

THE PHILADELPHIA SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY

P.O.BOX 8303, 30TH STREET STATION, PHILA., PA. 19101

Dear Dealer,

Applications to vend must be received by <u>September 10, 2024</u>. All requests received by that date will be notified by <u>September 30, 2024</u>, if they have received space in the room, and will be expected to then make payment for their space by <u>October 31, 2024</u>. Once received, no payment will be refunded unless we are able to <u>sell your space to another dealer</u>. A wait list will be maintained to take account of any applications received after the deadline in order to assign any space not claimed by the deadline. In addition, after the deadline, you may email us and ask if additional tables are available. Sometimes, tables are available due to cancellations or other reasons.

It is preferred that you use the link on the website to request space. You may mail your forms to the address at the bottom of this information, but we do not guarantee receipt and doing so will delay processing of your application. All space requests will be handled in the order in which they are received. All acceptances will be sent out at the same time, as we need to review the requests to make sure that all requests for space are reasonable, that there is not an excessive number of dealers of a particular type, and that requests for placement in the room can be accommodated to the extent possible.

There will be NO dealers permitted to use sleeping rooms for vending at Philcon 2024.

Please note: NO applications will be accepted unless they are accompanied by a signed and dated release form. The signature on the form must be that of the person named on the form. Incomplete or unsigned forms will be returned.

If you wish, you can scan the forms and email them to dealers2024@philcon.org, but the payment must still be received by October 31. If we receive payment prior to receiving a properly completed form, we will return it and you will have to resend payment at the proper time in order to confirm your assignment.

When making payment, full payment must be made for all tables assigned, as well as any memberships that are being purchased at the special dealers' rate of \$40. These special registrations are limited to a total of two, regardless of the number of tables purchased. Payment must be made via the online portal; a link to this portal will be provided in the e-mail that you are sent with your approval for space.

If for some reason you wish to pay by check, it can be sent to the address below. Please send your payment for approved tables and any registration forms, made out to **Philcon 2024**, to:

Todd Dashoff - Dealers PO Box 425 Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

Table Costs (Do NOT include membership; see below)

Half table \$60 One table \$90 Two tables \$205

Three tables Consult with dealers' room head

In addition to paying for the table space, anyone working in the Dealers' Room must have a Philcon membership. Dealer memberships are \$40 each; with a maximum of two if paid for at the same time as your table space– any additional memberships must be bought at the rate current when payment is submitted. Program participants who wish to reserve space in the room do not need to buy memberships; however, we will confirm that you have agreed to appear on a sufficient number of program items to waive the membership cost.

Other Information

Philcon reserves the sole right to determine which applications to accept. The application does not entitle you to any space or table in the Dealers' Room. Philcon also reserves the right to provide you with fewer tables than you have requested. If we do so, we will make an appropriate adjustment in price by reducing the charge you need to pay.

Please note that at present, we do not have sufficient information to state what conditions will be required of attendees with regard to COVID-19. Our current position is as follows:

Philcon will not require proof of vaccination for COVID-19 due to the elimination of the means by which the US government and many states document that vaccinations were received. Masking will be voluntary in most cases; however, certain events may be closed to unmasked attendees. Masks will be available at the registration desk. Please stay home if you are ill. If you have preregistered and cannot attend due to illness, contact registration2024@philcon.org to have your membership transferred to the 2025 convention.

Philcon reserves the right to modify this policy in reaction to developments between now and the time of the convention.

Allowed and Prohibited Items

- You may sell (certain types of) weapons, but they must be wrapped, and the package sealed before the purchaser can take them out of the Dealers' Room. Please send a description with your form.
- There will be no loud noise-producing items in the Dealers' Room. Headsets must be provided.
- You may not sell any item that is illegal, that is a violation of any copyright, service mark, trademark, or patent, that was obtained illegally, or that violates any applicable law, statute, or ordinance.
- Dealers in art prints are welcome in the Dealers' Room. However, any art print sold in the Dealers'
 Room cannot also be displayed and sold in the Art Show Print Shop. Conversely, any art print title
 that is displayed and sold in the Print Shop cannot be sold in the Dealers' Room. If you are an artist,

we suggest you consider whether it is more advantageous to request space in the Art Show rather than the Dealers' Room; send a request for information to artshow2024@philcon.org.

Space Details

- Dealers expecting to lean or prop things against the walls must PAD the contact points with felt or foam
- Nothing may be hung, stuck, or fastened to any wall, ceiling, or other surface in the Dealers' Room.
- There are very few wall tables available. Only ask for them if you must have it for your display.
- Each space includes one table and 2 chairs unless a special set-up is requested on the application form. Special requests cannot be guaranteed.
- Power is included free with your space, if power can be provided. All electrical equipment must have either grounded (triple-prong) or polarized plugs. It would be useful to have a power strip with a surge protector.
- The room will be locked overnight, but Philcon does not assume any responsibility for any losses. Dealers are expected to cover their tables appropriately overnight.
- You will be notified in advance as to when you will be able to enter the room for set-up, both before the con begins and each morning thereafter. Please do not attempt to enter the room before the stated times or any other time when the room is closed. You will have sufficient time to get your table(s) ready before the public is admitted.
- At closing time each evening, please make every effort to be out of the room within 30 minutes. following closing.
- Expected sales hours for the Dealers' Room are as follows:
 - o Friday 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
 - o Saturday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
 - o Sunday 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Confirmation, Cancellation, etc.

Confirmation will be sent via email to the address on the application, unless another address is
specifically requested on the application form. You are responsible for notifying the person who will
actually attend if that person is not the one making the application.

Taxes

Philcon does not collect taxes. It is the dealer's responsibility to collect N J sales tax (7%). Forms and information can be obtained by calling 609-826-4400, or check

http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/gettingregistered.htm. The form you want is NJ-REG. If you currently have a NYS tax number, you may be able to send NJ taxes in on that; consult the NYS tax people.

Hotel Reservations

Hotel reservations can be made by going to http://www.philcon.org/hote on our website. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. The hotel reservation deadline is currently November 1, 2024.

If you have any questions, or do not receive an expected response by the appropriate deadline, please don't hesitate to get in touch via email at dealers2024@philcon.org

Thanks, and looking forward to working with you,

Todd Dashoff, Philcon 2024 Dealer Coordinator