



BEFORE THE EXHIBITION

BIOMEDICAL WASTE

Companies with exhibits that include the use of animal tissue, human tissue, disposable needles, sharps, human blood, or products contaminated with blood must complete the ASCRS liability waiver and the hazardous waste removal order form and pay the corresponding fee for removal of the waste no later than **May 14, 2021**.

Additional information including the liability waiver and hazardous waste removal order form can be found in the Exhibitor Service Kit available online in February.

BIOMEDICAL HAZARDOUS WASTE (SUPPLIES & REMOVAL)

Companies with exhibits that include the use of animal tissue, human tissue, disposable needles, sharps, human blood, or products contaminated with blood must complete the ASCRS liability waiver, the hazardous waste removal order form and pay a fee for the removal of the waste. A Freeman representative will drop off the supplies you requested to your booth on **Friday, August 13**. You will be required to drop off your medical waste at the designated location near the service center, at the close of the show, every evening. Exhibitors should dispose of any waste products they generate during the exhibition in accordance with guidelines established by the facility.

More information can be found in the service kit available in February.

LASERS & OTHER POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS LIGHT SOURCES

Any exhibitor who will be utilizing or displaying lasers (inoperable or operable) or other hazardous optical sources will be required to review the ASCRS Laser Safety Guidelines and submit the laser safety use form to the Exhibits Manager no later than **March 17, 2020**. This form will be in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

LASER SAFETY INSPECTIONS & REGISTRATION

The exhibiting company utilizing or displaying lasers during the ASCRS Exhibit Hall and Subspecialty Day will be subject to a laser safety inspection performed by an outside expert along with an ASCRS staff member. A schedule will be provided before move-in begins onsite.

Absolutely no lasers will be displayed without first being inspected and approved by the laser safety inspector.

Identification signs stating the class of laser, inoperable or not FDA approved at this time, are required to be displayed for such lasers. Signage must be displayed at all times during the show or

equipment housing the laser will be removed immediately, at the expense of the exhibitor.

Exhibitors with lasers may also be subject to, without notice, an inspection by the Department of Health. Should the state feel that the laser(s) do not meet approval, the exhibitor will not be permitted to use the laser(s) during the show.

FLAMMABLE & TOXIC MATERIALS

All materials used in display, construction or decorating should be made of fire-retardant materials and be certified as flame retardant.

Samples are required to be available for testing pre-show and onsite. Materials that cannot be treated to meet the requirements are not permitted for use. A flame-proof certificate is required to be available on hand for inspection by the fire marshal.

Flame retardant certificates must be sent to the Exhibits Manager by **May 14, 2021**.

Exhibitors should be aware of local regulations regarding fire/safety and environment, which must be adhered to.

All gas cylinders must be securely fastened to a carriage or to a fixed location at all times, and may be subject to fire marshal review.

SPECIALTY GASES

If you will need to order specialty gases, please contact:

Messer Industrial Gases

1-833-7MESSER

Electronics.cs@messer-us.com

Please contact the Exhibits Manager for further explanation and detail.

FDA REGULATIONS

Exhibitors must abide by all applicable Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations, including but not limited to any or all approval requirements. Exhibitors are reminded that the FDA generally prohibits the advertising or other promotion of investigational or unapproved drugs and devices. The FDA also forbids the commercial promotion of approved drugs or devices for unapproved uses.

Unapproved devices may be displayed only if they are the subject of an effective investigational device exemption (IDE) or if they are the subject of a pending 510(k) pre-market notification application. Exhibitor is required to post a sign stating the device or product is not FDA approved at this time.

Any investigational product that is displayed or graphically depicted within the exhibit must (a) contain no claims of safety or effectiveness, (b) contain no comparative claims to other marketed products, and (c) be accompanied by a sign clearly and prominently stating that the device is limited by federal law to investigational use and is not approved by the FDA for commercial distribution in the United States.

Exhibitors may not sell, commercialize, or take orders or names with respect to an investigational drug or device, or a device that is subject of a pending 510(k) application, unless limited to research or investigational use.

These restrictions are not intended to limit the full exchange of scientific information regarding an investigational drug or device. If the FDA or a court of competent jurisdiction determines that a company's exhibit at an ASCRS meeting is in violation of any FDA regulations, including but not limited to the promotional restrictions and rules described above, the company may be subject to sanctions, including but not limited to exclusion from exhibiting at subsequent ASCRS meetings.

Concerns or questions regarding compliance with FDA regulations should be addressed to the appropriate agency within the FDA.