

# RIGGING RULES AND REGULATIONS

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## Oregon Convention Center Rigging Rules and Regulations

### Rigging Defined

The term “rigging” as used in this document refers to the overhead suspension of objects **over 20 lbs** from any portion of the physical building. All rigging over this definition requires a rigging plot. CAD drawings of all spaces are available through your Event Manager. For rigging of banners and signs please see the “Signage, Banners and Decorations” section.

### Contractor Guidelines

- All rigging plots must be submitted through the Event Manager for review and approval no less than **(30) days prior to the event move-in date**.
- Rigging plots must include weight loads.
- The first review will be at no cost. Each additional review will incur a \$50.00 fee.
- No rigging will be allowed without approval. A rigging inspection fee of \$100.00 may be applied.
- Contractors are expected to abide by all rules and regulations of the OCC. All rigging must be done with rated, stamped, and approved hardware only.

### Allowed Rigging Points and Load Limits

#### EXHIBIT HALLS A/A1/B/C

**T1 Steel Beams:** 4000 lbs per panel point.

**Open Web Joist:** 500 lbs at a panel point, between T1 steel. Rigging is allowed from the top or bottom of the open web joist at the panel point **ONLY**. When wrapping around beams, a protective wrap must be used.

#### NOT Allowed

- **No rigging from any structure** other than open web joist and T1 beams.
- **No bridling** allowed from open web joist.
- **No live loads** on open web joist.

#### EXHIBIT HALLS D/E

**T1 Steel Beams:** 2000 lbs per panel point.

**Open Web Joist:** 1500 lbs at a panel point, per span between T1 steel.

Rigging is allowed from the top or bottom of the open web joist at the panel point **ONLY**. When wrapping around beams, a protective wrap must be used.

**NOT Allowed**

- No rigging from **any structure** other than open web joist and T1 beams.
- No bridling allowed from open web joist.
- No live loads on open web joist.

**OREGON BALLROOMS**

**Installed points:** To be used for conventional lighting fixtures on t-bars or as cable picks **ONLY**.

**High Steel:** 3000 lbs per beam

Access to the high steel requires penetrating the ceiling tile and is limited by the soffits and obstructions above the ceiling. Out of basket rigging may be required. See Oregon Ballroom CAD for “no rigging” zones. When wrapping around beams a protective wrap must be used. Repair of damage to insulation, conduit, ceiling tiles and any other structure will be billed back.

**NOT Allowed**

- No rigging from any structure other than installed points and high steel.
- No bridling.
- No live loads.

**PORTLAND BALLROOMS**

**Installed points:** 1000 LBS per points.

**NOT Allowed**

- No rigging from any structure other than installed points.
- No bridling.
- No live loads.

**MEETING ROOMS AND LOBBIES**

There are no weight-bearing points in these areas.

**TRIM HEIGHTS**

**Exhibit Halls:**

T1 - between 32'-34'

Open Web Joist - between 43'-45'

Light Squares - 30'

**Oregon Ballroom:**

Ceiling - 25'

Soffit - 23'

**Portland Ballroom:**

Ceiling - 29'

Soffit - 28'

### **Signage, Banners and Decorations**

- Non-motorized banners, aisle signs, aluminum framed hanging signs and other expo elements do not require a review, provided the point load is under **20 lbs**.
- Elements **over** 20 lbs require a plot submitted (30) days prior to the event move-in date for approval.
- Any element requiring the use of a chain hoist requires a plot to be submitted.
- Exceptions to the 20 lb rule may be made for banners hanging directly on a wall with approval of the OCC.
- All expo elements are required to meet the hardware standards set forth in this document. The use of trick-line and other non-rated hardware or non-rated synthetic cordage is prohibited.

### **NOT allowed**

- **No** hanging from hot rails in the Exhibit Halls (see Event Manager for locations).
- **No** hanging from light squares in Exhibit Halls.
- **No** hanging from lighting fixtures in Ballrooms.

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