

Rigging Services

The MCCA provides rigging and overhead lighting services through our service contractor, JCALPRO.

Planning Ahead for Rigging & Lighting Services

Diagrams and booth layouts are essential for planning rigging and lighting services. In order to ensure efficient delivery of required services, Exhibitors must submit rigging plots, drawing, blueprints, or engineers' certification with their orders. Diagrams must include the location, dimensions and weight, and the height from the floor to the top of the suspended item. Diagrams must also show booth outline with aisles or neighboring booths marked for reference and orientation.

PACKAGE RIGGING SOLUTIONS The MCCA offers package rigging solutions for exhibitors with basic and straight forward sign hanging needs. To qualify for the packages, exhibitors must be flexible with regards to days and times of load-in and take-down.	DISCOUNT	STANDARD
Basic Rigging Package This package includes all lifts, labor, and rigging equipment (cables, pipes, and hardware) necessary to install and take down one sign/banner weighing less than 150lbs, measuring less than 20' in length, and less than 175 square feet. The package service is provided during standard service hours, Monday-Saturday 7am – 12am, except holidays. If service is required outside these times, then a Team Labor Hour must be ordered in addition to the package.	\$1,550.00	\$1,684.00
Electrical Rigging Package This package includes the Basic Rigging Package plus labor to connect electrical service to an Exhibitor sign/banner. Overhead electrical service for rotator, motor or lighted sign must be ordered separately. Please see Electrical services section for details.	\$1,794.00	\$1,988.00
Team Labor Hour Exhibitors may request rigging service on Sundays, holidays or outside the package service hours (Monday-Saturday 7am – 12am). In this case, a Team Labor Hour must be ordered for each rigging package ordered. In addition, when receiving a custom quote for rigging and lighting, team labor hours will be quoted for all labor hours required that are not covered by the Rigging Packages such as building of truss, focusing and attachment of lights, and lighting maintenance.	\$244.00	\$304.00

Custom Rigging & Lighting Solutions

The MCCA/JCALPRO also offers customized rigging and lighting solutions for Exhibitors with more complex or unique requirements. This option is best suited for Exhibitors with larger signs, multiple signs, and/or overhead lighting needs.

Custom Rigging and Lighting Solutions still require flexibility in load in and load out time. If you require a specific load in or load out day and/or time, hourly rates may apply (see Terms and Conditions – Page 17).

Custom Rigging & Lighting solutions may only be ordered with a pre-arranged quote.

Please contact JCALPRO at 1.617.954.2345 to initiate this process. Quotes will be issued in an easy-to-order format, and will typically include a base Rigging Package for labor charges and some combination of the following items as necessary.

** For Custom Rigging please contact JCALPRO at 617.954.2345, as these services are not available for online ordering.*

CUSTOM RIGGING SOLUTIONS	DISCOUNT	STANDARD
Truss A truss is an aluminum structure used to create a lower “ceiling” to hang lighting or other suspended items. It is available in 5’, 8’, or 10’ sections which can be attached to create desired lengths or height.		
Truss 5’ Section – Silver 12”x12” Box	\$25.00	\$30.00
Truss 8’ Section – Silver 12”x12” Box	\$40.00	\$48.00
Truss 10’ Section – Silver 12”x12” Box	\$50.00	\$60.00
Truss 5’ Section – Black 12”x12” Box	\$35.00	\$42.00
Truss 8’ Section – Black 12”x12” Box	\$56.00	\$67.00
Truss 10’ Section – Black 12”x12” Box	\$70.00	\$84.00
Truss 5’ Section – Silver 20.5”x20.5” Box	\$45.00	\$54.00
Truss 8’ Section – Silver 20.5”x20.5” Box	\$72.00	\$86.00
Truss 10’ Section – Silver 20.5”x20.5” Box	\$90.00	\$108.00
Corner Block A corner block is an aluminum piece that attaches to truss to create a right angle.		
Corner Block – Silver 12”x12” Box	\$50.00	\$60.00
Corner Block – Black 12”x12” Box	\$65.00	\$78.00
Corner Block – Silver 20.5”x20.5” Box	\$70.00	\$84.00
Base Plate A base plate is used as a stand for ground supported truss or poles.	\$35.00	\$42.00
Rotator A rotator is a motor used to rotate a hanging sign.	\$150.00	\$180.00
Motor A motor is a motorized pulley that is rigged to the ceiling and attached to truss to achieve a desired height. Motors are also used to safely suspend heavier items that cannot be supported by cables alone. Motors are available in ¼ ton, ½ ton, and 1 ton capacities.	\$150.00	\$180.00

Cheeseboro A cheeseboro is a clamp used to attach two pieces of truss or pipe together.	\$6.00	\$7.00
Grapple A grapple is a connector that allows you to make a 90 degree connection between trusses.	\$12.00	\$14.00

LIGHTING FIXTURES A variety of lighting options are available to brighten exhibit space. While lights cannot be attached directly to our ceiling, lighting can be suspended above exhibit space by utilizing truss and motors.	DISCOUNT	STANDARD
Source 4 Par (575 watt, 750 watt) This fixture is best used to create a wash effect or cover a larger area with light. It is available in 575 watt or 750 watt. Lenses are available in Very Narrow (VNSP), Narrow (NSP), Medium (MFL), Wide (WFL).	\$35.00	\$42.00
Source 4 Leko (575, 750 watt) This fixture is best used to create a spot light or to highlight specific spaces or objects. It is available in 575 watt or 750 watt. Lenses come in 19, 26, 36, 50 degrees to achieve the desired illumination from the light.	\$45.00	\$54.00
Par 64 (1000 watt) The Par 64 will deliver similar results as the S4Par, but there are no options for additional lenses. They are available in 1000 watts.	\$30.00	\$36.00

CUSTOM LIGHTING SOLUTIONS Lighting kits include a combination of Lekos, Source 4 Pars and Par 64s based on layout and design requirements. Price includes fixtures, fixture accessories and all necessary cables. Dimmer/control and labor are not included and must be ordered separately. Special Orders for larger kits are available upon request.	DISCOUNT	STANDARD
Small Lighting Kit (4-6 lights)	\$185.00	\$212.00
Medium Lighting Kit (7-11 lights)	\$325.00	\$390.00
Large Lighting Kit (12-15 lights)	\$450.00	\$540.00
X-Large Lighting Kit (16-20 lights)	\$550.00	\$660.00

DIMMER RACKS & LIGHTING CONTROLS	DISCOUNT	STANDARD
<p>These items are optional with individual fixtures or small lighting kits, but mandatory with larger lighting kits. The dimmer rack is a large “outlet” that all lights plug into to create a central control location. A dimmer rack, depending upon size, can be placed in a booth or attached to the truss and kept in the air. The lighting console/control plugs into the dimmer rack to dim or control individual lights, groups of lights, or all lights at once.</p> <p>Electrical service is not included and must be ordered separately.</p>		
Dimmer Control 1.2 x 4	\$80.00	\$96.00
Dimmer Control 2.4 x 12	\$150.00	\$180.00
Dimmer Control 2.4 x 24	\$320.00	\$384.00

Terms & Conditions

- JCALPRO is the exclusive rigging vendor at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center (BCEC). If an exhibitor is exhibiting at the BCEC and requires rigging services for the booth, JCALPRO is the only vendor authorized to hang signs, banners, or lighting in the booth space.
- If an Exhibitor requires specific load-in/load-out dates and/or times, then a base rigging package may not be applicable. In this case, a special quote for required crew and lift equipment will be prepared using the following hourly labor and weekly lift rental rates:

HOURLY LABOR ITEMS	MON-SAT 7AM-12AM (EXCEPT HOLIDAYS)	SUNDAYS 7AM-5PM AND HOLIDAYS	SUNDAYS AFTER 5PM ALL DAYS 12AM-7AM
Crew Chief	\$95.00	\$142.50	\$190.00
Head Rigger	\$95.00	\$142.50	\$190.00
Rigger	\$82.00	\$123.00	\$164.00
Dept Head	\$72.00	\$108.00	\$144.00
Stagehand	\$67.00	\$100.50	\$134.00

WEEKLY LIFT RENTAL ITEMS	RATE
24'- 32' Scissor Lift	\$600.00
40'- 45' Boom Lift	\$950.00
60' Boom Lift	\$1,550.00

- All rigging must conform to the rules, regulations, and facility limitations of the MCCA and any show management regulations.
- All equipment, signs, products, etc. must be designed to suspend safely. Care must be taken to use only rated rigging hardware when designing, constructing or purchasing such items. Any equipment, signs, products etc. deemed to be unsafe for overhead suspension by MCCA/JCALPRO will be substituted or denied.
- The use of any type of tape/adhesive for attaching signs, banners, or decorations to the building walls or decorative surfaces is not permitted.
- All assembly of equipment, signs, products necessary prior to hanging, etc., will be the responsibility of the Exhibitor.
- Failure by Exhibitor to submit accurate diagrams prior to load-in will delay set-up and could incur additional cost.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I know if I qualify for the Basic Rigging Package Rate?

Find out the dimensions and weight of your sign. If your sign weighs less than 150 pounds and is less than 20' in length and less than 175 square feet and does not require electrical rigging, truss, or motors, you will qualify for the Basic Rigging Package. If your sign is motorized or needs electrical rigging (for example a rotating sign or a sign with lights), you qualify for the Electrical Rigging Package.

Can I order lighting to be suspended from the ceiling?

If you would like to order lights to brighten up your booth or illuminate specific objects, you will need to get a **quote** from JCALPRO. In most cases, lights cannot be attached to our ceilings. Instead we can provide you with truss, using motors, to create a lower "ceiling" and then hang lights from that truss. We will require a diagram showing your booth layout and exactly what you want illuminated in order to put together a quote.

Do I ship my sign to you to put it together?

No. Although JCALPRO provides labor to hang the sign, the General Service Contractor (GSC) handles all shipments. You may build your sign or hire the GSC to put it together for you. When the sign has arrived at the building and has been assembled, we will hang it for you. Be sure to keep this in mind when making your time and day requests for sign hanging.

Can I request load in and load out times?

Yes, the Rigging Order Form has a space for you to indicate your preferred up and down times. Please note that your preferred timing is not guaranteed; however, we do try our best to cater to your requests. If you absolutely need a specific install or take down time, additional charges will apply. If you do not provide a diagram or layout prior to load-in, then you may experience set-up delays and additional cost.

What type of diagrams should I send?

The most useful diagrams are on a proportioned grid to show the dimensions of the booth, the exact desired placement of hanging items, and orientation of the booths around yours. As a general rule, pictures from previous shows and pictures of the sign only are not as helpful as current diagrams of the entire booth space with the placement, height, and weight of the sign(s) or hanging item(s).