20 m • Glass constructions • Moving components

You can also use the link to submit topics relating to fire protection and safety (such as drone flights, vehicles, pyrotechnics, fog, pressurised gas or lasers).

→ Click here for the plan submission (as pdf file, max. 10 MB) ←

Excerpt from the Technical Guidelines
Inspection and approval of structures requiring a permit

Dimensioned stand plans drawn to a suitable scale (e.g. 1:100) and accompanied by floor plans and perspective views with German or English labelling shall be submitted for approval by no later than six weeks before the start of set-up to Messe Frankfurt Venue GmbH, Department Technical Event Management.

After the stand plans have been inspected, they will be stamped as having been approved and then returned to the exhibitor / stand constructor. Stand construction may not commence until the plans have been stamped as having been approved.

For the approval of:
– Special constructions
– Two-storey structures
– Stands in outdoor areas
– Temporary structures
– Cinemas and auditoriums
– Stages and platforms

the following documentation (in duplicate) must be submitted in German by no later than six weeks before the start of set-up.

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a) Structural calculations complying with German building standards which are checkable or have been checked by a second independent structural engineer
b) Building description specifying the materials used (including certificates where applicable)
c) Stand construction drawings to a suitable scale, e.g. 1:100 (floor plans, perspectie views, sectioned views) as well as a ceiling plan with dimensions of the closed ceiling area(s).
d) A plan detailing the rescue routes that includes the lengths and widths of each.
e) Submission of a type certification / certification book renders item a) superfluous.

The absence of structural calculations examined by a second, independent structural engineer will result in additional costs for the exhibitor / stand constructor.

In the event that structural computations examined by a second, independent structural engineer are not submitted, Messe Frankfurt will commission a firm of engineering consultants to check the plans and separately invoice the exhibitor for their services.

On-site structural inspection:
The structural engineer will contact the stand construction manager at a specified time / after consultation in order to inspect the structural characteristics and approve the stand construction on site. The costs of the approval process (inspection of the submitted documents and on-site approval) will be invoiced to the exhibitor / stand constructor.

All Technical Guidelines are available for download on the Messe Frankfurt website:
https://www.messefrankfurt.com/frankfurt/en/services.html#guidelines

If you have any questions, please contact the Technical Event Management department at Messe Frankfurt, phone +49 69 75 75-59 04, E-Mail standapproval@messefrankfurt.com.

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The following costs may be entailed by stand structures requiring approval in 2026:

On-site structural inspection for two-storey structures; per inspection	1.495,00 €
Structural inspection for walls/constructions higher than 4.00 m or LED walls; per inspection	499,00 €
Structural inspection for adertising materials, floor/ceiling connections or product presentations; per inspection	499,00 €
Structural inspection for accessible glass constructions and platforms / rotating platforms higher than 20 cm or rotating stages in exhibition halls or outdoor areas; per inspection	499,00 €
Structural inspection for structurally complex constructions and movable product presentations, e.g. walls/constructions/modules; per inspection	965,00 €
Structural inspection for stands in outdoor areas, 1 - 100 m² without an upper storey; per inspection	499,00 €
Structural inspection for stands in outdoor areas, 101 - 1,000 m² without an upper storey; per inspection	965,00 €
Structural inspection for stands in outdoor areas, 1 - 1,000 m² with an upper storey; per inspection	1.495,00 €
Structural inspection for tents in outdoor areas, 1 - 100 m²; per inspection	499,00 €
Structural inspection for tents in outdoor areas, 101 - 1,000 m²; per inspection	965,00 €
Structural inspection for movable product presentations / walls / modules and structurally complex constructions; per inspection	499,00 €
Onsite structural safety inspection regarding tilting, sliding and uplifting for filigree structures in outdoor areas, (e.g. folding displays, small tents, party tents or light tents) including 32 m² and max. 4 m height (no static check of the components and connections); per inspection	170,00 €

The following costs may be entailed for fire protection in 2026:

Fire alarm system, 1 – 800 m² enclosed area; per m²	54,00 €
Wall hydrant, Type “S” (for self-help); per hydrant	830,00 €
Flue gas fan; per fan	970,00 €
Visual and acoustic warning system; per system	325,00 €
Sprinkler; per sprinkler	939,00 €
Push-button alarm; per alarm	465,00 €