

Safety Guidelines

*The exhibit must **not** include any of the following:*

1. Microbial cultures or fungi, live or dead. (No rotten or moldy stuff either!)
Try photographs instead!
2. Displays of **live** animals.
3. Preserved vertebrate animals, either whole or their parts (this includes humans).
(Teeth, hair, nails, and histological sections are permissible if properly acquired.)
4. Photographs showing vertebrate animals in any non-normal conditions.
5. Open or concealed flames, matches, or lighters.
6. Dangerous chemicals, including caustics, acids, and many household chemicals.
7. Highly combustible solids, fluids, or gases.
(No rocket engines!)
8. Controlled substances.
9. Radioactive materials.
10. Operating lasers.
11. Anything potentially hazardous to the public.

Special care must be given to the following:

12. High temperatures.
13. Batteries (open top cells are not permitted).
14. High voltage equipment must be shielded with a grounded metal box or cage to prevent accidental contact. Wiring, switches, and metal parts must be located out of reach.
15. Electric circuits for 110 volts AC must have an Underwriters Laboratories approved cord equipped with a grounded (3-pronged) plug. Exhibits are limited to 300 watts.
16. All wiring must be properly insulated.
17. Bare wire and exposed knife switches are permissible only in low-voltage, low-current circuits of 12 volts or less.
18. Electrical connections in 110 volt circuits must be soldered or fixed with approved connectors.
19. Devices emitting ultraviolet light must be equipped with the proper filters for eye protection.

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