BCEC WEAPONS PERMIT

The WHS act 2011 specifies responsibilities of a person conducting a business or undertaking. The activity noted in this permit form has been identified by BCEC as high risk, and as such we require additional information prior to the activity being approved.

We require that you as the event organiser, contractor or exhibitor complete the sections of this permit form applicable to you and submit it to BCEC at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the event.

Contact Details					
Applicant Name (Exhibitor, performer, BCEC Client)		Company:			
Phone:		Email:			
Event Details					
Event Name:		Activity dates:			
		Stand Name:		Stand No:	

Purpose
This permit assesses the temporary possession, storage, display, and regulated sale of specified weapons at events at BCEC. **Weapons brought into BCEC are subject to strict compliance requirements.** **This includes weapons used for:** • Commercial exhibition and sale. • Demonstration and display • Cultural, ceremonial and educational purposes **This permit does not override license requirements where applicable.** **BCEC base building security requirements must be complied with at all times**
Scope of Weapons covered by this permit

Controlled Weapons (as defined under Schedule 2, Weapons Categories Regulation)
• Knives (including utility, hunting, collector and decorative knives)
• Swords, daggers, bayonets and similar edged weapons
• Martial arts implements (e.g. nunchaku, throwing knives – where applicable exemptions apply)
Replica Weapons
• Non-functional replicas of firearms
• Historical reproductions
• Theatrical or display-only items incapable of firing ammunition
Gel Blasters
• Gel blasters that:
  ○ Comply with current QLD classification requirements
  ○ Are not permanently modified to discharge prohibited projectiles
Ceremonial and Religious Items
• Kirpans
• Ceremonial swords or knives
• Cultural artefacts with edged or weapon-like characteristics

Sharp edged implements such as those used for cooking demonstrations / shows, which could be used as a weapon.
Other hunting and sporting items including but not limited to crossbows, bow and arrow, spear guns.

Key Conditions of Approval

- All activities must comply with:
  - Weapons Act 1990 (Qld)
  - Weapons Regulation 2016 (Qld)
  - Any QPS directives

Person's dealing in weapons are responsible for ensuring that where applicable they hold appropriate:

- Dealer licenses
- Firearms licenses (if applicable)
  and
- Follow all requirements under licence provisions

For detailed information on weapons categories please refer to: https://www.police.qld.gov.au/weapon-licensing/about-weapons

Security and Storage

During Operational Hours:
Weapons exhibited, used for performances or sold must minimize risk to public safety by being;

- Secured via display cabinets, adequate tethering, or under approved controlled access
- Displayed in a manner that prevents handling without staff supervision
- Displayed under clear signage which indicates for example: "*Controlled Weapons – Do Not Handle Without Permission"*

Outside Operational Hours:

- All weapons must be:
  - Removed from the premises, or stored in locked, secure containers
  - Protected against unauthorized access, theft, or tampering

Note – BCEC base building and exhibition halls/associated rooms do not constitute a locked storage container. Where storage requirements are not met outside of operational hours, charges apply for allocating appropriate resources to maintain security of items.

Sale and Transfer Conditions

- Vendors are responsible for ensuring Sales comply with all applicable laws:
  - No sale of prohibited weapons
  - All items sold must be placed in securely sealed packaging, clearly marked *"do not open in venue"*
  - Controlled weapons must only be sold to persons aged **18 years or older**
  - Vendors must take reasonable steps to ensure the purchaser is of lawful age and has a lawful reason for possession (as required under QLD law)

Handling and Demonstration

- No live demonstrations involving:
  - Discharge
  - Edge contact
  - Projectile firing
- Demonstrations outside of the above requirements are subject to exceptional approval, and must be:
  - Controlled and supervised
  - Conducted in designated secure areas, if permitted

Note – Charges apply for BCEC resources allocated to demonstrations without prior exceptional approval and proper supervision.

Gel Blaster Restrictions

- Gel blasters must:
  - Not be operated within the venue
  - Not loaded with gel balls within the venue
  - Not be discharged at any time
  - Be displayed in safe mode (e.g. battery disconnected where applicable)

Transport to and From Venue

- Weapons must be transported:
  - Securely wrapped or contained
  - Out of public view where practicable
- Transport must comply with lawful excuse provisions under QLD legislation

Incident Reporting

- Any incident involving:
  - Theft
  - Loss
  - Injury
  - Breach of conditions

  Must be reported immediately to:
- Event Organiser
- BCEC Representatives (Security or CEC)
- Queensland Police Service (QPS)

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BRISBANE CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

Weapons Details	
Please provide details of weapons to be brought on site:	
Please provide qty of weapons to be brought on site:	
Please advise what these weapons will be used for:	
Please advise how these weapons will be secured during operational hours:	
Please advise how these weapons will be secured outside of operational hours (if applicable):	
Please provide information on transport and packaging of weapons for sale (if applicable)	
Please advise of any weapons licenses or permits you hold (if applicable)	

Mandatory Requirements - Please tick the boxes to indicate you have read and understood.

☐ I have obtained permission from the Event organizer to undertake the activity	☐ I hold a current certificate of public liability not less than $20million
☐ I have assessed the activity and implemented the appropriate risk control measures as required by this permit	☐ I hold the appropriate weapons licenses and permits, where applicable
☐ I have supplied relevant and accurate information regarding the type and quantity of weapons to be brought into BCEC	☐ I understand that if the applicable requirements in this permit are not met the activity will not be permitted to proceed

Permit Agreement (to be completed by person responsible for the work to be performed)

This activity has not been authorised to occur at BCEC until written confirmation of its approval is provided by BCEC, and in such circumstance, BCEC makes no representation, warranty or guarantee about the safety or legality of the activity or the completeness or accuracy of the information provided within this form, which is at all times the sole responsibility of the person listed in the Contact Details.

BCEC undertakes regular compliance checks, and you may be required to provide additional evidence in relation to those requirements. If at any time, an activity or operation is considered by BCEC to be non-compliant with any legal or regulatory obligation, inconsistent with the information provided on this form, unsafe or placing persons, the venue or the environment at risk, BCEC representatives reserve the right to postpone or cancel the activity in its sole discretion until it is completely satisfied that its concerns are addressed, and any issues are rectified.

Any approval by BCEC for this activity to occur does not give rise to an acceptance of any liability, loss or damage caused by the activity.

For any additional information regarding the event safety requirement at BCEC please refer to the **BCEC Event Safety and Design Guidelines** on our website.

Signed:	Date:

BCEC OFFICE USE ONLY

Permit issued by:		Comments:	*Approved / Declined*
Date:		Additional information:	

This activity is not approved until confirmed by the BCEC Safety Department.