



ABU DHABI 2024

المعرض الدولي للصيد والفروسية
INTERNATIONAL HUNTING & EQUESTRIAN EXHIBITION



**BUYING &
SELLING
HUNTING
GUNS
GUIDELINE**

31 August – 8 September 2024

ADNEC - ABU DHABI

THE LARGEST EXHIBITION FOR HUNTING, EQUESTRIAN & HERITAGE
PRESERVATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA REGION



WEAPONRY EXHIBITORS AT ADIHEX ABU DHABI POLICE GUIDELINES

If you are part of the weaponry section Halls 1,2,3, Selling and displaying weapons, please ensure that you follow the guidelines set in this document carefully.

Please read and take necessary actions urgently to obtain Abu Dhabi Police approval for Shipping, Movement, and displaying of weaponry at ADIHEX 2024.

DEADLINES:

Weaponry list submission deadline **15TH JULY 2024**

Weapons **must arrive before 7th AUGUST 2024**

General Cargo to arrive before **25th AUGUST 2024**

WEAPONS ENTRY TO UNITED ARAB EMIRATES REQUIRMENTS

To obtain entry permit for your goods to the United Arab Emirates, please follow the below procedures:

Necessary Requirements

- a Provide list of countries authorized to sell to and list of countries not authorized to sell to
- b List of all weapons you intend to bring to the event; list must be submitted in Excel Format ONLY (Excel sheet provided by the Organiser). It is mandatory to attach the product catalogue, including photographs, along with the list (product photos should be sent in 3D format, so it can be listed in the system of weapon exhibition management).
- c Request for additional items will NOT be accepted after the NOC has been issued.

Other Requirements

- a Once your list is approved by Abu Dhabi Police, a copy of the NOC (No Objection Letter) will be sent to you along with the approved list.
- b Submit a copy of your trade license.
- c Letter of intention will be issued upon request.
- d Your list must be submitted by e-mail to: weaponry@adihex.com

FAILURE TO FOLLOW GUIDELINE WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR APPLICATION.

YOUR WEAPONRY SHIPMENT TO ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

- a Weapons must arrive at Abu Dhabi's ports only.
- b Indicate Abu Dhabi as the last destination of your shipment.
- c Shipments received by Abu Dhabi Police MUST match the NOC (No Objection Certificate) issued to you.
- d Packaging of weapons should be according to submitted list (item number = serial number).
- e Packing of DUMMY ammunition should be secured as per IATA shipping criteria and regulations.
- f No dummy cartridge or ammunition should be given away OR left after the exhibition. All dummies must be handed over to Abu Dhabi Police.
- g Unsold weapons must be sent back to the country of origin.
- h Proof of the returned weaponry to the country of origin must be provided by the exhibitor.
- i Ensure sufficient ammunition for testing purposes, especially for those with non-standard caliber.

DISPLAYING WEAPONS AT ADIHEX

The display of weaponry is strictly subject to the exhibition rules and regulations.

- a No live ammunition or explosives will be exhibited on the stands except models, dummy, inert or live cutaways.
- b It is a requirement from "Abu Dhabi Weapons & Explosive Department" that there should be no loose weapons on the stands or counters and all weapons **MUST BE PERMANENTLY TETHERED**.
- c Each weapon should have a trigger lock and be placed within a locked counter.
- d Failure to comply will result in inability of the company to display the weapon.
- e When not in use, all display counters should be locked.
- f The buyer will collect his item in accordance with the approved procedures by the authorities.
- g All storage doors of the shell scheme stand shall be wooden and properly secured (no folding doors are allowed).

All stand design will be shared to the authorities (Abu Dhabi Police – Ministry of Interior) for approval of the storage area. Police guidelines will be shared on a separate document.

On the (29th August 2024), 1800 all contractors need to leave the hunting gun halls in order to allow the weaponry handover. Failure to comply will lead to a fine being deducted from the performance bond.

WEAPONS' STORAGE AT ADIHEX

You may store your weapons within your stand provided that Exhibitors adhere to the following guidelines:

- a The storage area within your stand should be clearly indicated in your stand design and showing its capacity to hold every single item that will be stored in that area.
- b CCTV cameras **MUST** be installed in all storage areas in the weaponry zone, at the cost of the exhibitor. The arrangements must be made via the organizer.

Daily inventory of sold and unsold weapons will be conducted by the authorities together with exhibitor.

- c The display should be very well organized which will ease the daily inventory. The weapons should be secured and locked.
- d The storage area which shall be lockable or controlled by the security guard.

Only ONE employee can open the storage area.



WEAPONS ALLOWED AT THE EXHIBITION

- Rifles
- Pistols & revolvers
- Heritage swords & daggers
- Hunting knives
- Wooden & plastic archery items
- Shot guns, air guns



WEAPONS NOT ALLOWED AT THE EXHIBITION

- Knives & white arms that are not usually used for civilian purposes.
- Swords & daggers (excluding heritage)
- Fencing, spears & arrows
- Pickaxe & axes that are not usually used for civilian purposes
- Punching accessories made for killing or abusing
- Sticks with harpoon or heavily metals made for combat purposes
- Spear weapons
- Machete combat
- Pin or stick or roller chains, which ends with thorns
- Chains linked to white arms
- Auto guns/laser/live ammunition
- Laser, electric sticks and electric self-defence items

The companies in the exhibition are prohibited from selling air guns that are similar in shape or design to machine guns or "automatic firearms" (Paramilitary Weapons).

Night Vision and binoculars are not allowed for sale unless you have a special permit from the police.

DISPLAYING OF SILENCERS & LASER BEAMS

If you have received an exceptional approval for silencers and laser beams, please note that these will be displayed in an enclosed area such as a storage area, for private viewing only (for VIP Only)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

REGARDING PRESENTING AND SELLING WEAPONRY

- a Only specialised staff who are approved by Abu Dhabi – *Ministry of Interior*, will be allowed to present, discuss and sell weaponry to visitors – it is not acceptable to allow 'non-specialist' persons, including family members to present, discuss or sell weaponry products from a stand. "Weapons & Explosive Department" shall take all the legal procedures against violators, which might include penalties.
- b Each weaponry & co exhibitor appoints only 1 or 2 stands representatives to deal with Abu Dhabi Weapons & Explosive Department, to avoid congestion in the storage area.
- c Only the employees are allowed to man the stand.

SALE OF WEAPONS & AMMUNITION

The sale of weapons and ammunition (dummy ammunition) during ADIHEX is governed by instructions and procedures that are clearly presented to the concerned exhibitors for strict adherence.

- All invoices shall be generated digitally. You may rent laptop and printers from ADIHEX's suppliers or you may bring your own.
- The only permitted weapons to sell during the show are the lists approved by the Police. It is strictly prohibited to sell any live ammunition
- Please make sure that the buyer has got a license from Abu Dhabi Police – Ministry of Interior before selling him/her any weapon. Please make sure that each weapon is not sold to more than one person.
- Once the buyer has completed licensing, exhibitors must report the transaction to "Abu Dhabi Police – Ministry of Interior" for registration and documentation.
- Exhibitors selling weaponry must ensure to stop selling weapons by 20:00hrs daily except on the last day of the exhibition, time will be determined by the respected authority.
- We highly encourage exhibitors to keep sold items on display till the end of the show – to allow other visitors to experience the product.
- No exhibitor will be allowed to man its stand without his/her badge.
- Weapons under exclusivity shall obtain an approval by its agent before the selling.

If you are interested in buying a weapons, please be sure to read the instructions in this document carefully.

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR CITIZENS OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

UAE nationals can purchase Guns and Air Guns from the Abu Dhabi International Hunting and Equestrian Exhibition as follows:

- 1 Number of guns which buyer can purchase will be determined by the respected authority
- 2 Age limit to purchase guns is 21 years and above
- 3 The buyer needs to get a license from the Licensing Authority
- 4 The buyer needs to provide his/her valid ID

WEAPONS ALLOWED TO BE PURCHASED

- Rifles
- Pistols & Revolvers up to 9mm
- Heritage Swords & Daggers
- Hunting Knives
- Wooden & plastic archery items
- You can purchase Air Guns as per the following Abu Dhabi Police instructions:
 - 1 Air guns less than 8 joules need registration only
 - 2 Air guns 8 joules and up need license and it will be counted as part of maximum purchase of guns.
 - 3 People under the legal age are entitled to purchase air guns less than 8 joules under the consent and presence of a parent

PROCEDURES FOR PURCHASING RIFLES, PISTOLS, REVOLVERS & AIR GUNS

- 1 Register and apply online for a weapon license request by visiting the portal:
www.moi.gov.ae/ar/eservices/eservice.152.aspx
- 2 After receiving the approval notice, visit the Weapons Licensing Office at ADIHEX and collect your license.
- 3 Choose your weapon and complete the purchase order form available at the Exhibitor's stand.
- 4 The weapons licensing office will finalize the licensing procedure and deliver the weapon to the buyer / owner within their premises within the show.

PROCEDURES FOR BUYING WEAPONS FOR THE GCC NATIONALS AND OTHER COUNTRIES

- 1 Submit a "non-objection certificate" or an official document from the competent authority from the buyers' country, indicating the number and types of weapons authorized to purchase, along with the person's identification and all the supporting documents, to the licensing authority of the UAE Ministry of Interior.
- 2 Obtain a purchase permit from the licensing authority of the UAE Ministry of Interior.
- 3 Submit the purchase invoices to the licensing authority at the exhibition to complete the procedures.
- 4 The weapon will be sent by the licensing authority of the UAE Ministry of Interior, to the competent licensing authority of the buyer's country, to proceed with the licensing procedures to hand over the weapons.
- 5 The end-user certificate will be forwarded by the licensing authority of the buyer's country, to the licensing authority of UAE to pay for the restrictions of "items sold outside the UAE".
- 6 Provide any other requirements specified by the competent licensing authority.