



BRIXPO BUILD GUIDE

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Introduction

BRIXPO is South Australia's largest fan-run LEGO® event. It is a family-friendly celebration of LEGO® and creativity.

Display applications are assessed based on merit, themes, and popularity in order to provide a high-quality exhibition with a variety of displays.

Practical constraints are also considered by the committee – e.g. limited powered locations are available.

The purpose of this guide is to provide insight into the assessment process and practical constraints, to help you create a build with the best chance of successful display.

Although these build guidelines are for BRIXPO they should also be considered when planning builds for any other SBLUG events.

Content Guidelines

The following green/yellow/red light table visually presents the acceptable content guidelines. If your build fits into green, expect no issues regarding content. Some yellow in your build? Modify your build or contact the committee regarding your build. Red in your build? Remove the 'red' content or reconsider your build.

What's the vibe?		
Family friendly, fun, light-hearted	Cheeky, edgier content, or references only adults will get.	Adult-only themes. morbid, disturbing, explicit, offensive
Classification – what rating do you think your build would get?		
G, PG	M	MA15+, R18+
Content Specifics		
LEGO®'s own IP (eg Friends, Ninjago) LEGO® licensed themes (eg. Star Wars, Harry Potter) Local locations & culture Imaginary worlds: fantasy and science-fiction Historical settings & scenes	The following is more likely acceptable if it is not the focus of the build, at minifig or micro scale, and/or is for comedic effect: Religious references including symbols, buildings, or people Nudity (non-sexual) Alcohol Combat scenes Racism, bullying – (builds that oppose these behaviours may be considered) Large or human-scale weapons or weapon replicas, including swords, knives, guns, sci-fi or fantasy blasters. (exception: if LEGO® build it in minifigure scale, upsizing it is fine). If approved these are not to be used in a threatening manner.	Politics and political symbols, campaigns, or movements Sex, drugs, smoking Swearing or profanity Blood/gore, terrorism, explicit horror, or torture including representation of real-life crimes. Death/killing Cruelty to animals Warfare or war vehicles in any modern or present-day situation (last 20 years), or national war memorials

MOC vs SET – how much of the build is official sets?		
All MOC - the whole build is custom, not official LEGO® sets! MOC that is substantially extending official set(s) or contains some official sets - at least 50% custom build	Scene recreations from official LEGO® catalogues or posters Vintage sets in a theme display e.g. showing a full collection of sets in a theme Current/recent set valued at \$1000+ e.g. Millennium Falcon, Titanic, Eiffel Tower.	Recent or current widely available sets Recent or current widely available official sets simply arranged into a scene on baseplates

Using builds that have been displayed previously

To ensure BRIXPO is a fresh experience each year, new builds are ideal, or builds that have been previously displayed should generally be modified or extended by approximately 50%. (Although, very large and impressive builds may occasionally be invited to return.)

Official LEGO® parts

Builds displayed at BRIXPO must generally be constructed of LEGO® products. Exceptions are allowed for certain parts, including: lighting systems, after-market motors (ie motors no longer produced by LEGO®), string and fabric accessories. It's also okay to present your build in a frame or on a simple base or backdrop made of paper or card (etc), as long as they are only a simple background to frame the LEGO® build.

Power

There is an extremely limited number of powered sites available at the venue and there is no guarantee that you will get allocated power. Please be prepared to use powerpacks/batteries to run your build.

Power is not available to charge or run exhibitor's phones, laptops, tablets/ipads or other electronic devices.

Lighting

Adding lighting can enhance a build, illuminating interior spaces, drawing attention to key features, or enhancing a mood. Lighting incorporated into a build should be enhancing the build, not drawing attention to the table.

Most lighting kits have been manufactured to run on batteries and/or power packs. If your build only requires power for lighting, please consider powering your build with them rather than planning on requiring a powered site.

Other special effects

If you would like to include other special effects in your build eg sound, smoke etc please contact the SBLUG committee with details of your request. Please note that we are bound by Health & Safety regulations. If your request is approved, please ensure you have the effects (particularly sound) turned off during the Sensory sessions.

360-Degree set up

A 360-degree build is a build that is designed for optimal viewing from all four sides – it has no 'front' or 'back' side. If you are planning to design for 360-degree please consider the following:

- 1) There are limited 360-degree display sites available with power. It is a strong possibility you will need batteries to power your build.
- 2) You will most likely be seated away from your 360-degree exhibit to keep the surrounding area clear.
- 3) Does your exhibit need viewing from all angles or can it be successfully viewed from a row of tables?

Changes to your build

Your application to exhibit at BRIXPO is approved based upon the information you provide in your initial application. If you make significant changes to your build (eg in size or theme) you must contact the committee as soon as possible to let them know. Please do not assume that you can just bring the changed build.

Build size and required tables

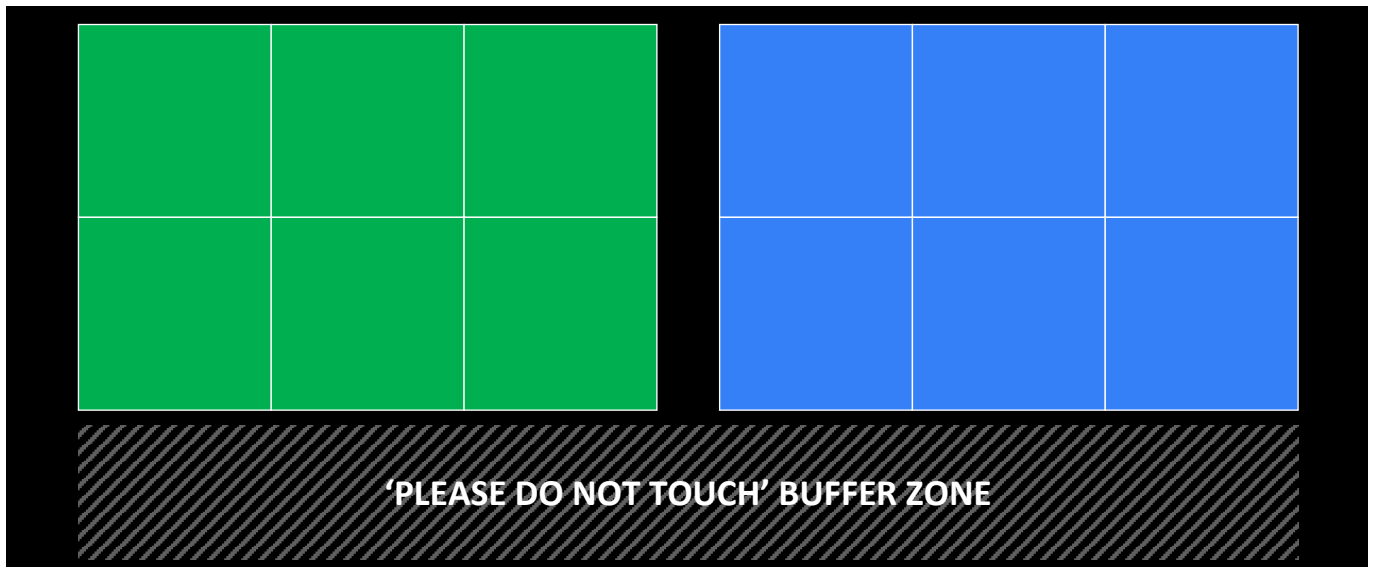
How big is your build? When applying to display your build you will need to specify how many tables are needed to show it. You may wish to consider table sizes when planning the footprint of your build. Following are a few diagrams showing base plate arrangements on standard BRIXPO tables that may help with this:

Standard Expo Table:

Dimensions: 750 x 1800 mm

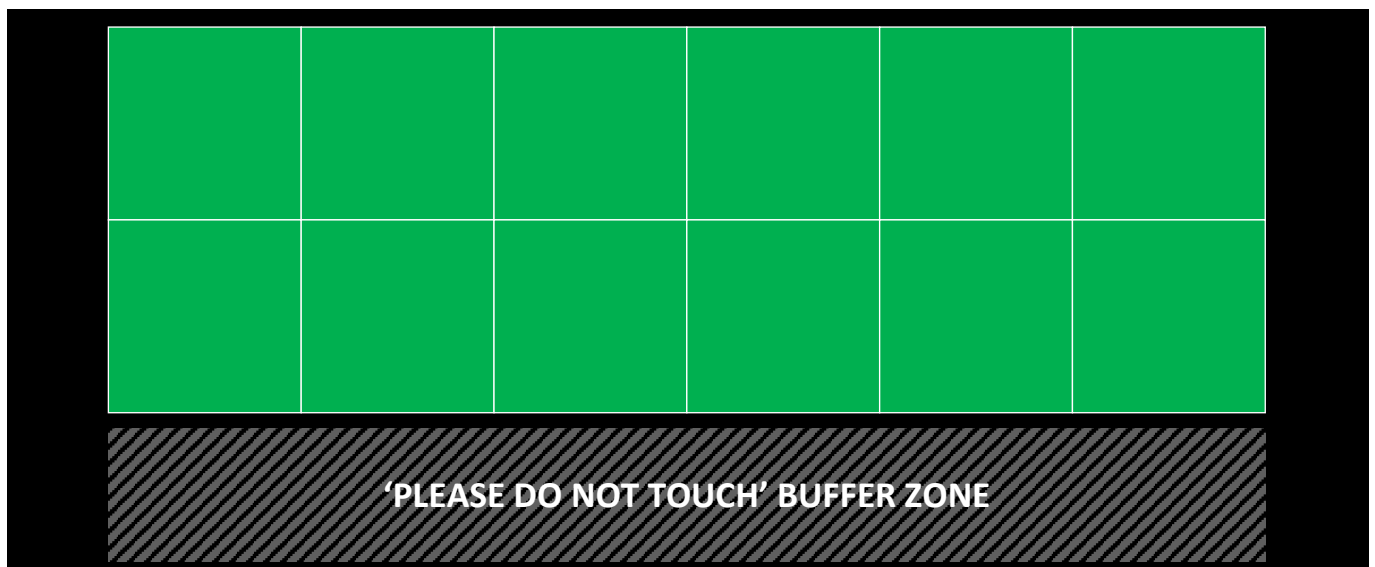
Comfortably Fill Half-Table

3x2 standard 32-stud baseplates



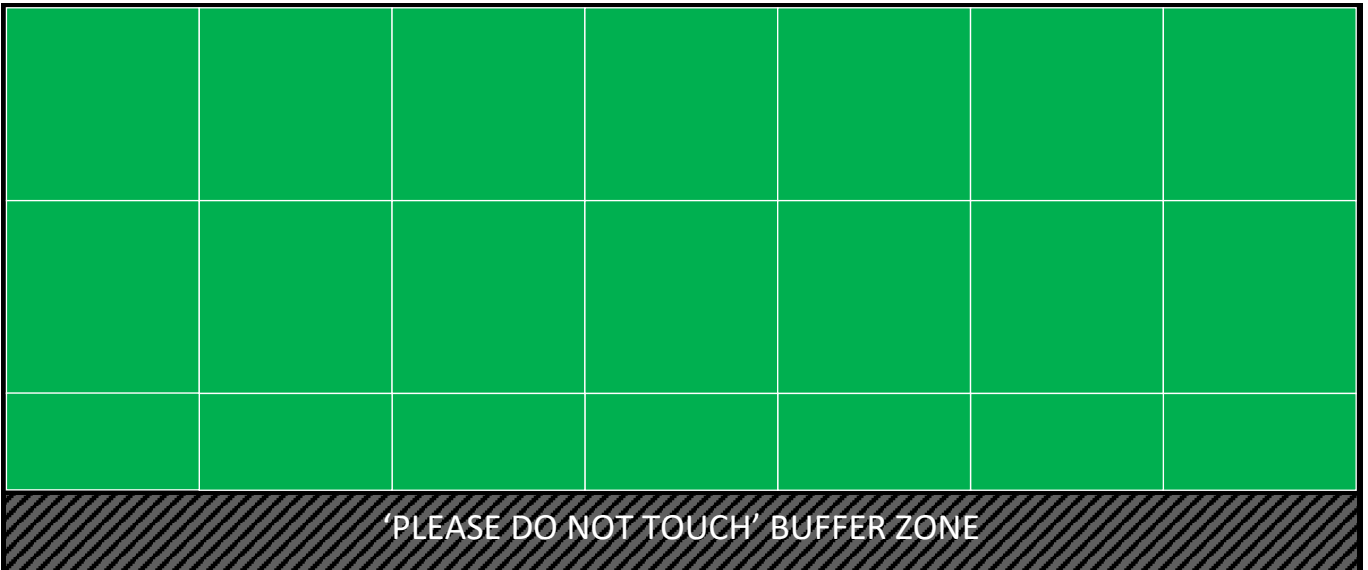
Comfortably Fill One Table

6x2 standard 32-stud baseplates



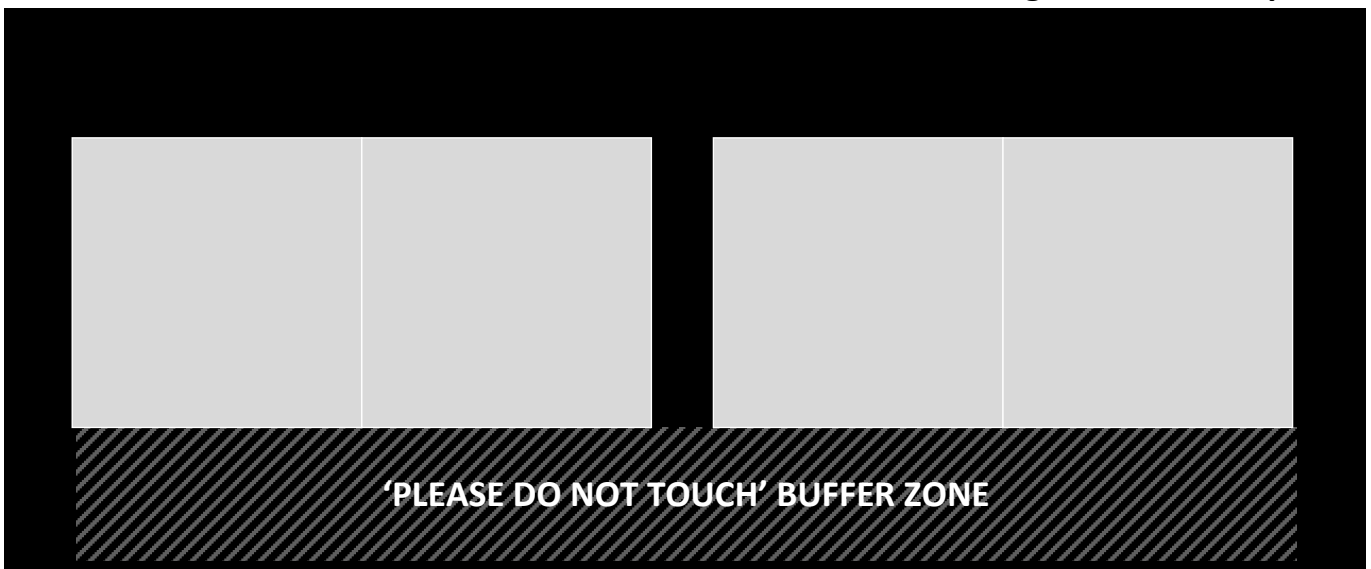
Absolutely Fill One Table

7x2.5 standard 32-stud baseplates



Comfortably Fill Half-Table

2x1 large 48-stud baseplates



360-degree view single table

4x1 large 48-stud baseplates

