

EXHIBITOR MANUAL
for the
TAMPA BAY FALL RV SHOW

November 7 – 10, 2024

Florida State Fairgrounds
4800 US Highway 301 North
Tampa, FL 33610
Facility: 813-621-7821



Regional President, Meri Thomas – Darren Thomas Glass Company

On-Site Show Managers:
Cole Costello, Regional Show Coordinator
Cell: 813-943-3502

Patty Flanagan, Show Director
Cell: 813-318-1487
Monday, November 4th – Monday, November 11th

Please take time to carefully review these materials as they will save you time and money to help make your experience more profitable and enjoyable. Please share this with all personnel working your exhibit at the show.

Florida RV Trade Association
5407 Boran Place, Tampa FL 33610
Phone: (813) 741-0488 · www.frvta.org

SHOW INFORMATON

Show Hours: Thursday – Saturday 9AM – 5PM Sunday, 9AM – 4PM

Admission: \$ 5 – Adults Children 16 and under Free

Parking: \$ 10 per car / \$ 16 per RV (for consumers)

Directions: Exhibitors must enter through the Orient Road gate (West Side) of the fairgrounds. Once through the guard gate, turn left at the T intersection, then turn right at the 3rd driveway (just past the horse stables).

From the North: Take I-75 South to exit 261 (I-4). Take I-4 to West towards Tampa. Take exit 7 (US Highway 301 / Hillsborough Avenue). The exit turns into Hillsborough Avenue. Take a Left at the first traffic light (Orient Road). You will go under the overpass for I-4 and the entrance to the fairgrounds will be on the left.

From the South: Take I-75 North to exit 260-B (State Road 574/ Martin Luther King Boulevard West). Take Martin Luther King Boulevard approximately 3 miles to Orient Road. Turn Right onto Orient Road and go approximately ½ mile. The entrance to the fairgrounds will be on the right.

From the East: Take I-4 West towards Tampa to exit 7 (US Highway 301 / Hillsborough Avenue). The exit turns into Hillsborough Avenue. Take a Left at the first traffic light (Orient Road). You will go under the overpass for I-4 and the entrance to the fairgrounds will be on the left.

From the West: Take I-4 East towards Orlando to exit 6 (Orient Road). The entrance to the fairgrounds is directly across the street on the Left.

SHOW SERVICES

Shipping & Decorator:

*Refer to appropriate order forms on website.

Expositions, Etc. by Chene Inc

Mailing: PO Box 22978

St. Petersburg, FL 33742

727-577-1168

Shipping: 4740 126th Avenue North, Suite A

Clearwater, FL 33762

Accommodations:

Comfort Inn & Suites

4506 Oak Fair Blvd.

Tampa, FL 33610

813-868-7770

Rates start at:

\$192.00/ night + tax

Staybridge Suites Tampa East

3624 N Falkenburg Rd.

Tampa, FL 33619

813-227-4000

\$145.00/night + tax

Fairfield Inn & Suites Tampa

10150 Palm River Rd.

Tampa, FL 33619

813-661-9719

\$144.00/night + tax

Exhibitor Camping:

Florida State Fairgrounds - 4800 US Highway 301 North, Tampa, FL 33610

813-740-4642

<https://tickets.floridastatefair.com/f/35>

Rates start at:

\$ 57.00/night + tax

Tampa East RV Resort - 4630 McIntosh Road, Dover, FL 33527

813-659-2504 * 800-454-7336

www.sunrvresorts.com/Community/TAM

Starting at \$ 62.90/night (including taxes)

Electric, Telephone and DSL:

Order forms available on website:

<https://tickets.floridastatefair.com/p/event/flrvta---fall-show>

RULES & GENERAL INFORMATION

Each exhibit must have a representative in attendance, their booth or display manned and RV units opened during all specified show hours. In the case of an emergency, running late, etc. please notify On-Site Show Manager.

Credentials: Each person working the exhibit is required to have an Exhibitor Button. Exhibitors MUST have an exhibitor button in order to enter thru the ticket gates without being charged. Be sure to request these buttons in advance via the website. Buttons will be available for pick-up on Move-in day. They will be given to your authorized rep or will be in your display/booth.

Parking: Exhibitors are to park on the West side of the show. Once through the guard gate, turn left at the T intersection, then turn right at the 3rd driveway (just past the horse stables).

Payments: All final payments for show exhibition are due prior to the first day of move-in. Exhibitors will not be permitted to exhibit with any outstanding balance.

Security: There will be security beginning Sunday, November 3rd, including over-night.
Note: The tent is closed each night at approximately 6:00 PM and will re-open at 8:00 AM.
Make sure that all units are locked, windows closed and all electronics, including lighting has been turned off. Be sure to place all personal belongings in a secure area.

Safety/Aisles: All products and display materials (such as tables, plants, chairs, signs, etc.) must be confined to the actual limits of your assigned area. No units or any part of unit (steps, slide-outs, mirrors and tail pipes) may extend into the aisles or other exhibitor's display. Avoid having unit entries on the main aisles.

Sound/Music: As per BMI and ASCAP regulations, the use of copyrighted music is prohibited. The use of microphones, and/or speakers must be kept at acceptable levels so as not to disturb other exhibitors.

Generators: On board generators are allowed in the outside displays provided that they do not exhaust into another exhibitor's display/booth.

ATVs/Golf Carts: May be shown for display purposes ONLY. No For Sale signs are permitted.

Animals: Wild or exotic animals are not allowed in the display space/booth.

Food/Concessions: Food will be available for purchase through Levy Restaurants, the authorized concessionaire for the show and the Florida State Fairgrounds, which has no affiliation with FRVTA. Open during show hours only.

Lost & Found: All items should be turned into Show Management.



**Lunch will be provided compliments of
Region 3 on Wednesday, November 6th
11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Concession tent located at West side of show**

DEALERS

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE:

All exhibitors need to make arrangements to lessen incidents within your displays. Such arrangements should include but are not limited to:

- Anti-slip strips or coverings on the entrance/exit and interior steps
- Ensure all steps are dry
- Slide-outs and 5th wheel hitches covered to help prevent head injuries i.e., fun noodle, pipe insulation, plants, signage
- All space between units not considered an aisleway be secured i.e., plants, signage/roped off
- All carpeting or floor coverings secured i.e., tape, nails, vehicle tires, signage
- Any wiring of any type covered or secured. Wiring under carpet/floor coverings clearly marked i.e., caution tape or safety cones
- “Watch Your Step”/HOLD HANDRAIL (if applicable) signage

Staging: Starting Sunday, November 3rd, you may begin to drop off units. Please use Midway, just south of the restrooms and the tower for staging.

*The appropriate RVIA seal must be carried on all show units, prior to being moved into show display.

Move-In: Please refer to your company’s scheduled time below.

Tuesday, November 5th

8:00 AM	Lazydays RV	Space # 120
	General RV Center	Space # 170
	Gerzeny’s RV World	Space # 210
12:00 PM	Blue Compass RV	Space # 200
	North Trail RV Center	Space # 220
	Gulf Atlantic Cottages	Space # 100

Wednesday, November 6th

8:00 AM	Ferman Chevy	Space # 105
	Optimum RV	Space # 110
	Blue Compass RV	Space # 130

Show Units: This is a new product (2024/2025 and newer) show ONLY.

- * A copy of the MSO must be on hand for possible on-site DMV inspections.
- * A sign with dealership’s name must be posted in display.

Demo Units: NO demo units allowed.

Off-Premises Permit: A completed copy of the off-premises permit must be on display at all times and a copy provided to the State Office prior to show opening.

Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

Attention: Christa Whaley

5701 East Hillsborough Avenue

NETPARK, Suite 2228

Tampa, FL 33610

Phone: (813) 612-7110

Fax: (813) 612-7111

E-mail: ChristaWhaley@flhsmv.gov

Bee Back Passes: Upon move-in or first day of show, each Dealer, (authorized rep from company), will receive 25 “Bee Back” passes. These passes are to be used for customers interested in returning to the show on another day to discuss a purchase. Please provide your company name on the “Bee Back” as the customer will need to present the pass at ticket gate for entrance. If you require additional passes, please see Show Manager.

Move-Out: Any movement prior to show ending at 4:00 PM on Sunday, November 10th will result in a \$500.00 fine. Exhibitors may begin to move-out once Show Management has given the all clear. All units must be completely off the facility grounds by 5:00 PM on Monday, November 11th. Any units remaining after that time may be subject to a fine or towed by the facility at owner's expense.

SUPPLIERS

Booth Specifications: Most booths are located in the Supplier Tent on asphalt. Each booth is a standard 10' x 10' with 8' high draped back wall and 3' high draped side rails to separate your space from adjoining booths. Note: If you have 2 or more booths, side rails are not used in between spaces. Each booth is furnished with one 6' skirted table and 2 chairs, and one identification sign 7" x 44" with the contracted company name. No exhibit shall exceed 3' in height for the first 7' and no signs, flags or banners taller than a total of 10'.

Solicitation: No distribution of any literature, giveaways, or presentations outside of your assigned booth area.

Sales Tax License: Each exhibitor is required to collect sales tax. Exhibitors must have Florida DOR Tax License on-site during show. Contact (850) 488-6800 or visit – https://floridarevenue.com/taxes/taxesfees/Pages/annual_resale_certificate_sut.aspx

Move-In: Exhibitors may start moving in on Wednesday, November 6th from Noon - 6:00 PM. Exhibitors MUST be fully set-up by Thursday prior to show opening at 9:00 AM. Exhibitors may enter show at 8:00 AM each day to prep/set-up booth.

Move-Out: Exhibitors may begin to break-down their booths once the show ends. Any movement prior to show ending at 4:00 PM on Sunday, November 10th will result in a \$500.00 fine. All materials must be cleared out of the tent by Midnight.

Booth Assignments: as of 10/28/24

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| 1. Darren Thomas Glass | 18. Ecool of Florida | 33. |
| 2. Nationwide Haul | 19. Cellular Sales | 34. |
| 3. Bigfoot Leveling Company | 20. Cellular Sales | 35. Yellowstone General Stores |
| 4. Leafilter Gutter Protection | 21. Travel Resorts of America | 36. Cricket Mini Golf Carts |
| 5. Wild Adventures Safari | 22. Elite RV | 37. Cricket Mini Golf Carts |
| 6. Nimble Wireless | 23. Elite RV | 38. RV Specialty Care |
| 7. Tressel | 24. Cutco | 39. CM National |
| 8. USA Tradeashows | 25. Dogs, Inc | 40. Natural Outdoor Supplies |
| 9. USA Tradeshows | 26. Dogs, Inc | 41. CM National |
| 10. Electric Pedals | 27. Dogs, Inc. | 42. Cricket Mini Golf Carts |
| 11. Electric Pedals | 28. That Mobile RV Guy | 43. Cricket Mini Golf Carts |
| 12. Gtec RV | 29. Paradise Found RV Resort | 44. Dry Flush |
| 13. Equity Lifestyle Properties | 30. Morgan Exteriors | 45. |
| 14. Euroshine USA | 31. Lazydays RV | 46. |
| 15. Euroshine USA | 32. Lazydays RV | 47. LazyDays RV |
| 16. Ecool of Florida | | 48. Lazy Days RV |
| 17. Ecool of Florida | | |

Note: Booths assignments are subject to change on-site by Show Management.