

The MAHO Expo goes IN-PERSON for 2021 with the following Safety Protocols in place:

Masks, Social Distancing, Hand Sanitizing Stations



- The MAHO Expo 2021 is a two-day show. Survey's indicate (Exhibitors: 57.1% / Retailers: 81.5%) providing a complete program for all attendees is a must and so is safety. By organizing a show on Saturday and Sunday it will allow half of our attendees to spend all six hours on the show floor and still maintain social distancing guidelines. During Saturday's show day the other half of attendees will participate in seminars and lectures. On Sunday the schedule for attendees will be reversed. All who attended the show on Saturday will participate in seminars and lecture and vice-versa.
- ◆ The MAHO Expo 2021 show floor will have (28) 9 x 10 Booths; 30 3 x 8 Tabletops (Staggered for Social Distancing)
- ✓ Wide 9'6" perimeter aisles, 9' aisles between tabletop rows AND Directional & Traffic Pattern Signage
- Speaking Opportunities (Meals or non-meal sessions...Meal sessions confirmed first)
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Advertising
- ✓ Your Application and Contract is attached to this email along with the Rules and Regulations for the show. Please review the floor plan and note your placement selection on the completed contract and either fax, email or snail mail back to the MAHO Office along with your full payment. Please email or call @ 1(800) 795-6246 if you have other questions and we will try to answer those for you. We look forward to hearing from about joining us for the MAHO Expo!







## **APPLICATION AND CONTRACT**

## 45TH ANNUAL CONVENTION & MAHO EXPO

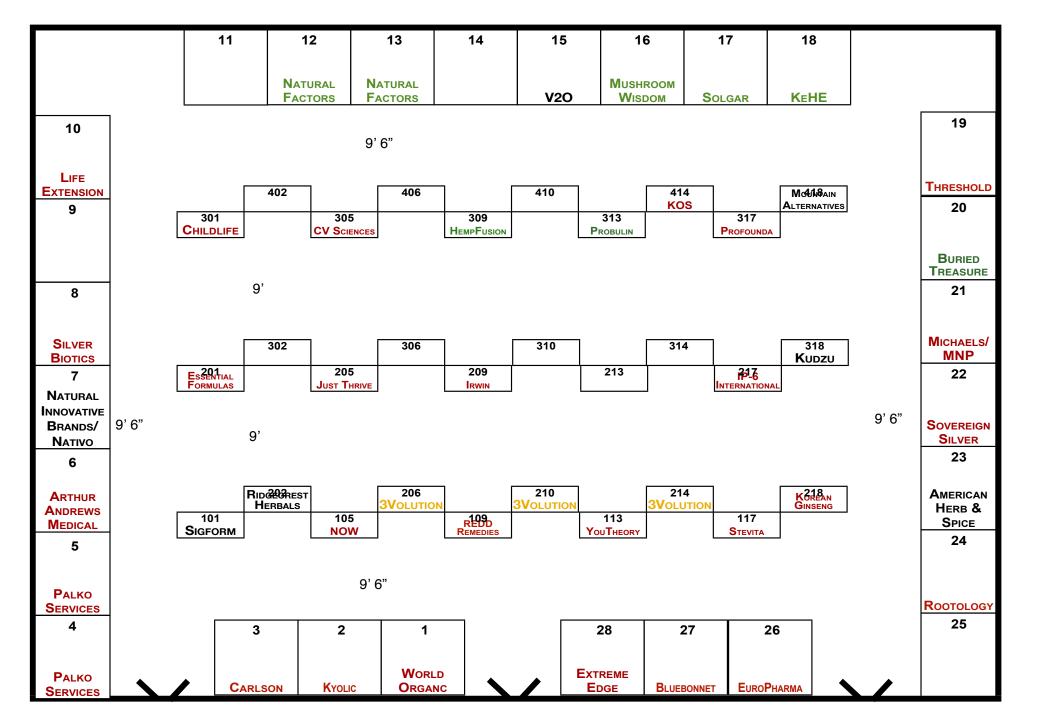
JULY 23-25, 2021 (Two-Day Show: Saturday + Sunday, July 24 + 25, 2021)

This contract is specific to Summer 2021 and COVID large gathering guidelines. Exhibitors are to comply with ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS contained in any Exhibit Information and as may be issued in official bulletins. Application for the following spaces are at the rental prices specified in the contract. For contract clarification the use of the word space(s) will refer to Booth/Tabletop Exhibit Space. IT IS IMPORTANT to designate your first (1) through fourth (4) choice of location in order of preference, this will assist us in assigning an alternate space as close to one of your choices as possible in the event your first choice has been assigned. Applications will be considered based on their arrival at the MAHO Office. Phone/Fax reservations will be accepted with immediate credit card payment, in full, and signed contract. BOOTH/TABLETOP CHOICES: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Total # Booths Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ Total # Tabletops Requested: \_\_\_\_ Exhibitors must AGREE to accept the space(s) assigned, submit the Exhibit Application and Contract and pay full cost of space(s) as required. PAYMENT POLICY: 1. All accounts MUST be paid in full with the completed, signed contract. 2. Any Changes or Cancellations need to be made within 30 days of signed contract. No changes or cancellations will be accepted after May 1st. Company Name(s): Exhibiting as(limit: 26 characters including spaces and punctuation): PRINT name as it should appear on Booth/Tabletop Sign and in Show Directory. PRINT ALL information as it should appear on Badges and in Show Directory. Address: Toll Free: City: Zip: Phone: Fax: State: Website: Email:

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MAHO Annual Membership \$200 *You MUST be a 2021 MAHO Member to exhibit at this show.  Premium Booth Space (9'x10') \$1,600 Social distancing determined an adjustment in booth size for 2021.  Tabletop Space (3'x8') \$800 One (1) Company/Table due to social distancing guidelines.  Total Amount Due: All payments in full are due w/signed contract.							
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Accepted applicants will be notified with an Exhibitor Confirmation/Invoice, specifying the space allotted. When this application is accepted by Management, it becomes a working contract between the company (exhibitor) and MAHO (management). A signature acknowledges Rules & Regulations and is required as part of this contract.

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## MAHO Expo & "Summer Splash" Convention Exhibit Rules And Regulations

These Rules and Regulations have been drawn up for the purpose of providing a well-balanced, well-regulated, attractive and successful MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention. Convention Management reserves the right in all emergencies to make such ruling as may appear to the best interest of the entire exhibition and the exhibitor agrees to abide by such rulings. Your company and all its representatives agree to abide by all the conditions, rules and regulations listed in this pamphlet as well as all other related materials published concerning the show.

WHO SHOULD EXHIBIT: The Natural Products and Food Industry ... Manufacturers, Brokers, Distributors, Wholesalers and Suppliers of natural foods and health related products, publications and appliances. Exhibitors will be marketing to retail outlets of the Natural Products Industry. This is a trade event and not a consumer show.

**ELIGIBILITY:** All products to be exhibited at the MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention must be available through a retail store; if a product can be picked up by an independent dealer and sold from a home, it does not qualify for exhibiting at the MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention. Management reserves the right to request a copy of business license, insurance and references.

APPLICATION FOR SPACE: Each company whose products/services will be displayed/promoted must be the company/business firm that applies for and occupies the exhibit booth(s). Application for space must be made on the space application/contract provided. Applicants are requested to indicate their preference for spaces, starting them in the order of choice. One company may order any amount of exhibit space. Applicants who will represent other companies in exhibit space may include a maximum of two (2) companies per each booth. Multi-booth applications will be considered with a single company's products when management considers priority for specific booth spaces. When two (2) companies share an exhibit tabletop space each must have its own MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention Exhibit Contract.

BOOTH / TABLETOP ALLOCATIONS: All MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention Exhibitors must be MAHO members. All booth/tabletop space will be allotted by MANAGEMENT. No part of any exhibit space may be sublet without the written permission of Management. All previous year MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention exhibitors qualify for the Exhibitor Loyalty Booth Pre-Sale and will be given first priority when allocating exhibit space. October 15, is the first available postmark date for all other exhibitors. Exhibit space will be allocated using the postmarked date followed by the quantity and types of booths purchased and sponsorships.

**BOOTH / TABLETOP REQUIREMENTS & SETUP:** Exhibitors can distribute materials only from the booth site or purchased promotion zone. Exhibitor setup is Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. The Show Floor opens at 10:30 a.m. All EXHIBITORS MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE THEY WILL BE PERMITTED TO SET UP THEIR EXHIBIT; ALL EXHIBITS ARE TO BE COMPLETELY SET UP NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M. SUNDAY.

**BOOTH PRICE INCLUDES:** 10' x 10' booth space with draped back walls and three-foot side railings. (1) 2' X 6' X 30" Skirted Table, (1) 7" x 44" ID Sign (2) Chairs - (1) Wastebasket

TABLETOP PRICE INCLUDES: (1) 2' X 6' X 30" Skirted Table, (1) 7" x 44" ID Sign, (2) Chairs - (1) Wastebasket

Exhibit Hall is carpeted. Exhibitors, at their own expense, may purchase additional booth carpeting and/or tables/furniture directly from the designated show decorator. Security - Exhibit hall will be locked after the show floor closes. 24 hour on site security throughout the facility.

**BROKERS:** Brokers are allowed only two firms per booth. Brokers must register all manufacturers and products in each booth upon submission of space application. Brokers must advise MAHO and Show Decorator of all booth signs and badges needed, as well as complete company listings for the Show Directory, no later than 6/30. Any information submitted beyond that day will be included only as space permits. Additional signs or badges requested after 6/1, or on site will be subject to applicable printing and/or registration fees. (Four badges per booth, two badges per tabletop, any additional badges will be \$10.00 each.) Any special requests or requirements must be made to MAHO or Show Decorator in advance. Companies that contract with or change brokers after space has been contracted with MAHO will not receive refunds, and will only be relocated as space permits. Booth relocations are based on availability and subject to a \$50 service fee and will be the responsibility of the company and/or broker for any charges associated with signage or changes in booth requirements.

\*CANCELLATION OF EXHIBIT SPACE: Once the MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention contract is signed and exhibit space is allocated, you are contracted to exhibit space. An exhibitor who cancels, downsizes or moves its booth space reservation must pay a cancellation fee, shown on contract, plus a \$100 administration fee, which allows MAHO to recover the administration expenses incurred in preparing for the participation of the canceling exhibitor and which it will incur in attempting to resell the booth. Cancellations must be made in writing. Once cancellation is received, the space will be reallocated at the sole discretion of show management.

COMPLAINT PROCEDURE: The Management agrees every exhibitor has the right to exhibit without harassment from another MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention attendee. If you find a product or literature you consider questionable, please notify show management. A special committee will be available for the show management to notify in order to address the issue. All other issues should also be reported directly to the show management as soon as possible during the convention.

**COOKING FOODS:** Foods cooked at exhibitor's booth for sale on show floor is prohibited. Exhibitor must abide by rules of the Hilton Columbus At Easton. No open flame devices allowed. Access to electricity may be purchased by the contracting exhibitor, from The Hilton Columbus At Easton.

**EXHIBITS:** The Management reserves the right to prohibit the installation or removal from the exhibition any exhibit or part of an exhibit, any exhibitor or employee, which, or who, in the opinion of the Management is objectionable. This may apply to the actual exhibits, to signs, catalogs, souvenirs and printed matter or to persons and their conduct, and include violation of the Rules and Regulations set forth on this application, misrepresentations in applying for booth space and any other action, which, in the sole judgment of the management is objectionable or contrary to the best interests of the Association. Such prohibition or removal may take place at any time and no exhibitor shall have any claim against the Management on account of such action. Exhibitors cannot obstruct the vision to other booths by displays, signs, etc. Booth roof and aisle panels cannot extend more than 4 feet forward from the back wall, or be more than 8 feet high. Side panels that extend beyond 4 feet from the back wall may not exceed 3 feet in height for the balance of the distance (forward to the aisle). No part of the booth, signs or props may exceed 8 feet in height at any location. Reasonable variance will be considered provided renderings/sketches are presented to Management at least 60 days in advance of move-in. If you have any questions about your display, contact Convention Management immediately.

**EXHIBITOR CREDIT:** The exhibitor will furnish to Management, upon request, credit information and credit reference.

**EXHIBITION SERVICE & LOGISTICS:** George Fern Exposition and Event Services is the official exhibition company. Shipping and handling information will be provided. An Exhibitor Service Kit containing detailed information will be sent directly to you in ample time for advance planning, at no cost, from the show decorator George Fern. The Kit will contain information regarding shipment, labor, electrical service, rental items, exhibit hours, etc. Service order forms for all available services will be included and should be returned promptly. Exhibitors must abide by the rules outlined in the Exhibitor Service Kit. SHIPMENTS: All shipments of booth material must be shipped fo George Fern, **NOT** the Hilton Columbus at Easton.



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**EXHIBITOR SAMPLES:** Exhibitors may only distribute samples, products, literature or other material from their booth site or purchased Promotion Zone, and nowhere else in the Hilton Columbus At Easton or adjoining hotels during the trade show. Violations may result in closure of the exhibitor's booth without refund. Samples should be provided at no cost. Selling of Samples or products is prohibited.

EXHIBITOR SOCIAL FUNCTIONS: Exhibitors are prohibited from holding any function simultaneously with any scheduled MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention. Exhibitors must get approval, in advance, from the Trade Show Director for such activities. Penalties for such violations will include removal of the company's exhibit, without refund, and exclusion from the next MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention.

FALSE, MISLEADING OR DISPARAGING LITERATURE AND/OR PRODUCTS: Show Management reserves the right to request that signs, catalogs, souvenirs and literature be submitted for review prior to accepting this application or prior to booth setup. MAHO is committed to producing a trade show that represents all segments of the health food/natural products industry. Any company making claims about products or dispensing literature that cannot be substantiated with significant scientific data in their booth may be subject to removal from the trade show floor without refund. MAHO does not permit the display of products labeled, marketed or promoted as "legal highs", or "street-drug knockoffs" or products intended to mask substance abuse or interfere with substance abuse tests. If you find a product or literature you consider questionable, see Complaint Procedure.

FORCE MAJEURE: MAHO shall not be liable for delay or failure of performance with respect to this subscription caused by an Act of God, action by any government or quasi-governmental entity, fire, flood, insurrection, riot, explosion, embargo, terrorist attacks, strikes whether legal or illegal, labor or material shortage, transportation interruption of any kind, work slowdown, or any condition beyond the control of the MAHO ("Force Majeure Events"). In such event, MAHO shall be entitled to retain such portion of the Contract Price as required to compensate MAHO for expenses incurred up to the time of the Force Majeure Event.

GOODS TO BE EXHIBITED: No exhibitor shall promote or exhibit or permit to be exhibited in the space allotted to him/her any goods other than those specified in the MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention Exhibitor Application and Contract, when signed by management, nor shall he/she exhibit or permit to be exhibited thereon displays or advertising other than his/her own or as specified in the MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention Exhibitor Application and Contract. No exhibits/displays/signs/personnel will be permitted in the Hilton Columbus At Easton common areas or adjoining hotels in any place other than the regular assigned exhibit space or purchased Promotion Zone.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS:** Management requires that exhibitors who are handling food samples be aware of and follow any applicable State Health Department requirements which may apply to food handling. Management will not assume responsibility for monitoring these requirements.

HOLD HARMLESS: It is understood that MAHO or the Hilton Columbus At Easton or legal entities which own, lease, and/or operate these entities nor their members, officers, directors, or employees shall be responsible or liable for injury to any person or persons or for loss or damage to any property belonging to the exhibitor or any person or persons while in the Hilton Columbus At Easton or his goods while in transit to or from the building or while in the building for any cause whatsoever or otherwise, except for the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Hilton Columbus At Easton and their employees. The exhibitor assumes full responsibility and liability for all loss, damage, or destruction of the property of the exhibitor, his guests and all property of the Hilton Columbus At Easton used by the exhibitor or brought upon the Hilton Columbus At Easton premises in his behalf, except for the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Hilton Columbus At Easton and their employees. The exhibitor assumes full responsibility and liability for all injury to any and all persons or property in any way connected with the exhibitor display caused by the exhibitor's employees. The exhibitor or persons the MAHO or the Hilton Columbus At Easton and legal entities which own, lease, and/or operate the Hilton Columbus At Easton and MAHO, their members, officers, directors, and employees against any and all damage to property or personal injury caused by the exhibitor or his agents, representatives, employees, or any other person.

**INSURANCE OF EXHIBIT:** The Management has provided security and will use every possible effort to safeguard exhibitor's property. MAHO cannot be held responsible for products in exhibits. If insurance is desired, it must be purchased by the exhibitor at his own expense, no exhibitor may allow any article that will void or raise the premium of the insurance held by MAHO or the Hilton Columbus At Easton. Exhibitor is responsible for any damage it inflicts on the facilities. Any violation will cancel the contract for exhibition space without refund.

**LIABILITY:** Exhibitor agrees that if MAHO should incur liability for any act whatsoever, as determined by an appropriate court of law or any other binding, decision making body, the damages to which the exhibitor shall be entitled shall be limited to the amount of the exhibit fee paid by exhibitor.

MUSIC, PHOTOGRAPHS, PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEMS, AND ANY COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL: Loud speakers, public address systems or other audio visual aids, which may be distracting or disruptive, are prohibited. Final decision as to the level of distraction remains with show management. Each Exhibitor is responsible for obtaining all necessary licenses and permits to use music, photographs or other copyrighted material in the Exhibitor's booth or display. No exhibitor will be permitted to play, broadcast or have performed any music or use any other copyrighted material, such as photographs or other artistic works without first presenting to Management proof satisfactory that the Exhibitor has, or does not need, a license to such music or copyrighted material. Management reserves the right to remove from the exhibit all or any part of any booth or display which incorporates music, photographs or other copyrighted material for which the Exhibitor fails to produce proof that the Exhibitor holds all required licenses. The Exhibitor shall remain liable for and shall indemnify and hold Management, their agents and employees, harmless from all loss, costs, claims, cause for actions, suits, damages, liability, expenses, and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising from or out of any violation or infringement (or claimed violation or infringement) of any patent, copyright or trade secret rights or privileges by Exhibitor, Exhibitor's agents or employees.

**PRE-SHOW DISCOUNTS:** Management respectfully requests that exhibitors at the MAHO Convention & Buying EXPO refrain from offering pre-show discounts to retailers. This practice is harmful to the show and discourages show attendance.

**PAYMENT OF EXHIBIT SPACE:** The appropriate (50% deposit) must accompany space application. Please see contract for cancellation fees. Payment in full must be received on the date indicated on Exhibit Contract. Any and all spaces not claimed and occupied before 9 a.m. of opening day may be sold or reassigned without refund. \*For confirmed participants in Exhibitor Loyalty Booth Pre-Sales Option please refer to email and corresponding contract info.

**SMOKING:** The Hilton Columbus At Easton Smoking is a 100% smoke free facility. Smoking is prohibited at all times in the exhibition hall and during MAHO EXPO & "Summer Splash" Convention specified events.

**SUBLEASING:** Exhibitors may not sublet their space, or any part thereof.

**TEAR DOWN OF EXHIBITS:** No exhibits may be removed from the exhibition hall from the time of the opening of the show until closing time except on written permit from the Management and the permit will designate the hours at which that removal is to take place. Penalty for tear down of booth before official closing (per program) on Sunday, SHOW DAY, will mean loss of priority in space selections for the next year's show or may be subject to a refundable deposit to act as a bond.