

GOM CON Anime Convention International Vendor Package

Greetings potential vendors! Thank you for your interest in participating in GOMCON, the premier art, anime, cosplay and gaming convention in The Bahamas. We're excited to offer you the opportunity to showcase your products and services to our enthusiastic attendees. Please find below the details of our vendor package:

Event Details:

- Event Name: GOMCON
- Dates: 27-29 December, 2024
- Location: Breezes Resort, Nassau, Bahamas
- Theme: Into The Wild

Vendor Booth Options:

Includes a 8'x 6' booth space, pipe and drape, one table, two chairs, access to electricity, and up to 3 passes for opening night.

Vendor Package Benefits:

- Exposure to a diverse and enthusiastic audience of anime and manga fans.
- Inclusion in our event program and website as an official vendor.
- Opportunity to network with other vendors and industry professionals.
- Access to promotional materials to help market your presence at GOMCON.

Vendor Guidelines:

1. **Product/Service Relevance:** All products and services offered are up to the discretion of the exhibitor. We ask that NSFW items be well hidden and presented in privacy as there maybe minors around
2. **Booth Setup:** Vendors are responsible for setting up and decorating their booths. Booth designs should be visually appealing and adhere to any venue regulations.
3. **Sales Transactions:** Vendors are to use an in-house digital currency for sales which corresponds with guests RFID bands. Exhibitors are responsible for handling their own transactions and will be able to cash out at the end of the event.
4. **Cosplay-Friendly Environment:** We encourage vendors to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for cosplayers. Respectful interaction with all attendees is highly encouraged.

How to Apply:

Be sure to fill out the vendor application form available on our website www.GOM-CON.com. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and acceptance notifications will be sent via email. To apply for a vendor booth at GOMCON, be sure to understand which option you are choosing as an international entity in order to legally offer goods in The Bahamas.

Option 1: Represent your product

Representing your products at GOM CON offers a prime opportunity to engage with a passionate and diverse audience, even though direct sales are not permitted. This vibrant event allows you to showcase your brand's offerings, generate interest, and build a robust network of potential customers and industry contacts. By creating an appealing and interactive booth, you can effectively communicate the unique features and benefits of your products, gather valuable feedback, and drive post-event sales through follow-up communications. GOM CON serves as an excellent platform to enhance brand visibility and establish meaningful connections in the community.

Option 2: Consignment

An international exhibitor can effectively sell products at GOM CON by leveraging a consignment agreement with the event organizers. Under this arrangement, the exhibitor supplies their products to GOM CON, which then handles the sales transactions during the event. The exhibitor will be reimbursed at cost for all goods sold upon the event's conclusion, ensuring a straightforward financial process. Any unsold inventory will be returned to the exhibitor, minimizing risk and maintaining inventory control. To meet logistical requirements, all consigned goods must be in GOM CON's possession by 30th November, 2024, allowing ample time for preparation and display. Additionally, the international exhibitor must be present at the event to represent their products, engage with attendees, provide product knowledge, and enhance the overall customer experience. This method provides a seamless way for international exhibitors to reach a targeted audience, combining the benefits of consignment sales with the impactful presence of the exhibitor.

Option 3: Proprietorship

There are several steps required by the Local Government to conduct business legally in The Bahamas. Every vendor must complete all required forms and should have all documents together upon arrival. If there are any additional documents or information required during this process, please reach out to Saneika Richards at vendors@thegeekout242.com

Step 1: Visit The Bahamas Immigration website and apply for a Short term work permit online.

Short Term Work Permit Application Requirements:

For a period of one (1) to thirty (30) days duration:

- \$200.00 non-refundable processing fee (payable by cash, credit/debit card, postal money order, or bank-certified cheque)
- Letter of request addressed to the Director of Immigration
- Duly completed Short-Term Work Permit Application Form. When applying online, this form is not needed.
- Two (2) current passport photographs of the applicant on white background with the name printed on the back of the photo (captured within six (6) months of the application date; photo size must be 2 X 2 inches)
- Copy of biographical data page of applicant's current passport (must be signed and readable and with minimum two (2) months validity)
- Copy of VALID business license, Certificate of Incumbency, or Certificate of Incorporation of Employer
- Copy of Employee/Employer's NIB Card/Certificate

Please visit to apply online

<https://epermits.immigration.gov.bs/bs-idms-entitlement-online-ui/> .Kindly check Appendix I to see a copy of the form.

Step 2: Visit The Bahamas Customs website and apply for a Temporary Import of Goods form,

Temporary Import

Temporary imports are permitted in the territory with the security of a Temporary Bond and an import tax of 10% every 90 days. Persons such as contractors, persons doing special projects or group conventions, salesmen or amusement park operators can apply for the importation of temporary goods without full duty payment.

Application Form(s)

C41 Form – Application to Import Goods for a Temporary Use or Purpose (Available at the Customs Department)

Supporting Documents:

- Completed transshipment bond.
- Completed required C41 form.
- Invoices (where applicable).
- Shipping / Airline documents (bill of lading / airway bill, any other documents provided by the supplier).
- For individuals – Identification (passport, NIB or driver's license).
- For businesses – Valid business license.
- Approval letter from Ministry of Finance

Process

1. Prepare relevant documents.
2. Present documents to the Comptroller of Customs for approval.
3. After examination of goods for verification is complete, pay applicable duties.
4. Collect goods.

This process can be done electronically on the Bahamas customs website and signing up for a free Click to Clear account.

REGISTRATION is a one-time process for all users and it aids in a speedy clearance process.

FOR INDIVIDUALS: To complete the registration process, a valid government issued I.D. is required.

FOR BUSINESSES: Business user registration should be done by a primary person within the company and a valid government issued I.D. for whom will be the contact

person for the account, should be furnished along with the required documents. However, multiple individuals within the company can be added to the account.

For assistance with user registration use the following contacts.

Email Support: BESW@BAHAMAS.GOV.BS

Step 3:Apply to Ministry of Finance

A letter of approval from the Ministry of Finance is required. Please feel free to contact the Business Licence/Valuation Offices at 322-5200 or 325-1171 or by letter addressed to the Chief Valuation Officer, P.O. Box N-13, Nassau, Bahamas if you have any questions on business licenses.

Step 4: Visit The Bahamas Department of Inland Revenue and apply for a Temporary business license. Follow the link <https://vat.revenue.gov.bs/> . Appendix I provided a step by step of the process.

Once all applications have been processed and approved please contact our representative and share all information. Storage of no perishable goods available to successful applications upon request to the best of our ability. Shipping should be done no later than 30th November, 2024 to avoid holiday shipping delays and disrupted services.

For any inquiries or assistance regarding vendor opportunities at GOMCON, please contact:

Saneika Richards

GOM CON Vendor Coordinator

Email: vendors@thegeekout242.com

Phone: +1-216-769-0053

We look forward to welcoming you as a vendor at GOMCON and working together to create an unforgettable experience for our attendees!

Sincerely,

The GOMCON Organizing Team

Contact Directory

Bond Agent

Customs Department

Customs House
Thompson Blvd.
P.O. Box N-155
Nassau, N.P., The Bahamas
Email: customscust@bahamas.gov.bs
Phone: (242) – 604-3124/(242) – 604-3125
Fax: (242) – 322-6223

Immigration Department

Director of Immigration
P.O. Box N-831
Nassau, Bahamas
Email: immigration@bahamas.gov.bs
nasimmigrationconsultation@bahamas.gov.bs
Phone: (242) – 225-5337,
(242) – 322-7530-5

Ministry of Finance

Cecil Wallace-Whitfield Centre

West Bay Street

P. O. Box N 3017

Nassau, N.P., The Bahamas

financemail@bahamas.gov.bs

mofgeneral@bahamas.gov.bs

Phone: (242) 327-1530/7 or 702-1500

APPENDIX I



GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION

SHORT TERM WORK PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

- \$200 Processing fee (non-Refundable) is required to submit this application
- Read Carefully. Print in **BLOCK CAPITALS** in **Blue** or **Black** Ink Only
- Answer **ALL** questions, indicate N/A where not applicable

Section A		PERSONAL DETAILS	
Surname		Given Name(s)	
Maiden Name	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth DD/MM/YYYY	
State the particulars of any name change unrelated to marriage			
Place of Birth (City/Town, Island)		Country of Birth	
Nationality at Birth	Current Nationality	Previous Nationality	
Passport Number	Issuing Country	Expiry date DD/MM/YY	

Have you ever been convicted of an offence? (To include convictions in any country and to include all convictions relating to traffic offences.) Give details

Section B MARRIAGE & SPOUSE DETAILS

Marital Status: Single Married Legally Separated Divorced Widowed

Place of Marriage (City/Town and Country)

Date of Marriage DD/MM/YY

Surname

Given name(s)

Male Female

Nationality

Date of Birth DD/MM/YYYY

ADDRESS INFORMATION

Intended Address in The Bahamas

Street Address/House/Apt#/Hotel Name:

P.O. Box: City:

Island:

Phone#:Work: Mobile#:

Permanent Address

P.O. Box:

Country:

State:

Phone#:Work:

Mobile:

Section C WORK & EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Prospective Employer (Indicate if self-employed)

Business Title or Job Position

Employer's Business address (State Street, Settlement, Island)

GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

DETAILS OF PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT IN THE BAHAMAS OR ANY OTHER COUNTRIES

Employer	Employers Address	Position	From DD/MM/YY	To DD/MM/YY

Section D JOB DESCRIPTION

Give your reason for this request and a detailed description of the work that would be carried out.

Commencement date DD/MM/YY

Expected duration of work. Specify day(s) /week(s)/month(s)

Section E

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Indicate the date of your last visit to the Bahamas (if any): DD/MM/YY

Purpose for entering The Bahamas on your last visit:
 Vacation Work Family Visit Other

Are you suffering from any contagious or infectious illnesses? Yes No

Are you in good health?
 Yes No

APPLICATION CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

The information requested below will be used for communication in relation to this application. This should be the information of the prospective employer, or their authorized agent or representative. If you are self-employed or authorized to submit this application on behalf of your employer please fill in your contact information.

Title, Given Names, Surname

Organization Name (If Applicable)

P.O. Box

City, Town, Island, State, Postal Code

Email Address

Primary phone #

Section F

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the information given by me in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any incorrect, misleading or untrue information or the withholding of relevant information may result in rejection of this application and the revocation of any permit or current status held. I understand that the discovery of any statement which is false may render me liable to prosecution.

Applicants Signature

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date DD/MM/YY _____

Step 1

Returns Menu



THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAHAMAS
Online Tax Administration

Home Inbox ▾ My Tax ▾ **Returns ▾** Profile Services ▾

Hi John

You are currently viewing account details for: **John Smith (TIN: 100-000-618)**

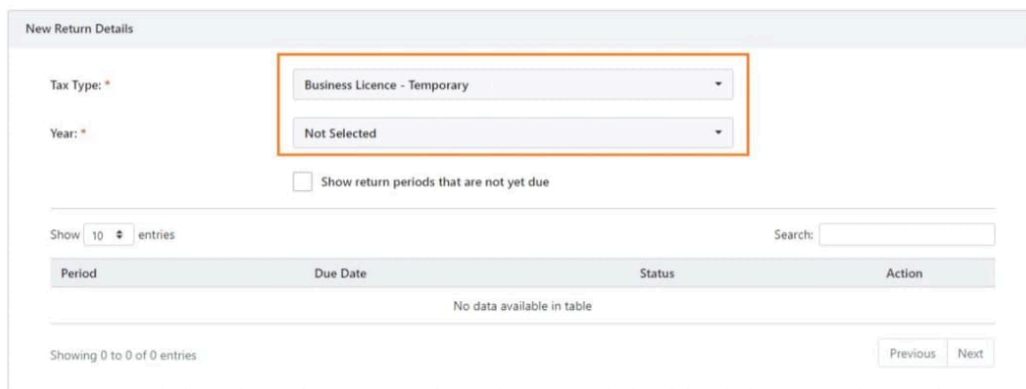
- File a Return
- Returns List

Click on the '**Returns**' tab in the main menu. Then select '**File a Return**'.

- 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4
 - 5
 - 6
 - 7
 - 8
 - 9
 - 10
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Step 2

Select Business Licence - Temporary



The screenshot shows a web form titled "New Return Details". It contains two dropdown menus: "Tax Type:" and "Year:". The "Tax Type:" dropdown is currently set to "Business Licence - Temporary", and the "Year:" dropdown is set to "Not Selected". Below these dropdowns is a checkbox labeled "Show return periods that are not yet due". At the bottom of the form, there is a "Show" dropdown set to "10" entries, a "Search:" input field, and a table with columns "Period", "Due Date", "Status", and "Action". The table is currently empty, displaying "No data available in table". At the very bottom, it says "Showing 0 to 0 of 0 entries" and has "Previous" and "Next" buttons.

Using the '**Tax Type**' drop-down list select '**Business Licence - Temporary**'. Then select the appropriate year from the '**Year**' drop-down list for the return you wish to submit.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ✓


Step 3

Start Return

New Return Details

Tax Type: * Business Licence - Temporary -

Year: * 2024 -

Period: * 

Show return periods that are not yet due

Show 10 entries Search:

Period	Due Date	Status	Action
1 January	01 Jan 2024	<input type="checkbox"/> Next Due	Start Return >

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries

Previous 1 Next

Click the **'Start Return'** link, under **Action**.

Enter today's date in the **'Period'** field.

Note: This will say **'Resume'** if the return has already been started.

1 2 **3** 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ✓

Step 4

Return Information

Step 1: Review return details

Return information

You are about to file a return for:

Tax Type:	Business Licence - Temporary
Period:	1 January 2024
Return Due:	Monday, 1 January 2024
Payment Due:	Tuesday, 2 January 2024

Ready to start?

Please read the below and click the button to start the return.

Questions marked with a red asterisk (*) require an answer.

Important

Please ensure the information you enter in this return is true, correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief.

You could be prosecuted if you deliberately give untrue or misleading information.

[Save & Continue](#)

Read the important message, then click '**Save & Continue**'.

1 2 3 **4** 5 6 7 8 9 10 ✓

Step 5

Return Overview

Step 2: Fill in your return

Return overview

This section provides you with an overview of the pages that make up this Tax Return.
Each page of the return will also allow you to save a draft of your progress.

To complete your return you will need the following documents:

- Bahamas Investment Authority Approval

Section to be completed	Edited	Status
Enter Licence Details		Not Started

[Previous Step](#) [Save & Continue](#)

This screen informs you of any necessary additional documents you will need. You will be able to upload these further on in the process.

When you are ready, click '**Enter Licence Details**' or '**Save & Continue**'.

1 2 3 4 **5** 6 7 8 9 10 ✓



Step 6

Fill in Licence Details

Step 3: Fill in your return

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Licence Details

Enter the licence details

Client TIN: *	1 ▶	###-###-###
Client Name: *	▶	
Trade Name: *	2 ▶	Not Selected
Contract Start Date: *	3 ▶	dd/mm/yyyy
Contract End Date: *	4 ▶	dd/mm/yyyy
Return / Payment Due Date: *	▶	
Contract Value: *	5 ▶	\$
Total Tax Payable: *	6 ▶	\$ 0.00
Licence Number:	▶	

[Previous Step](#) [Save Draft](#) [Save & Continue](#)

Fill in the required fields and and click '**Save & Continue**'.

1 2 3 4 5 **6** 7 8 9 10 ✓

Step 7

Additional Documents

Step 4: Upload documents

This step will allow you to upload one or more documents to support the details supplied in the return.

[What files can I upload?](#)

Required Documents

The following documents are required to support this Business Licence - Temporary return.

Upload Bahamas Investment Authority Approval: *

Additional Documents (optional)

You may also upload additional documents to support this Business Licence - Temporary return.

Supporting documents:

The '**Bahamas Investment Authority Approval**' letter is mandatory. You may upload other documents if you wish.

Use the '**What files can I upload**' link to learn more about the acceptable file types.

Drag and Drop into the upload area, or upload files from the device, by clicking the '**Select Files**' link.

Click '**Save & Continue**' to progress.

Step 8

Review and Submit

Before you submit this return

Read and agree to the following statement by ticking the checkbox below.

⚠ Declaration

By submitting this return you understand and confirm that:

- The information you entered in this return is true, correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief.
- You agree to the latest [terms and conditions](#) and [privacy policy](#).

You could be prosecuted if you deliberately give untrue or misleading information.

I have read and agree to the declaration.

[Previous Step](#) [Submit Return](#)


Review your answers then read and agree to the declaration.


To submit, click '**Submit Request**'.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 **8** 9 10 ✓

Step 9

Confirmation


Your tax return has been received.
Thank you for completing your **Business Licence - Temporary Return for 1 February 2024**.
Your return has been received by Department of Inland Revenue and will be reviewed in due course.

Return Details	
Due Date:	02 Jan 2024
Date Received:	20 Dec 2023  On-time

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A confirmation notice will appear, confirming that the application has been received.

Please be aware that it will take time for the Department of Inland Revenue to process your request. Once approved, you will be sent an email. This will confirm the amount to pay.

After submitting your request, the Department of Inland Revenue will review the return and decide whether to grant the licence.



You'll receive a message from the Department of Inland Revenue informing you of the decision and confirming the amount to be paid.

Payment is not required until your licence has been confirmed. The licence will be issued once payment is made.