



## Information on Legionnaires' Disease

### Measures to prevent Legionnaires' Disease

- Any and all exhibitors who wish to make use of water, regardless of the purpose or manner, must have a water supply facility that is connected to MTD Nederland, to be ordered by completing and sending in the order form.
- Water taken from fire hoses is not drinking water and may therefore not be used, not even to spray plants or fill waterbeds etc.!
- Displays making use of open and/or flowing water are permitted, provided that such displays comply with the Procedural Rules set out in this Exhibitors' Manual.
- Any use of fountains, whirlpools or other water that is sprayed or atomized in some fashion is and will remain strictly prohibited, regardless of the circumstances.
- The water supply facility must have been installed by MTD.
- The pipes and fittings (basins, filters, pumps, valves, etc.) used by exhibitors must be clean, dry and bacteria-free before the system is filled.
- Throughout the period of the fair, any open water used at a stand must have a constant chlorine content of no less than 0.3 milligrams per litre of water.
- The temperature of the water must not exceed 20 degrees Celsius.
- The exhibitor must check the temperature and chlorine content of any open water at the stand on a daily basis and see to it that the water is changed every day during the fair. The results of each check must be recorded in a logbook.
- Open water must be changed every morning before the fair opens.
- If the temperature of the water approaches 20 degrees Celsius during the fair, the water must be changed immediately.
- An independent laboratory will take random samples on a regular basis to check the water supply facility, the temperature, the chlorine content, and the general hygiene of the water system. Samples will be taken only from exhibitors who make use of an open water display. Exhibitors will be required to pay a charge of € 58,00 for each random sample taken.
- At the end of the fair, an independent laboratory will also perform an inspection to check for the presence of the legionella bacterium in the water. The inspection is regarded as a random sample and exhibitors will therefore be charged accordingly.
- The use of humidifiers, for example as present in air-conditioning systems, is and will remain strictly prohibited.
- All exhibitors will be required to co-operate in any tests, sampling and inspections conducted by Amsterdam RAI and official organizations.
- Amsterdam RAI and an external inspection agency will enforce strict compliance with the rules. In the most extreme case, exhibitors who have not signed the statement and/or taken the specified precautionary measures and who are observed using water will be removed from the fair.