



Purpose

The Georgia World Congress Center is the fourth largest convention center in the United States at 3.9 million ft² and hosts more than a million visitors a year.

The officers within the GWCC Public Safety Department work diligently to ensure the safety of visitors to the facility as well as the security of all employees, including contracted workers who have a vital role in the continued success of the congress center.

The implementation of the WIS program has enabled officers to more efficiently monitor access to the facility resulting in a safer work environment, a securer facility and a more pleasant experience for visitors.



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GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER



Worker Identification System Guidelines



“All of us in the hospitality business need to be aware of who has access to our facility and space at all times”- Mark Zimmerman, General Manager, GWCC

GWCC Access Points

The Red Parking Deck is the designated parking deck for contractors.

Contractors will enter the building through the employee entrance located on Lower Andrew Young International Blvd on the B1 docks.

To access the employee entrance from Upper Andrew Young International, take the red deck parking lot elevators, 1IP or 2IP, to level 2. Exit through the glass double doors.

The Employee entrance is located across the street from the second floor glass double doors leading from the Red Parking Deck elevators 1IP and 2IP.

THIS IS THE ONLY AUTHORIZED ENTRANCE

Contractors will be required to scan WIS badges upon entering the GWCC.

CONTRACTORS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH BADGING POLICIES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO GWCC.

On July 1, 2009 the Georgia World Congress Center Authority implemented the Worker Identification System (WIS) badging program launched by the Exhibition Services and Contractors Association (ESCA).

All contractors/suppliers/vendors are required to have the approved credentials for access to the GWCC. Badges must be visible at all times while on GWCC campus.

The WIS badge only allows access to the GWCC. Individual events may require independent credentials, such as wristbands or buttons, for access to exhibition halls.

There is no fee to enroll in the program, but there is a fee for badges. For questions and to register in WIS please visit <https://wis.esca.org/>

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FAQS

WHAT IF MY EMPLOYEES DO NOT HAVE BADGES UPON ARRIVAL TO THE GWCC? Those without proper credentials will not be allowed access to the GWCC. This includes those with expired badges.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO OBTAIN PERMANENT WIS BADGES? Visit

<https://wis.esca.org/>

WHAT IS THE COST OF WIS BADGES?

Badges for ESCA members cost \$18; cost for Non ESCA members is \$25; temporary badges cost \$10 for Non ESCA Members is \$13. Badges are valid three calendar years. Temporary badges are valid one calendar year. All badges expire December 31 of the expiration year.

WHERE SHOULD CONTRACTED EMPLOYEES PARK UPON ARRIVAL TO GWCC?

Discount parking is only available in the Red Parking Deck.



GWCC Temporary Badges are available in emergency situations for a fee. For more information contact the GWCC Department of Public Safety at 404.223.4911.