

# Rules and Policies for Furry Migration 2024 Dealer's Den

The following rules and policies apply to all Dealers at Furry Migration:

## Table Fees, Registrations, and Assistants

Dealer's Den table fees **DO NOT** include registrations. All Dealers and their assistants must purchase a registration before they enter the Dealer's Den. On Thursday night, it is at the discretion of the Dealer's Den staff to relax this rule and allow a dealer and/or dealer's assistant(s) to enter the room before they pick up their badge.

There is no limit of how many assistants can be associated with a particular dealer. The Dealer's Den staff must be informed of each additional assistant. Each assistant **MUST** have a their own registration. And please limit the number of people at any full table to two at any one time.

All dealer's tables need to be manned by a person 18 years or older of age. Minors can be behind the table, but they cannot be involved in the direct transaction or of selling goods.

A Dealer can cancel their table at any time. If they cancel before July 31st, they are given a full refund of their table fees and any associated registrations. After July 31st, we are unable to provide refunds.

Tables not claimed by 10:00 AM on Friday of the con, without prior notification to the staff, will be considered abandoned. These tables will be give to the next waiting applicant. No refunds will be provided for abandoned tables.

## Taxes and ST19

All Dealers are expected to handle their own taxes. This includes the collecting and remitting of all applicable taxes for Minnesota State, Hennepin County, and the city Minneapolis. At of the time of the last document revision it was 9.025% for general tax items. Clothing is fully exempt from sales tax. All Dealers **MUST** confirm the final tax percentage before conducting any sales at the convention

All Dealers will be required to fill out form [ST19](#) (Operator Certificate of Compliance) and submit it to Dealer's Staff before the start of selling at the convention. Furry Migration will keep a copy of this form as long as it is required by law.

## Displays and Internet

Furry Migration does not provide internet for the Dealer's Den. Internet can be purchased from the hotel or use any other public or private available Wi-Fi hot spots.

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Flashing/rotating lights, sound generators or other excessively annoying displays will not be permitted. The volume of video soundtracks or other audio must be kept low enough that they do not disrupt customers or other dealers.

Due to the limited space behind tables, please restrict the number of people seated at any full table to two. Keep all items neatly piled under the table or as close to it as possible; do not impede the passage of other dealers behind the tables. Any items that are placed in the aisle in such a way that customer traffic is impeded, will be removed by Dealer's Den management. Any person or group of people that is causing undue congestion will be politely asked to disperse.

## **Merchandise, 18+, Minors, Contests, and Pirated Materials**

The hotel does not permit the sale of food in the Dealer's Den. This does not include prepackaged items like Pocky or Japanese soda, Other than that, there are no restrictions on the sale of legal merchandise. We do, however, request that all merchandise be Sci-Fi, fan, or furry-related.

Items of an adult nature may be sold if and only if these items are not on public display. All adult art must have genitalia (defined as female nipples or any detailing/definition of male and female groin areas) covered with stickers, post-it's, opaque tape, etc. Placing the covering on the plastic sleeve holding the print is acceptable. Items that are not suitable for minors must be kept separately from non-adult material. A tag or divider between "regular" and "adult" material in a binder is not sufficient. It is the responsibility of the dealer to keep adult materials out of the hands and sight of anyone under 18 years of age, and to ensure that these materials are discreetly handled when being viewed by a customer.

Minors attending the convention will have clearly identifiable badges, and all Dealers will be told how to recognize them. Each Dealer is legally responsible to ensure that minors are not permitted to view, handle, or be otherwise exposed to adult materials. Dealers who repeatedly violate the minor display policy will be removed from the Dealer's Den without refund.

Any auction, contest, or raffle must follow the laws and regulations of the city of Minneapolis, Hennepin county, and state of Minnesota. Furry Migration Dealer's Den management will not provide advice or check on the legality of said activity. If you are legally allowed to do them, it then must be indicated that Furry Migration is NOT a part of the auction, contest, or raffle.

No pirated material of any sort will be allowed in the Dealer's Den. Selling books, CDs or any other item that includes work by another person from which full permission has not been obtained is strictly prohibited. If the material is questionable, the Dealer's Den Management will try to be reasonable, but will err on the side of caution.

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## **Access to Dealer's Den**

The Dealer's Den will be locked when it is not open for posted hours. Access to the Dealer Den is limited at such times to hotel security and/or convention operations who may be patrolling at any time.

Do not, under any circumstances, leave cash or any valuables inside the Dealer's Den after it closes. This includes, laptops, phones, tablets, keys, or medication.

Once the Dealer's Den is closed and locked for the night, it will not be reopened until the next morning without an excellent cause. Be aware that leaving money, your work, and/or commissions does not qualify as such a cause.

It is expected that Dealers load in and load out during posted times. If a Dealer is loading in or out during Dealer's Den open hours the Dealer's Den staff needs to be informed.

When Dealer's Den closes on the last day, dealers are advised to cleanup around the area of their table. Please collapse boxes and pick up trash generated by your table. Failure to do so may reduce your chance for being accepted back for our Dealer's Den next year.

## **Damage and Liability**

Improper use resulting in damage to hotel property and/or equipment is the responsibility of the Dealer to whom it was lent to. Hotel property may not be modified in any way, including but not limited to: holes, chipped paint, glue, improper tape, markers and/or damage caused by the inappropriate behavior. Neither Furry Migration nor the Hyatt is liable for any personal injury or damage caused by the inappropriate use of hotel equipment such as falling while standing on a table or a chair. Please be careful and use provided equipment responsibly.

## **Furry Migration Dealer's Den Fine Print**

There is to be no horseplay (or other animal play) in the Dealer's Den. We do not want to see anyone to trip and injure themselves or others. The convention is not responsible for injuries, breakage or loss resulting from irresponsible behavior by any Dealer or convention member. Any merchandise damage falls under the "If you broke it, you just bought it" policy no matter the circumstances.

Dealer's Den management reserves the right to refuse service to any person or entity. If anyone is disruptive, ignores the rules, or harasses other persons and is not amenable to correction; the convention will take the appropriate action. This can include the removal of the offender (customer or Dealer) from the convention. This also voids any refunds of registrations or table fees.

Dealer's Den management's judgments are considered final, pending review from the Division Head.

Furry Migration reserves the rights to amend these rules without prior or posted notification.