Engine Idling Policy

The Goal

The goal of the engine idling reduction guidelines is to reduce vehicle emissions and to conserve fuel while the vehicle is not moving. The benefits of reducing engine idling time are cleaner air; reducing fuel costs; and extending the life of the engine. The engine idling reduction guidelines are to be used only when the vehicle is stopped for loading, unloading, while being marshaled, and/or waiting. It does not apply to stop-and-go traffic or any other application where safety would be compromised.

Guidelines for Idle Reduction

- Turn the engine off:
- During loading and unloading
- While in the marshaling yard or in queue for longer than five minutes
- When waiting for any reason when not in traffic
- Safety First!

Communication with Staff

- Safety, as always, is the number one concern, and idle reduction should not interfere with any safety considerations, such as temperatures below 32 degrees or above 85 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Idle reduction reduces emissions, which reduces pollution, resulting in cleaner air.
- Idle reduction reduces fuel consumption, reducing fuel costs.
- Idle reduction reduces engine hours, extending the life of an engine.

Signage

- Event installation at convention center docks, marshaling yard and applicable holding areas (such as public streets) should have approved signage placed prior to show receiving.
- Warehouse locations at loading docks and driver dispatch office should have approved signage permanently placed in prominent locations.

Enforcement

- All employees are required to follow these procedures.
- We will advise our vendors and companies delivering to our warehouse, marshalling yard, and show site receiving locations of our idle reduction policy, and request their compliance.
- The marshaling yard or dock supervisor will be expected to spot-check the loading docks and marshaling yard and remind those drivers not complying of our standards.
- For driver safety and engine performance, this policy will not be enforced if the temperature is below 32 degrees or above 85 degrees Fahrenheit.