



RULES FOR DEALERS AT GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB, INC. 2024 MARCH PARTY

134th March Party and Exhibition

March 15 – 17, 2024

Best Western Plus – Strongsville, Strongsville, Ohio

1. By signing and submitting the attached Application for Bourse Space, the Dealer accepts all terms and conditions set forth in this document. Written acceptance of the application by Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Inc. (GPSC) creates a legally binding contract for bourse space between the Dealer and GPSC in accordance with the terms herein.
2. GPSC reserves the right to determine who may participate in its bourse. No application will be considered by the Show Committee unless every Dealer (Principal) named in the application is a current dealer member in good standing of one or more of the APS, ASDA, NSDA, or CSDA. (Dealers from outside the U.S. and Canada may request in writing that the Show Committee substitute membership in an equivalent international organization.) The Show Committee may investigate the membership status of any individual named in the application at any time. Expulsion of any individual named in the application from any national or international philatelic society may result in rejection of the application or removal from the bourse. The current maximum number of booth spaces is 40. GPSC maintains a waiting list of dealers for future shows.
3. GPSC bourse space may be used only for dealing in philatelic merchandise and related literature, supplies and equipment by the Dealer to whom the space is assigned. Only merchandise belonging to the Dealer (or *bona fide* consignments) may be sold from the bourse space. **Bourse space may not be transferred or sublet in whole or in part.** The Show Committee may grant permission to share bourse space in limited circumstances at its sole discretion. All Show Committee decisions are final.
4. *Location.* The location of the bourse space, along with all related show activities, shall be the Best Western Plus – Strongsville, 15471 Royalton Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. **DO NOT MAIL CORRESPONDENCE TO THIS ADDRESS.** The hotel is a non-smoking facility. The show room rate for the hotel is \$114; contact 440-238-8800 for reservations if desired.
5. *Show Operating Hours.* Dealers are expected to have their bourse space fully operational and open for business during all hours shown below. **Dealers who do not maintain full operations during the operating hours shown below jeopardize their participation in future March Party bourses.** Exceptions to this rule will be made by the Bourse Chairman only in unusual circumstances.

Show Hours	
Friday, March 15, 2024	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 16, 2024	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 17, 2024	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

6. *Dealer's Badges:* Each bourse space includes a maximum of **two** Dealer's badges. One badge will be issued in the name of the person listed on the application as being in charge of the booth; the second will be issued in the

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name of the person listed as the assistant. If an assistant is not named on the application, a second Dealer's badge will not be issued. The assistant must at all times be working for the booth holder, and not for their own account unless the Show Committee has agreed that the bourse space may be shared. A Dealer badge permits the named individual to enter the bourse area during the hours shown below. Entry at other times is not permitted except by permission of the Bourse Chairman. **Dealer's badges are not transferable, and GPSC reserves the right to refuse a Dealer's badge to any person or incorporated entity.** In case of such refusal, the booth holder will be given the opportunity to name another assistant. Visiting dealers (who must be bona fide dealers, subject to the same requirements as show dealers) may purchase a badge (at \$50) for access during dealer badge admission hours.

Dealer Badge Admission Hours	
Thursday, March 14, 2024	Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Friday, March 15, 2024	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 16, 2024	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 17, 2024	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

7. *Setup and Teardown.* Dealers may arrive to set up starting at noon on Thursday, March 14, and access the show floor until 6:00pm on Thursday; dealers may also arrive prior to 10:00am on Friday, March 15, with notice to the Bourse Co-Chairman. Dealers may move their own material in and out of the show floor; GPSC also uses paid personnel to assist dealers in loading and unloading material.

8. *Fees.* The bourse space fees detailed in the accompanying schedule are not negotiable. Dealers requiring more than one bourse space will pay the sum of the individual spaces. There are no discounts for multiple spaces.

9. *Bourse space payment.* A \$300.00 deposit must be submitted with the signed application. This deposit is not refundable for any reason except those stated below. The entire remaining balance is due on or before March 14, 2024. **No Dealer will be permitted to set up in the bourse until their space fee is paid in full.** Exceptions to this rule are at the discretion of the Bourse Chairman. All checks should be made payable to Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Inc.

10. *Byes.* Occasionally, invited Dealers are unable to participate in the GPSC March Party bourse for personal, family, or medical reasons. Requests for a bye will be given full consideration by the Show Committee and granted whenever possible. If a bye is granted, the Dealer will be required to make next year's \$300.00 deposit in advance to preserve their preferred space and seniority for the following year. Under no circumstances will a bye be granted for more than one consecutive year.

11. *Cancellations, Forfeitures, and Penalties.* Dealers forced to cancel their bourse participation for any reason shall be liable to forfeitures and penalties according to the schedule shown below. Failure to appear on the show floor by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 15, 2024, without advance notice will be deemed a cancellation and charged the appropriate forfeiture and penalty.

Schedule of Cancellations, Forfeitures, and Penalties		
Date of Cancellation	Forfeiture	Penalty
On or before January 1, 2024	\$300.00 deposit	None
January 2 to February 1, 2024	\$300.00 deposit	50% of balance
February 2, 2024 or after	\$300.00 deposit	100% of balance

GPSC will make every reasonable effort to resell the bourse space to a qualified replacement. (In most cases, this can be accomplished when adequate advance notice is given.) If the space is resold, the penalties shown above

will be waived and only the deposit will be forfeited. Any refunds owed by GPSC will be paid when the show accounts are closed out, normally by the end of April. If GPSC is forced to cancel the bourse for any reason, GPSC's liability shall be limited to the return of all payments received as of the date of cancellation, including deposit.

12. *Appearance.* All bourse spaces must be maintained in an orderly and presentable condition and in keeping with the general scheme of the exhibition. All dealers are expected to be appropriately attired.

13. *Hotel Requirement.* Nothing may be posted on, nailed, taped, screwed, or otherwise attached to columns, walls, floors or other parts of the building or rented furniture.

14. *Electric Power.* GPSC will make reasonable efforts to provide 115-volt electric power to each Dealer space, subject to building and fire safety regulations. Dealers are encouraged to bring an extension cord for maximum flexibility in use of their space.

15. *Trash.* GPSC will provide a trash bag each day for your trash. **Dealer must place filled trash bags in the available receptacles in the room at the close of each day.** Hotel maintenance staff will not be permitted to enter any bourse space to collect trash.

16. *Floor Plan.* The March Party is held in a hotel ballroom, with dealer space in the front of the room from primary entrances and exhibits positioned in the rear. The Show Committee will assign booth space, respecting prior Dealer locations as possible. Dealer agrees that booth locations may change for a variety of reasons and that all Show Committee decisions are final. **Tables must not be moved from their original position without the permission of the Bourse Chairman.** All aisles and designated fire exits must remain unobstructed. Any authorized Fire Marshal may inspect the bourse space and hotel at any time. If fines result from a Dealer's unauthorized modifications to the approved floor plan, the full amount of such fines will be charged to that Dealer.

17. *Security.* The show floor will be under 24-hour security supervision from 6:00 p.m. Thursday through 6:00 p.m. Sunday. The hotel parking lot is also monitored, including the use of marked police vehicles. Security measures include the mixed use of armed, uniformed Strongsville police officers and plainclothes security personnel. Possession of firearms on the show floor, except by security personnel, is strictly prohibited.

18. *Show Events.* Booth-holding dealers are welcome and encouraged to visit the GPSC hospitality suite Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings from 8:00pm to midnight, as well as the show's complimentary wine and cheese reception at 6:00pm on Friday. Tickets for the show banquet Saturday night (\$60) may be purchased from the Bourse Chairman on request.

19. *Sales Tax.* The State of Ohio and Cuyahoga County impose sales and use taxes (presently 8.00%) that must be collected on each retail sale. A "retail sale" is a sale made for any purpose other than resale. In-State and Out-of-State Dealers must possess any required vendor permits and file appropriate sales tax reporting forms with the Ohio Department of Taxation in a timely fashion. They are available online at www.tax.ohio.gov. **Dealers are responsible for their own compliance with tax laws.**

20. GPSC is under no obligation to offer bourse space to any Dealer at future shows and cannot guarantee participation at future GPSC shows to any Dealer. This said, preference is ordinarily given to returning dealers and show seniority will be considered in requests for future shows and for dealer location movements year to year. Dealers who do not intend to return for future shows are requested to advise the Show Committee promptly of this decision.

21. In the highly unlikely event of any legal action arising out of or relating to this contract, Dealer consents that the federal, state, and local courts located in the County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, shall have exclusive venue and jurisdiction. Dealer waives the right to any other venue to which it might be entitled by cause of action, domicile, or otherwise.

22. Dealer assumes responsibility and agrees to indemnify and defend Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Inc., the American Philatelic Society, and the Best Western Plus - Strongsville and their respective employees, members and agents against all claims or expenses arising out of the use of the exhibition premises. The Dealer understands that neither GPSC, the American Philatelic Society, nor the Best Western Plus - Strongsville maintain insurance covering the Dealer's property, and it is the sole responsibility of the Dealer to obtain such insurance.

23. Dealer's primary contact for all matters related to the 2024 March Party is:

Matthew Liebson
Bourse Co-Chairman
34554 Bramble Lane
Solon, OH 44139
matthewliebson@gmail.com
216-308-0519



GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB, INC.

2024 MARCH PARTY BOURSE SPACE APPLICATION

134th National Stamp Exhibition
March 15 – 17, 2024
Best Western Plus – Strongsville, Strongsville, Ohio

DEALER INFORMATION*

Name of Firm: _____ Principal: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone(s) – Home: _____ Office: _____ Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____ Web Site URL: _____

Person who will be in charge of our booth at March Party 2024: _____

Assistant(s) who will work at our booth(s): _____

APS dealer member number: _____ ASDA member number: _____

Other dealer organization name and number: _____

*If Show Committee has granted approval for a Shared Space, each dealer should prepare a separate application.

PRIMARY SPECIALTIES

Check (3 maximum) to be published in the March Party 2024 program and garfieldperry.org website:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Airmail | <input type="checkbox"/> Commonwealth | <input type="checkbox"/> New Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Covers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appraisals | <input type="checkbox"/> Confederate | <input type="checkbox"/> Postal Stationery | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Possessions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asia | <input type="checkbox"/> Ephemera | <input type="checkbox"/> Postcards | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Stamps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auctions | <input type="checkbox"/> Expertizing | <input type="checkbox"/> Revenues | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Back of Book |
| <input type="checkbox"/> British/Commonwealth | <input type="checkbox"/> First Day Covers | <input type="checkbox"/> Russia/E. Europe | <input type="checkbox"/> Western Europe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canada | <input type="checkbox"/> Germany/Colonies | <input type="checkbox"/> Supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> Worldwide Classics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cinderellas | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin America | <input type="checkbox"/> Topicals | <input type="checkbox"/> Worldwide Covers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collections/Lots | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Classics | <input type="checkbox"/> Worldwide Stamps |

Other (identify): _____

TABLE DETAILS

Application is for 8' table \$450 _____ 12' table \$650 _____ 16' table \$800 _____

16' Corner booth \$800 _____ (limited)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

To be provided by GPSC:

- ☐ Locking Storage Cabinet (may lose rear table) - \$90
- ☐ Show Program Ad – Please request application (additional fee)
- ☐ Publicity Postcards (Quantity {units of 100}: _____) – Free

ACKNOWLEDGMENT & SIGNATURE

YOUR \$300.00 DEPOSIT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS SIGNED APPLICATION BY DECEMBER 1, 2023, TO RESERVE YOUR BOOTH FOR 2024. This deposit is not refundable for any reason except as stated in the accompanying “Rules for Dealers at Garfield-Perry Stamp Club 2024 March Party.”

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SEND DEPOSIT & APPLICATION TO: Matthew Liebson
March Party 2024 Bourse Co-Chairman
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EMAIL QUESTIONS TO: matthewliebson@gmail.com

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By signing and submitting this application for bourse space, the applicant acknowledges receipt of the document entitled “Rules for Dealers at Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Inc. 2024 March Party” and agrees to be bound by the terms therein. Written acceptance of this application by Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, Inc. (GPSC) will create a legally binding contract for bourse space between the Dealer and GPSC.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB, INC.

DATE