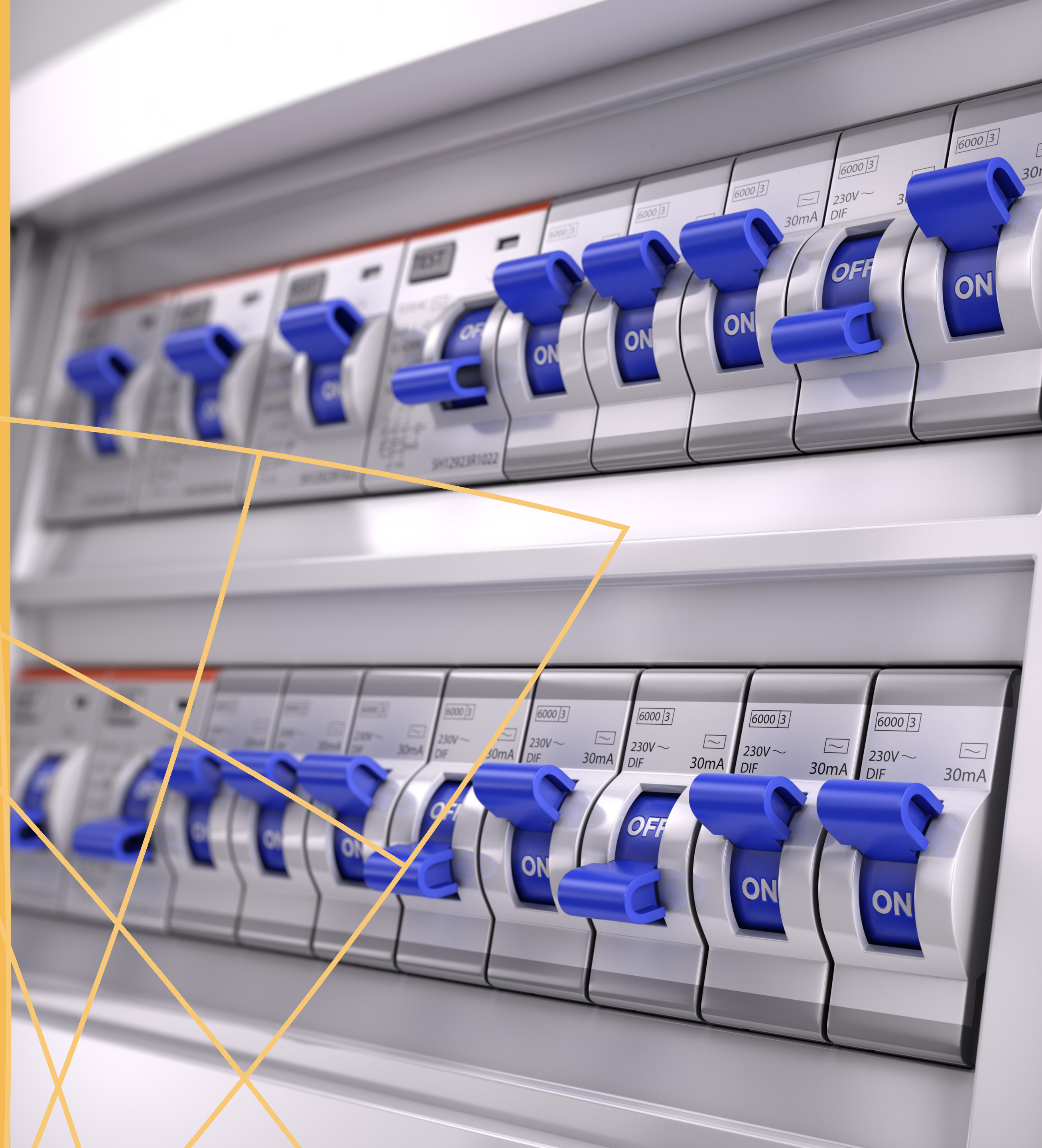




Electrical Services

Your guide to turbo charging your stand



**Powering up
your stand
is probably
the most
complicated part
of exhibiting.**



- **What size socket do you need if you want a TV on your stand?**
- **What should you do if you need a 24 hour power supply?**
- **What's the plan if you want an extension lead for your items?**

The list could go on...

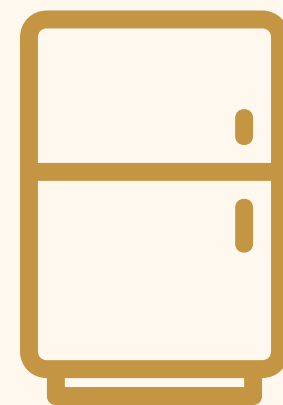
That's why we've put our heads together to bring to you an expert guide to some of our most frequently asked questions.

Which socket should I order?



500w socket (2 AMPS MAX)

- Television
(up to 42")
- Laptops
- Phone chargers



1000w socket (4 AMPS MAX)

- Television
(up to 60")
- Lighting
(maximum 1000w)
- Upright fridge/cooler



2000w socket (8 AMPS MAX)

- Microwave
- Domestic coffee machine
- Small vacuum cleaner



3000w socket (13 AMPS MAX)

- Kettle
- Iron
- Counter top oven

TOP TIPS

The wattages given here are for guidance only. Where possible, always check the name plate on the appliance or the manufacturers' manual to find the maximum wattage consumption.



A quick way for you to figure out how many watts you'll need is to check your appliance, find out how many amps it uses then multiply that by 240 (UK volts from mains power) and then you'll have your answer.

Example: A television says it uses 1.6 amps, if you multiply that by 240; you get 384 watts so you'll need at least a 500w socket.



How many spotlights should I place an order for?

The general rule for a shell scheme stand is, **one spotlight per 3m²** of space. This may not apply to space only stands, which are often more complicated in design.

GOT A SHELL SCHEME PACKAGE?

Some shell scheme stands have electrical packages included by the organiser. If you're unsure, please contact your organiser to find out more.

Why are there different prices?



Exhibitors that order early benefit from a 20% discount because it really helps us plan how the events are built.

After that, electrical items are charged at standard rate and on-site purchases are subject to a surcharge.

Early Bird Discount



Order Early

Standard Price

On-site Surcharge



Order Late

Can I use an extension lead?

Power-up everything you need, safely and efficiently

TOP TIP

Worried about having trailing cables across your stand? Lumpy floors are quite unsightly, so consider ordering a platform. A platform will allow you to place sockets in any position on the stand with the cables hidden underneath. Out of sight, out of mind.

You can use 4-way extension leads, but please keep the following in mind:

- You can only use one extension lead per 500w socket
- The cumulative watts of the items plugged into the extension lead must not exceed the watts of the socket
- Any extension lead must have a flexible cord of no more than 2 metres in length
- Multi-way plugs (cubes) cannot be used



Why have I had a testing charge added to my order?

In 2012, with the introduction of BS 7671 (17th Edition), the UK's electrical regulations changed and insisted that all installations undergo increased testing – domestically as well as in the workplace.

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To cover the cost of testing all electrical items, each stand is subject to a testing charge.



Can I use my own lighting?

You're welcome to use your own lighting if it has been tested to the required standard (**BS 7671**) or, if the lighting is terminated with a domestic UK plug, then it must be **P.A.T tested**.

These tests should be carried out prior to arriving on-site by a qualified electrician.



Round-the-clock power?

We'd hate for you to have melted ice cream because your freezer switched off.

Let us know if you need 24 hour power right away.

TOP TIP

It's hard to "love thy neighbour" when they've plugged in more items than their stand supply allows, thus blowing the fuse to your stand and the entire block of stands you're on. This is the main reason for power outages at shows since all supplies are now tested, it'll be quickly rectified but it's a real pain for you and your fellow exhibitors. So if you're not sure what supply you need; ask!



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