

## ***Chicago Area Union Jurisdictions***

### ***Local 17 DECORATORS UNION***

Decorators handle installation of signs, drapery background, table skirting, and other items of a decorative nature that must be done after a display background is erected, such as photos, and framed and unframed pictures.

Exhibitors may hang their own corporate logos, small pictures and graphics when such items are designed to be attached by pre-set Velcro strips, permanently mounted hooks or snaps.

Exhibitors may skirt table(s) provided they do it with their own custom fit skirts, without the use of staples, snaps or Velcro.

Exhibitors may blow up balloons provided they are not used in the display.

### ***Local 314 ELECTRICAL UNION***

Electricians handle all electrical work, which includes supplying power lines to booths, connecting equipment to the proper outlets, and installing any signs or headers that are lighted, unless they are permanently attached to the exhibit backwall.

### ***GENERAL PROVISIONS***

In each case where these rules indicate that an “exhibitor may” do some type of labor themselves, this is interpreted to mean a full-time employee of the exhibiting company (full time throughout the year, verifiable documentation must be provided upon request).

Reasonable judgement must be used in determining when a task is so large or so time consuming as to require professional union labor.

### ***WHAT CAN I DO?***

Contrary to popular belief, exhibitors are allowed to do a few jobs in the comfort and privacy of their booths. Exhibitors are allowed to unpack and repack their own product. This does not include large displays shipped in pieces. However, if you are displaying some type of merchandise that comes in boxes, you can unpack and set it out for display providing no tools are required to open boxes. Exhibitors are allowed to do the technical work on their machines. For example: fine line balancing, programming, additional electrical work (in most cases) and cleaning of the machines.