

Information sheet for compliance with the Law for the Protection of Minors (JuSchG) at gamescom 2010

To ensure that gamescom will be in compliance with Germany's Law for the Protection of Minors, without diminishing the character of the trade fair experience, the exhibitors and the organizers must note the following points regarding the USK designation of the games they present:

1. Games designated **USK 18** or that bear **no USK designation** should be accessible only for people over the age of 18 and must be placed in a monitored area. The exhibitor must guarantee that access checks will be conducted by stand personnel.
2. Games designated **USK 16** must be positioned inside an open stand in a manner that ensures the monitors can be seen only by the active player or players, thus preventing younger audiences from watching. In such instances, stand personnel also must ensure that only people over the age of 16 are able to use the games.
3. In the case of displays of games designated **USK 12**, exhibitors must also ensure that younger visitors can not actively play the games themselves.
4. All displays must be clearly marked with the appropriate USK sticker (as large as possible) featuring the USK age requirements for players of the installed game.
5. The exhibitor is solely responsible for ensuring a presentation that is in compliance with the requirements of the JuSchG.
6. At central locations in the trade fair halls, the organizer (Koelnmesse) will display the excerpts from the JuSchG that are relevant to the trade fair.
7. At the entrance the organizer (Koelnmesse) will provide visitors with nonremovable wristbands in colours corresponding to the colours of the respective USK stickers. This will help the stand personnel to ensure that displays are seen only by visitors from appropriate age groups.

The responsible authorities (the City of Cologne) will more thoroughly monitor compliance with the JuSchG at the event and take the appropriate legal actions in the event of violations of the law. Violations of the law will be punished by closing the trade fair stand of the persons responsible and requiring them to pay substantial fines.

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Koelnmesse GmbH