

## EXHIBITOR ALERTS NURSERY/LANDSCAPE EXPO

Beware of non-authorized companies that prey on exhibitors at all trade shows. Below are some of the most common ones, but new solicitations come up every year, so if you have any concern of the legitimacy of a company soliciting your business, DON'T HESITATE to call us! You can call the EXPO Department directly at 512-579-3858.

- **HOTEL SCAMMERS** - *Beware of Travel Scams! EXPO Management cannot guarantee room reservations not booked through our Official Housing Block. By going through our Official Reservation Block, you can book now and pay later with no upfront cost. Flexible policies minimize cancellation fees & modify your reservations with ease. Please be aware there have been instances where exhibitors unknowingly booked through one of these companies and ended up without a room and loss of deposit dollars. Don't be that person!*  
Nursery/Landscape EXPO Management works hard to negotiate the best rates possible for EXPO attendees. The more hotel rooms we book within our block, the better room rate we can negotiate for you! *Please remember when booking hotels through a third party, they most always require a deposit that is NOT REFUNDABLE. Booking through the Official Housing for EXPO is the only way to guarantee your hotel reservation.*
- **ATTENDEE LIST – SCAMMERS** – One of the most blatant scams out right now. Exhibitors are receiving emails from individuals claiming to have the EXPO Attendee List for sale. Texas Nursery & Landscape Association is the **ONLY** entity that has our attendee list available for purchase. When exhibitors have responded to these people, they share a sample list of people nowhere near Texas. Stay aware and away from these scams.
- **BOOTH CARPETING** - Exhibitors are beginning to receive calls from companies about renting your booth carpeting through their company and that it is cheaper than renting through our Official Service Contractor. The price of the actual carpeting may be cheaper, but you must factor in the delivery and set up charges that are applied through an outside vendor. You are not charged these fees through our designated contractor. Be sure to get all information with 'final delivered/set up fees' when making a decision to go to an outside vendor.
- **UPDATE!! Fair Guide/Construct Data Charged with Mail Fraud**  
*Many exhibitors have had some contact/knowledge of one of these very dangerous scam artists that have preyed upon exhibitors for years. We have an update on our exhibition industry's efforts to stop this company and their tactics to mislead and deceive exhibitors in all industries. Sometimes we do get the bad guy!*