

## RULES AND REGULATIONS OF MADE IN ASIA Version 8 of 11/01/2023. The present document replaces all previous versions.

- Bring or trade fireworks or other explosive materials to the venue.
- Bring and/or use or deal drugs, as well as enter the venue in a state of intoxication, or incite others to use drugs
- Distribute or post printed materials, leaflets, etc. or canvass without the organiser's prior written consent.
- Keep polls without the organiser's prior written consent.
- Steal or damage items that are property of Made in Asia, members of staff or visitors.
- Harass visitors as well as **Made in Asia** and/or Brussels Expo personnel and keep them from doing their job; behave aggressively towards other visitors and/or **Made in Asia** staff.
- · Commit acts of vandalism of any kind or participate in criminal association on the Brussels Expo site.
- Hold meetings and/or speeches, engage in propaganda, collect membership fees, raise funds, distribute free items as well as trade or sell items on the Brussels Expo site without the organiser's prior written consent.
- · Enter technical rooms or use service roads, even if they are unlocked or open to traffic.
- Behave in a way that is dangerous to yourself or others.
- Any visitor that infringes upon the prohibitions listed in this article (Article 7), as well as their accomplice(s), will be removed from the venue and an administrative fine may be imposed.
- Visitors who have been denied access to **Made in Asia** cannot re-enter the venue and can under no circumstances demand compensation.
- Visitors are personally responsible for any damage caused through carelessness, fault or negligence
  to other visitors, individuals or installations at Made in Asia. Persons accompanied by a carer are the sole
  responsibility of that carer. The organiser cannot be held responsible for damage caused by other
  visitors.
- Anything that points to discrimination, provocation or racism in whatever form is strictly prohibited, including as part of cosplay. This list is non-exhaustive.
- Made in Asia will not allow costumes that contain hate symbols or appropriate the symbolism of hate groups, including, but not limited to, historical/fiction-related/satirical costumes that are associated with Nazis.

### **ARTICLE 8 - WEAPONS**

- Visitors will at all times comply with the applicable legislation (both on a national and local level) regarding the carrying and use of weapons. In case of contradiction, said legislation always takes precedence over the present house rules.
- Instructions: weapon carriers must instantly comply with every request and/or instruction pertaining to the weapons they carry and/or use, whether issued by a policeman, a fireman and/or another public official, or by Brussels Expo security personnel or one of the organiser's crew members.
- Categories: three categories of weapons are distinguished:

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At **Made in Asia** prohibited weapons

Working firearms (even if unloaded), neutralised or decommissioned weapons, incendiary weapons, weapons designed exclusively for military use, switchblades, jack knives with lock, butterfly knives, throw knives, knuckle dusters, daggers, hunting knives, alarm pistols, firearms that look like something other than a gun, sword canes, gun canes, electroshock weapons, spray cans for 'self-defence', nunchakus, throwing stars and silencers. All working firearms, prohibited and permit required weapons by the Belgian Weapons Act shall be confiscated by the police and police report will be prepared.

Authorised Weapons

Objects intended as toys for children up to 14 years old (e.g. a one-tone plastic water pistol); objects that cannot be mistaken for an actual weapon (e.g. a light sabre from Star Wars or a phaser from Star Trek); swords and sabres not listed under "At **Made in Asia** Prohibited Weapons". Carrying authorised weapons inside the halls of Brussels Expo is allowed during **Made in Asia**. However, it is prohibited to take these weapons outside. On your way to and from Brussels Expo, authorised weapons must be kept in a sealed packaging at all times (e.g. a closed sports bag). It is also prohibited at all times to use the authorised weapons in a threatening and/or otherwise dangerous way inside the halls or on the premises of Brussels Expo. Abandoned authorised weapons will be confiscated.

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Stage Weapons

Fake weapons that do not fall under the 'Prohibited Weapons' category but that can neither be considered 'Authorised Weapons' (e.g. a decommissioned weapon that looks like a weapon from Stargate) can only be used on stage (e.g. for the cosplay competition) or in a closed-o area of the fan village. Stage weapons can only be used on stage and are also allowed at a stand in the fan village insofar as the latter is not accessible to the public, but they are banned from the rest of the convention. On your way to and from Brussels Expo, stage weapons must be kept in a sealed packaging at all times (e.g. a closed sports bag). Stage weapons must be stored out of sight when the owner is neither on stage nor physically present at the closed stand. It is also prohibited at all times to use stage weapons in a threatening and/or otherwise dangerous way inside the halls or on the premises of Brussels Expo. Abandoned stage weapons will be confiscated (see Article 11 of the Regulation).

If you are unsure as to the category your weapon belongs to, please say so at the box office and you will be referred to the appropriate person at the Weapon check. The weapon must not be removed from its sealed packaging until this person has told you to which category your weapon belongs.

### **ARTICLE 9 - LEAVING MADE IN ASIA**

- All visitors must leave at the latest at the announced closing time; staying past closing time is a punishable offence and an administrative fine may be imposed. Offenders are also banned for the remainder of the convention.
- Visitors wishing to return to Made in Asia later the same day must get a stamp at the entrance.

### **ARTICLE 10 - CLEANLINESS**

- Every visitor to **Made in Asia** commits to behaving in an environmentally friendly way during his visit to Brussels Expo. All waste material must be deposited in the appropriate waste bins.
- Diapers must be changed in the clearly signposted diaper-changing areas.
- The toilet facilities at Brussels Expo are clearly signposted. It is prohibited to relieve oneself outside these toilet facilities.
- Do not flush any non-biodegradable items down the toilet such as sanitary towels, diapers, wet wipes, etc. These are to be deposited in the sanitary waste bins.

### **ARTICLE 11 - LOST AND FOUND**

- Visitors are responsible for their own possessions. Lost and found items must be handed in at the info desk at the entrance to Brussels Expo.
- Made in Asia cannot be held responsible for the theft of, damage to or accidents involving lost and found items
- Loss or theft can be reported to police personnel present at **Made in Asia**. In case the police is not present, this can be done at the local police station.

#### **ARTICLE 12 - FOOD & BEVERAGE**

Both the menu and prices for food & drink are clearly displayed at each of the food & drink stalls.
 Prices are final and there is no redress.

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