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2027 Charlotte Hamfest – March 5 & 6, 2027

Same Location & Same *FREE* Parking!

The weekend of March 5 & 6, 2027, marks when several thousand ham radio operators, their friends, and families will gather at the 2027 **Charlotte Hamfest™!** In 2027, we continue to be at the ***Cabarrus Arena & Events Center***, 4751 Highway 49 North, Concord, NC. The Arena is conveniently located just minutes away from I-85, I-485, and the Concord Mills Mall. We are in the **Gold Hall** .

2027 Charlotte Hamfest Show Hours
Friday: 3 PM to 8 PM
Saturday: 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Don't miss celebrating the end of winter at the biggest and best indoor, climate controlled Hamfest in the Southeast!

The Charlotte Hamfest is an ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest. We promote the event on Facebook and Google Ads targeting Hams, the Ham curious, and Ham-adjacent hobbyists.

We again this year are providing ***FREE Parking*** for everyone attending the2027 Charlotte Hamfest. Our Free parking is paid by the Charlotte Hamfest Committee, as this bonus draws many hams back to our event over and over again.

Our flea market tables sell out very quickly. We only have 175 indoor tables, we expect to have a Flea Market Area 'sell-out'. We recommend you get your table order in *early*. Don't be left out by delaying your order until it is too late.

The Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society, Inc., W4BFB of Charlotte, NC, proudly sponsors this annual event through the Charlotte Hamfest Committee. Spark your new year by being at our 2027 Charlotte Hamfest.

CHECK IN/SET UP FOR THE HAMFEST IS:
Friday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Also, no vehicles are permitted to drive inside the building on Friday.

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When you select a location in the Gold Hall 1 or 2, please give us a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice preference for your table locations, *along with your full payment*. .

We will do our best to fill your requests – but – ***full payment must accompany your request***. Send your registration in **early**, so you have the best chance to get your preferred table locations. You will be able to pay for your tables/chairs & electricity by using PayPal or Credit Card. Go to https://charlottehamfest.org and click on the PayPal icon

RATES FOR FLEA MARKET SPACE

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Tables	$40.00 each
Chairs	$4.00 each
115v Duplex Electrical Outlet	$45.00 each
Admission Tickets	$13.00 each
Extra Prize Tickets	$1.00 each or $5.00 for six

All Prices include both days of the show. If you have table numbers 1 through 42, you can purchase additional tables against the wall for $20.00 per table to be used for storage. Please note that the aisles must be maintained to the Fire Marshall's requirements.

Table assignments will be mailed to you as soon as possible after receiving your application/payment or your payment via PayPal. Please allow adequate time for processing and mailing before calling.

All persons who will be working with you in the Hamfest area, including setup personnel, must have an admission ticket purchased. Please order all your tickets in advance.

FLEA MARKET LOYALTY SPECIAL

Did you have 5 or more tables at the 2026 Charlotte Hamfest Swapfest? If so, you may reserve that same location for the 2027 Swapfest. In order to return to your 2026 Swapfest locations, we must receive your *full payment* by December 31, 2026. If you wish, a new/different/additional table location can be requested, just send it along with your *full* payment. In any case, when you select a location, please give us a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice preference for your table locations, *along with your full payment*.

If camping at an event site is your thing, there are plenty of camping spaces available at the Cabarrus Arena and Events Center. To obtain a Camping Reservation go out to www.visitcabarrus.com. Camping is managed by the Cabarrus Arena and Event Center and you must check in at their Office. **Flea Market sales will not be permitted in the Camping Area.**

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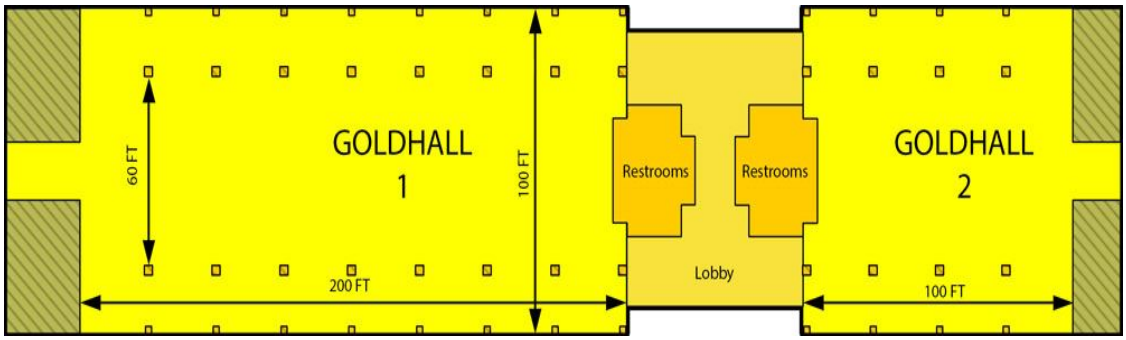
NOTICE: Although cell connections have improved, reliable Cell Phone connections are unpredictable for making or receiving calls from within the metal-framed Gold Hall. If you will need reliable/constant telephone service during the 2027 Charlotte Hamfest™, let us know and we will email you an Event Center order form for a dedicated (at an additional cost) phone line. The Event Center has demonstrated to us that this is a secure internet connection that is managed by Cabarrus County.

Overall Gold Hall Layout



Note:

No refunds after February 26, 2027 unless the event is cancelled by the Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society d/b/a The Charlotte Hamfest due to health and safety concerns

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HAMFEST INFO

Setup Times: **10:00 AM - 2:00 PM – Friday**
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM – Saturday

Hamfest Hours: 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM – Friday
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM – Saturday

Loading and Unloading: Each area of the building has its own separate door for unloading at the back of the Gold Hall 1 and 2. **No Vehicles may drive inside the building due to very limited space after all the tables are set up. There will be dollies available to use with unloading or you can bring your own dolly.**

All of your Flea Market personnel will be able to start unloading at 10:00 AM on Friday and can unload until 2:00 PM Friday. Any last-minute setup can be performed on Saturday morning starting at 7:00 AM.

Registration Deadlines: On March 3, 2027, pre-registration ends. You can check with the show office the morning of the show to see if there are any other tables available for purchase.

Contact Number: If you need to get in touch with us, please email fleamarket@charlottehamfest.org or call 704-948-7373.

This Flea Market information package includes the following:

- Flea Market Registration Form
- Flea Market Floor Plan for Cabarrus Arena and Events Center
- NC Sales Tax Rules
- NC Sales Tax Waiver Form
- Flea Market Area Policy

You will be able to pay for your flea market tables, chairs and electricity through PayPal again this year. Just go out to https://charlottehamfest.org and select Flea Market Vendor tickets (PayPal) under the Flea Market Information Menu Item. Complete the order form and your tickets and table reservations will be mailed to you.

If you have additional questions, please email me at fleamarket@charlottehamfest.org. Also our 2027 Flea Market information line is 704-948-7373 during business hours or in the evenings until 9:00pm EST. More information is also available at the Hamfest web site at https://charlottehamfest.org. We hope to see you at the 2027 Charlotte Hamfest.

Sincerely,

Shawn Goodin

Shawn Goodin, K4RSG
2027 Charlotte Hamfest
Flea Market Area Chairperson

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FLEA MARKET PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

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Name: _____ Call: _____

Address: _____

_____

_____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please read attached Tax Information Sheet. No tables will be assigned without providing the requested Tax Information. No Exceptions!

N.C. Sales Tax Number: _____

OR

North Carolina Sales tax license applied for on_____(date)
Signature_____

OR

N.C. Sales tax exemption certificate attached ☐ (check)

_____Tickets	@	$ 13.00 Each	$_____
____Prize Tickets	@	$ 1.00 Each	$ _____
____ Prize Tickets	@	6 for $5.00	$_____
____Tables	@	$40.00 Each	$ _____
____Chairs	@	$ 4.00 Each	$ _____
____Extra Tables	@	$20.00 Each	$ _____
_____Electricity	@	$45.00 Each	$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: $ _____

Please make checks payable to "**Charlotte Hamfest**".

PLEASE ENCLOSE a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope and mail to:

Charlotte Hamfest,
Shawn Goodin, K4RSG
8301 Scarlet Oak Court
Harrisburg, NC 28075

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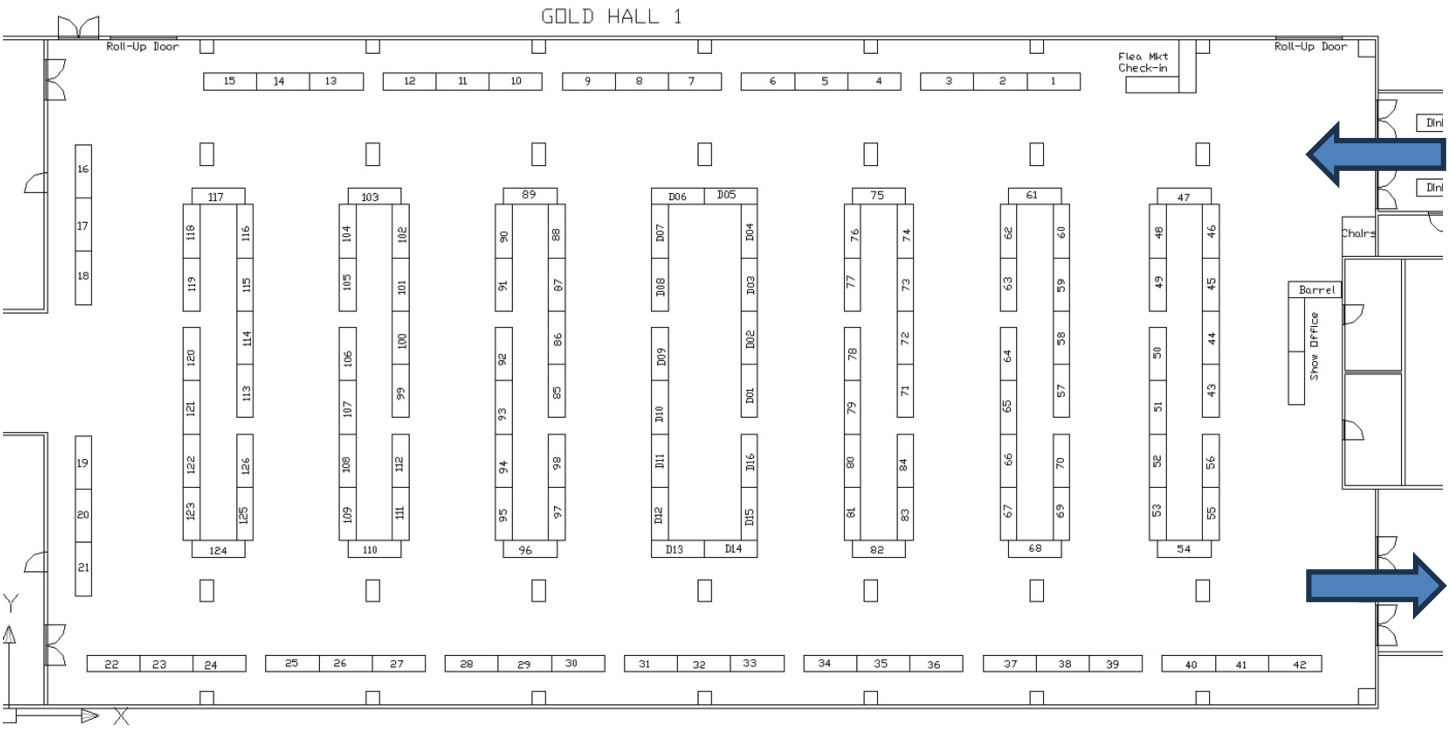
Gold Hall 1 Layout



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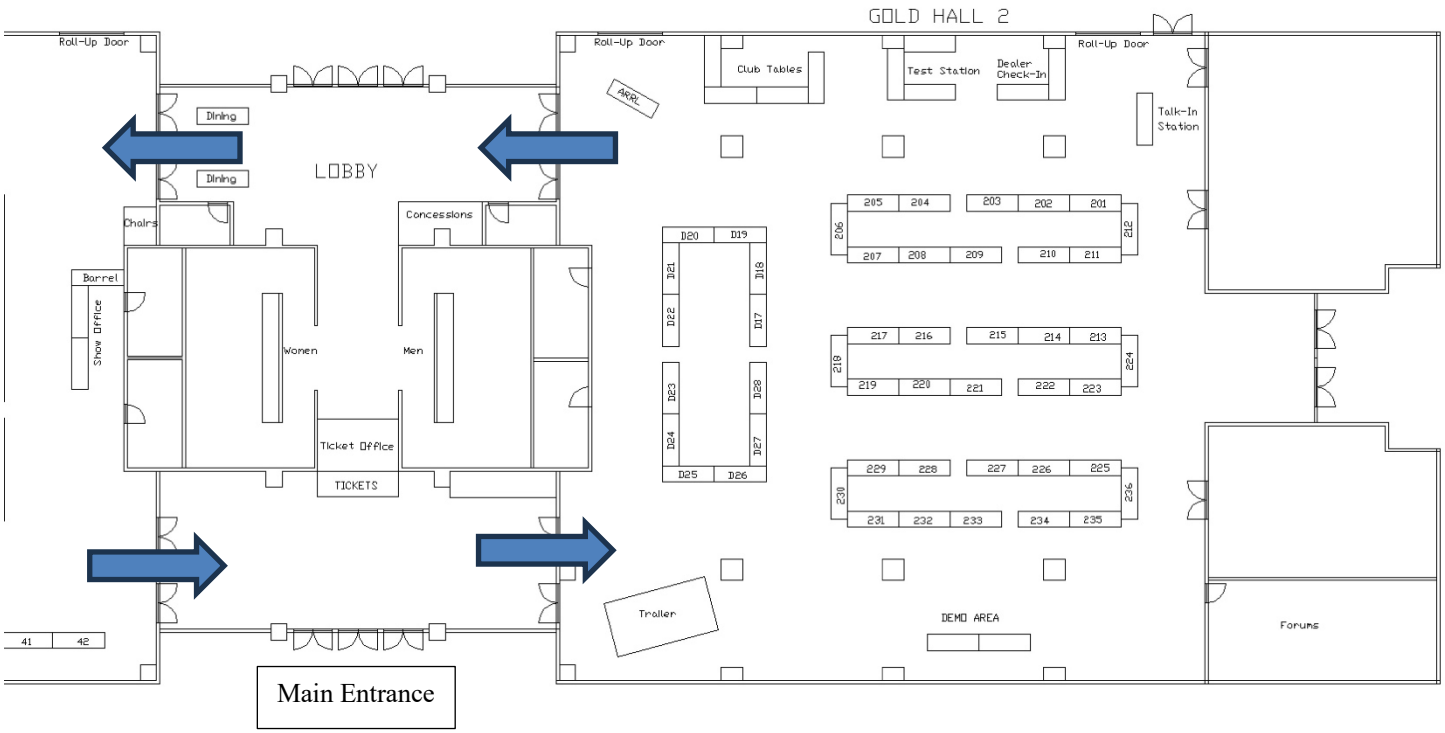
Gold Hall 2 Layout



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TAX INFORMATION
REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina Law requires that any dealer in the Flea Market Area must have a valid North Carolina Sales and Use Tax License *unless*, you qualify for and sign a sales tax exemption certificate.

If you have a North Carolina Sales and Use Tax License, then please provide your number in the box on the Pre-registration form which is enclosed.

If you do *NOT* have a license, and should, then you must complete an application and return it to the North Carolina Department of Revenue. You will then need to sign the certification on the pre-registration form indicating you have applied for your license. If you do not have an application form and need one, we will be happy to send you one by return mail or you can go to the NC Dept of Revenue Web Site and download the form. http://www.dor.state.nc.us/downloads/sales.html

If you are not required to have a Sales and Use Tax license, you must complete the enclosed exemption certificate indicating the reason that you are exempt.

The Charlotte Hamfest assumes no liability if you are not properly licensed, or you fail to comply with existing statutes.

NO table assignments will be made without a properly completed EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE, SALES TAX LICENSE APPLICATION, or NC SALES TAX LICENSE NUMBER.

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NC SALES AND USE TAX LICENSE

EXEMPTION CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

This is to certify that _____
qualifies for an EXEMPTION from the licensing requirements as stated in NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES, Section 105-53 for the following reason(s):
{Check all that apply}

_____ I sell farm or nursery products that are produced by me.

_____ I sell crafts or goods made by me, or my own household personal property.

_____ I am a nonprofit charitable, educational, religious, scientific, or civic organization.

_____ I sell printed material, wood for fuel, ice, seafood, meat, poultry, livestock, eggs, dairy products, bread, cakes, or pies.

_____ I am an authorized automobile dealer licensed pursuant to Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Signed the _____day of _____, 20__

_____
Printed Name

_____
Signature

This information is <u>required</u> by the NC Department of Revenue

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FLEA MARKET AREA 'USE POLICY'

- No 'new' or 'bootlegged' CD ROM/DVD sales allowed.
- No '11 Meter' or 'FCC illegal' devices allowed.
- No Food sales or alcoholic beverages allowed.
- No Pornography allowed in any form or format.
- No registered sex offenders allowed on the premises.
- No Firearms or Flammables allowed on the premises.
- Tables may not be Sublet.
- No Smoking allowed anywhere at the Event Center.
- Everyone in the Event Center must have a valid ticket.
- No Tailgating
- No table rearranging will be allowed due to Fire Code.
- Please consider bringing a fire extinguisher

NOTICE: Violation of the Use Policy shall result in ejection from the Event Center grounds, without recourse to refund of any kind. Local law enforcement and/or the FCC shall be informed of any illegal activities found or suspected – no exceptions!

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